



Howden Church of England Infant School

Newsletter 22 - 27th February 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring is in the air, and we've even enjoyed some sunshine in our first week back! It's wonderful to see the children so enthusiastic and ready to learn. We would like to extend a big thank you to Beth, Sophie & Sarah Jade, who led a Deaf Awareness Worship session on Friday. The children learned to sign our Proud of Our School song, and we hope to incorporate this into future sessions.

Next week, we have an exciting event to look forward to: World Book Day! Children are welcome to dress up as their favourite book character or wear their PJs. Both schools will be holding a book breakfast in their school halls from 8:00 to 8:50 am to ensure we have plenty of room for everyone. There will be snacks and book activities available, and we kindly ask for small donations, so please bring some change. All proceeds will go towards adding new books to our library.

Additionally, we will be welcoming visits from Reverend James Little, who has kindly volunteered to be our next Community Reader, and Reverend Joseph Kwallah, who will come in to speak about his faith.

We have chosen our Play Leaders and Worship Squad for this half term, please see below.

It's a jam-packed half term, so please check the key dates further on in our newsletter and on our noticeboard.

Have a lovely weekend!

Chan Amor
Acting Head

Play Leaders Spring Term 2

Zachary C	Sebastian T	Jaxson
Olivia T	Bowen	Bella
Haris	Emmie	

Year 2 Worship Squad Spring Term 2

Miller	Bertie	Bella
Amelia	Matilda	Lucas

What's been happening....

ES2



- It has been wonderful to welcome our Badgers and Foxes back to school this week. Thank you for helping your children to complete the home learning activity. It has been amazing to hear about everything they did during their break.
- We have launched our Big Idea focus this week. The children began by revisiting last term's topic focus on the Arctic. The children have been learning about how Africa is different to England.
- In RE the children have been learning about Spring. The children have also been discussing life cycles.
- In maths, the children have been practising their counting skills.
- This week, we have revisited our school values. We have worked together with the children and discussed how and what our learning should look like in class.

Year 1

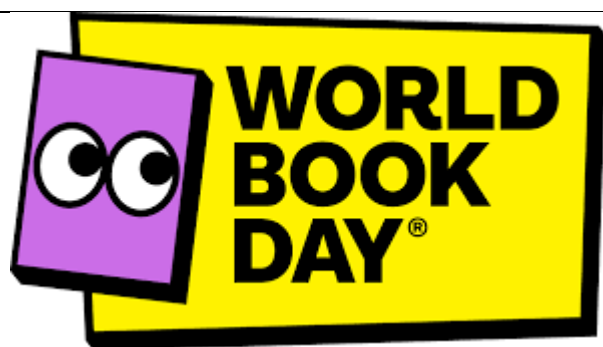


- It has been lovely to see the children back in school this week and listen to their excitement about sunshine and signs of spring.

- They have worked very hard on their reading and maths assessments and showed focus and resilience when answering questions.
- We have started our Big Idea work by locating the United Kingdom on a map of the world and naming its countries and surrounding seas.
- In science, we have identified mammals. In maths, we have partitioned numbers to 20.
- We have enjoyed reading poetry and finding persuasive devices. We have then written a persuasive sentence linked to the poem, including one from the witch in Hansel and Gretel persuading the children to taste her sweets!

Year 2

- This week everyone has worked hard to complete their maths, reading and GPS assessments.
- In addition, we've started to learn about persuasive techniques in writing.
- In maths, the children have started to learn about the structural connections between multiplication and division.
- Our big idea is centred around South Africa, so the children have been locating it on a map and have started to compare it to the UK.



It is world book day on Thursday 5th March. Children are encouraged to dress as their favourite book character or come in their cosiest PJ's! Please bring in your favourite book to read and share.

Book Breakfast

Both HIS and HJS will be starting the day with a Book Breakfast. Join is from 0800 in either the Infant or Junior School Hall for the opportunity to explore a wide range of books, read and have a snack together!

There will be a raffle so please bring some change with you!

Keys Dates Going Forward

Celebration Assemblies

You will be informed by email if your child has been chosen to receive a certificate.

Fridays 0855

Natalie - Schools and Communities	Drop in Session 0830-1000 - Bookable now via Arbor	24 th February
Mastering Numbers at Home - Parent Workshop	Now Bookable via Arbor	Tuesday 3 rd March 0900
World Book Day	Dress as your favourite book character or wear your cosiest PJ's!	Thursday 5 th March
Book Breakfast	Join us for a breakfast snack and a chance to read in school to your child.	0800 - School Hall Thursday 5 th March
SEND Drop in Session	Mrs Brown	Tuesday 17 th March 1030-1200
Parents Evenings	Booking opens soon - expect an email next week!	18 th & 19 th March
Easter Minster Service	Parents Invited	1030 Thursday 19 th March
Stay and Connect Parent/Carer Session	Now fully booked. Look out for another session in summer term	Wednesday 25 th March 0900-1015
Y1 Phonics Screening Info for Parents	Bookable via Arbor	March 25 th 1530
Little Big Sing	The Junction Goole - More details to follow	Thursday 11 th June



Online FREE talk by Jane Keyworth

Anxiety Based School Avoidance

March 26th 7-8pm



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March 2026 Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long

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Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Improving Family Communication	2 Mar 10am
Autism - Improving Communication	2 Mar 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	3 Mar 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	3 Mar 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	9 Mar 10am
Understanding Anger	9 Mar 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	10 Mar 10am
Facing Defiance	10 Mar 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	16 Mar 10am
Anxiety Explained	16 Mar 7pm
Introduction to OCD	17 Mar 10am
What is ACT	17 Mar 7pm
Raising Self-Esteem	23 Mar 10am
Decreasing Depression	23 Mar 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 Mar 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 Mar 7pm
FREE Anxiety Based School Avoidance	26 Mar 7-8pm

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Routines & Rhythms Online Parent/Carer Workshop

Monday 16th March 1 – 3 pm

This workshop covers:

The importance of routines, boundaries and sleep to support children's social, emotional and mental health.

Aims and objectives:

Build a greater understanding of why boundaries, routines and sleep support children's emotional and behavioural development and how to effectively use boundary setting and routines to support children's development.

Book your slot via this EventBrite QR Code:



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