



# Hawes Side Academy

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20th December 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a long and very busy term and all the children and staff have worked incredibly hard. It was lovely to finish the term with our wonderful Y2 nativity play 'Midwife in Crisis' and our Elf Run on the final day; all the children and staff took part with great enthusiasm. We also said sad farewells to Miss Chloe Marsden and Mrs Lisa Davies on Friday as both are leaving us to follow new career paths. Both will be greatly missed and we wish them well in their new ventures.

When we come back in January I am pleased to announce that we have appointed a Health Support Worker. Many of you may already know Miss Natasha Hinds as she currently works in school. If you would like to share any medical concerns about your child Miss Hinds will be the person to contact. She has already been liaising with staff so that she is aware of children's current medical conditions but if you would like to make an appointment to meet with her she will be more than happy to meet with you.

I would like to finish by thanking you all so much for your continued support and would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and we look forward to seeing you in 2020!



Mrs C Boothroyd  
Principal

ELF Runs – All of our children enjoyed taking part in our elf runs on the last day. We have raised over **£380** in sale of the hats alone! Well done and thank you to everyone involved.



**School APP**- Getting a new device over christmas? Don't forget to download our new APP to receive all of our whole school messages.

**Calendar** – To access our school calendar please log on to our website at <https://www.hawes-side.co.uk/calendar>, click on the 'our parents' tab and the side tab 'calendar'. If there are any unforeseen changes to these dates, we will endeavour to give you as much notice as possible.

**Castlehead Trips** - You should now have received a text to advise if your child has been allocated a place on the trips in the new year. Those who have not been successful this time have been placed on a reserve list.

**School Admissions – September 2020: DEADLINE APPROACHING**

**Primary Applications** – If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, you must apply for a Primary School Foundation Stage place for September 2020. Closing date for applications – **15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**.

If you live in Blackpool (pay council tax to Blackpool) you need to apply for a school place on-line at: [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions).

Before you complete and submit your application you are advised to read Blackpool Council's guide for parents at: [www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions](http://www.blackpool.gov.uk/schooladmissions).

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!  
For our Open Day events please see flyer at end of this newsletter.

**Hawes Side Academy Website** – Don't forget to visit our website to see all of our latest news see: [www.hawes-side.co.uk/news](http://www.hawes-side.co.uk/news)

**Attendance** – week ending 20th December 2019

Best Key Stage 1 class attendance	2H	97.2%
Best Key Stage 2 class attendance	3H	98.8%
Most punctual Key Stage 1 class	RA/RS/1A/2A	3 late arrivals
Most punctual Key Stage 2 class	4A/5H	1 late arrival
Whole school attendance for the week		94.1%
Number of pupils late at least once during the week		73

It is expected that all schools will remain above 96.2% and, as you can see, we are below this level this week. Please make every effort to get your children into school as poor attendance is not only a barrier to progress but can leave the children with large gaps in their learning that can be very difficult to fill.  
Congratulations to those pupils who achieved 100% attendance this term and to those who received a prize in the 100% attendance draw.

**Diary Dates – 2019/2020**

**Dates of events for the next half term (please see calendar for the full year plan)**

*School opens – Spring Term 2020 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020*

*School closes – Spring Half Term 2020 – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
(Foundation Stage, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15pm)*

*(Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 @ 3:20pm)*

*School opens – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020*

*School closes for Easter – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020  
(Whole school @ 2:00pm)*

*School opens – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020*

*May Day – School closed – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2020*

*School closes for Summer Half Term 2020 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020  
(Foundation Stage, Yrs 1 & 2 @ 3:15pm)  
(Yrs 3, 4, 5 & 6 @ 3:20pm)*

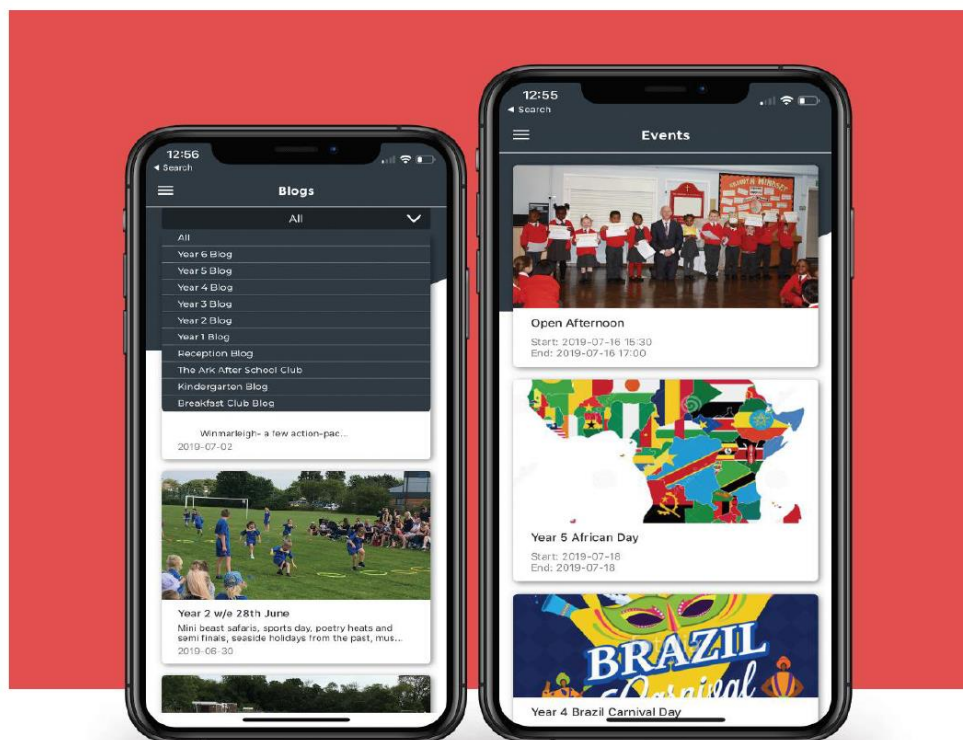
*School opens – Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020*

*School closes for Summer – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020*

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**Term Dates – 2020/2021**

	<b>School Closes</b>	<b>School Opens (8.50 am)</b>
<b>Autumn Terms 2020 starts</b>		<b>Wednesday 2 September 2020</b>
<b>Teacher Training Inset Day</b>	<b>Thursday 1 October 2020</b>	<b>Monday 5 October 2020</b>
<b>Autumn Half Term 2020</b>	<b>Friday 23 October 2020 (Foundation, Yrs 1 &amp; 2 @ 3.15 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, &amp; 6 @ 3.20 pm)</b>	<b>Monday 2 November 2020</b>
<b>Christmas 2020</b>	<b>Thursday 17 December 2020 (Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</b>	<b>Monday 4 January 2021</b>
<b>Spring Half Term 2021</b>	<b>Friday 12 February 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1 &amp; 2 @ 3.15pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, &amp; 6 @ 3.20 pm)</b>	<b>Monday 22 February 2021</b>
<b>Easter Break 2021</b>	<b>Friday 26 March 2021 (Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</b>	<b>Wednesday 7 April 2021</b>
<b>May Day 2021</b>	<b>Friday 30 April 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1 &amp; 2 @ 3.15 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, &amp; 6 @ 3.20 pm)</b>	<b>Tuesday 4 May 2021</b>
<b>Summer Half Term 2021</b>	<b>Friday 21 May 2021 (Foundation, Yrs 1 &amp; 2 @ 3.15 pm) (Yrs 3, 4, 5, &amp; 6 @ 3.20 pm)</b>	<b>Monday 7 June 2021</b>
<b>Summer 2021</b>	<b>Tuesday 20 July 2021 (Whole school @ 2.00 pm)</b>	

# Introducing our new App...



Here at Hawes Side Academy we now have our very own App! This can be downloaded on both apple and android devices and is a great way to keep up to date with everything going on at school.

Through the app you can access the school calendar, latest news and announcements, which will come to your device as notifications. All of which we hope will help to support communication with our school community and keep everyone up to date!

The App is free to download and easy to use. Simply search for 'Hawes Side Academy' in the App Store or Play Store and download to get started. That's it you are ready to go!

We hope you find the new app useful.



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