



Howden Church of England Infant School

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Dear Parents and carers,

What a wonderful first week back! The sun has made an appearance and the children have come back refreshed and ready to learn.

Thank you for your support with the launch of our new lunch menu. There is now so much more choice, and more children than ever have ordered school lunches this week.

We have all enjoyed starting the sustainability part of our curriculum and the children have already been courageous advocates on the playground with our litter pickers! They have also been noticing the new insects and signs of summer around them

Thank you to Sarah from Badger and Bean for being our Community Reader this week in worship - our children were absolutely enthralled

Our new headteacher, Antonia Purdue, will be starting with us on Monday and we cannot wait to welcome her into our Howden Infants family.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Chan Amor

Acting Head



TREE TEAM POINTS			
Birch	Chestnut	Oak	Sycamore
			
310	317	301	298

What's been happening....

FS2



- It has been wonderful to welcome the children back to school.
- We have begun exploring the Big Idea with the children. They have been sharing with us their knowledge about creatures that live in the ocean. We have been talking about how we can look after our planet.
- In maths, we have been practising our counting skills.
- In RE, we have been talking about things that are precious to us.
- We were excited to welcome our class caterpillars to school. We will be learning the story of the Hungry Caterpillar in our Talk For Writing Sessions.

Year 1



- We have had a super week back at school with Year 1.

- In writing, we have found clues that a visitor has visited our school grounds. Could it be a Tree Giant? We have started to read and write facts about this enormous creature.
- In maths, we have measured mass and capacity using practical equipment.
- We have launched our Big Idea by travelling back through the decades to the 1950s. We have found evidence from photographs of the High Street to show that they were taken in the past.
- We have also looked at rubbish and sorted it into groups. We discovered that the most common material for the rubbish collected was plastic.

Year 2



- We've had a busy first week back in year two.
- In writing, we have found clues that a visitor has visited our school grounds. Could it be a Giant? We've started to learn about our mystery guest and learn our model text.
- In maths we've continued to learn about efficient strategies for subtraction.
- We've also started to learn about our big idea.



Big Talk takes place in school next week - please check your email for more details.

Please continue to discuss food choices with your children, it is really helpful if they know what they want!



Keys Dates Going Forward

Celebration Assemblies	You will be informed by email if your child has been chosen to receive a certificate.	Fridays 0855
Big Talk	Whole School	Wednesday 22 nd April
Natalie Sinderson - Family Help Drop in	Bookable Via Arbor	Tuesday 28 th April 0840-1000
Class Photographs		Thursday 7 th May
FS2 School Trip	The Deep	Monday 11 th May
Natalie Sinderson - Family Help Drop in	Bookable Via Arbor	Tuesday 12 th May 0840-1000
Little Big Sing	The Junction Goole - More details to follow	Thursday 11 th June
Sports Day	More details to follow	Thursday 18 th June
Natalie Sinderson - Family Help Drop in	Bookable Via Arbor	Tuesday 23 rd June 0840-1000
Sports Day Reserve		Thursday 25 th June

COMEDY FESTIVAL
SATURDAY 30 MAY 2026

POCKLINGTON ARTS CENTRE

Marcel Lucont: Les Enfants Terribles
—A Gameshow For Awful Children
4.00pm | £16 Adult / £12 Child/Under 25

Marcel Lucont presents a wild family gameshow, in which kids get to be pests, politicians and pétomanes to be crowned the most awful child of the day.

See what happens when international insouciance meets infantile exuberance.

A big hit at Edinburgh Fringe and many other festivals, the multi-award-winning comic channels his acerbic humour and quickfire wit into a series of tasks for the younger generation, which is every bit as entertaining for adults as it is for children.

"An absolute gem... If you don't have kids, borrow someone else's... a treat from beginning to end"
—★★★★★ Edinburgh Festivals magazine

"A real highlight of Edinburgh Fringe for the entire Horne family. Très funny"
—Alex Horne, Taskmaster

Darryl J Carrington: Out of the Box
2.00pm | £16 Adult / £12 Child/Under 25

Out of the Box is a multi-award-winning family show delighting audiences across the UK; an hour of joyful chaos, jaw-dropping skill, and irresistible fun.

Fresh from five-star success at the Edinburgh Fringe and being named Best Family Show at Brighton Fringe, Darryl J Carrington transforms everyday objects into extraordinary adventures. A toothbrush stars in a balancing act, a string sparks a heist, and a tea party lands on someone's head!

With over 20 years of circus and clowning experience, Darryl's silent comedy blends world-class juggling, inventive physical theatre, and heartwarming audience interaction. His humour transcends age and language, captivating children, parents, and grandparents alike.

"Chaotic and hugely enjoyable"
—★★★★★ London Theatre.com

"What an utterly absorbing, charming and great fun show this is... his crowd control is sublime."
—★★★★★ The Scotsman

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FREE

PICNIC IN THE PARK

Sunday 21st June 12-4.30pm
The Ashes Playing Field

- Children's activities
- Food stalls
- Live music
- Entertainers
- FREE!

Don't miss our Raffle and Tombola on the Day – funds raised go to SHaKE and the Ashes.

Please note: No BBQs or parking onsite

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The East Riding Mental Health Support Team invite you to a special **Parent Transition Workshop**, delivered by our **Mental Health Support Team (MHST)**. This session is designed to help you support your child as they navigate key school transitions, whether they are moving into a new year group, preparing for secondary school, or adjusting to changes in routine.

 What the workshop will cover

- Understanding how transitions can affect children's wellbeing
- How to support your child during transitions

 **Date:** 21/5/26

 **Time:** 9:30am-11am

 **Location:** Online- via event brite

(<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/1985734734044?aff=oddtcreator>)

This workshop is friendly, supportive and open to all parents and carers. If you would like to attend, please sign up via the link.