

# Endsleigh Holy Child VC Academy



Headteacher Mrs. E Barrs  
Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025



Our Headteacher, Mrs Barrs, remains absent from school and will not be returning after the half-term break. We continue to keep her in our thoughts and send her our love and very best wishes. Thank you for your understanding and support during this time. We will be in touch to share further information when it is available. Many thanks to Mr Guthrie for stepping up whilst Mrs Barrs is away.

The Trust central education team, including Mrs Adams, Mrs Stead and Mrs McEvoy will also be supporting the school next half term.

Dear parents,

Flourishing Through Humility

As we reach the end of a busy and productive half term, it's wonderful to see how our whole school community is truly 'Flourishing for God is With Us'. This week's gospel reading provides a perfect reflection for us all as we prepare for a well-earned break.

The story Jesus tells contrasts two men praying: a Pharisee and a Tax Collector. The Pharisee prayed proudly, thanking God he wasn't like "other people," especially the nearby tax collector. He focused on his own good deeds. The tax collector, however, stood at a distance, humbly bowing his head and simply asking, "God, have mercy on me, for I am a sinner." Jesus concluded that it was the tax collector, the one who humbled himself, who was right with God.

This powerful message reminds us that true flourishing in God's eyes doesn't come from comparing ourselves to others or boasting about our achievements. Instead, it comes from a place of humble gratitude and an honest recognition of our need for God's grace. It's a call for us to practice gentleness and respect for everyone, knowing that we all walk our own paths.

We've certainly seen tremendous effort this half term. Our Year 6 pupils, in particular, deserve a special mention. They've returned full of stories and tired smiles from their adventurous residential trip. They showed incredible resilience and teamwork, and we couldn't be prouder of how they represented our school.

Now, as we head into this half-term break, let's all take a moment to reflect on the blessings we have received and approach these coming days with energy, patience, and the spirit of humility shown by the Tax Collector. Please do encourage your children to rest, play, and reflect on their own flourishing over the past weeks.

We hope you all have a restful and refreshing week off.

God bless.

## Parking

Please be considerate when parking around school. If you have a blue badge, you still need to make sure you are not causing an obstruction. As you know, the bus carrying our children back from the swimming baths was blocked every day this week despite us asking parents via email not to block the road. The bus will be dropping off wb 3/11 as well. If you park on the double yellow lines on the bend the bus cannot get through. If you mount the pavement, you are putting people (including our pupils) at risk. Local residents have informed the police following recent incidents. Please be mindful when parking and help keep our community safe.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Y4 Swimming Lessons 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> November

Autumn Half Term – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025 until on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Great Athletes Event

Christmas Fair 3<sup>rd</sup> December

Christmas Disco 4<sup>th</sup> December

KS2 Hull Truck theatre visit Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December

KS1 visiting theatre performance Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December

**Christmas Music Concert 10<sup>th</sup> December 2pm Please note the change of date**

School Closes for Christmas on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December and re-opens on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January

Spring Half Term – Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February – Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

Easter Holiday – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

May Bank Holiday – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May

Summer Half Term – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Close for the Summer Holiday

## Appeal

If you have any unwanted jig-saws for children under 5 we would very much appreciate them for our after school club. We would also appreciate donations of small cars and small dinosaurs.



# **BONFIRE NIGHT**

## **5TH NOVEMBER 2025**



### **OPTION 1**

**BONFIRE BANGER HOTDOG AND WEDGES**

### **OPTION 2**

**FIRECRACKER VEGGIE HOTDOG AND WEDGES**

### **ON THE SIDE**

**PEAS AND SWEETCORN OR BAKED BEANS**

### **DESSERTS**

**CAMPFIRE ORANGE  
SPONGE CAKE**





# CELEBRATE SAFELY



*Hi there!*

I'm Frankie Fire Dog, and I want to remind you that staying safe is just as important as having fun this autumn, especially as the nights get darker and we get ready for exciting events like Halloween and Bonfire Night.

## REMEMBER

Bonfire Night isn't a time to burn old stuff or rubbish. Make sure to recycle or use the bins at home to get rid of it the right way!

## MORE ADVICE

[humbersidefire.gov.uk](http://humbersidefire.gov.uk)

**Check social media for local Halloween and Bonfire Night events.**

## Dark NIGHTS

Stay safe by sticking with at least two friends or family. Bring a torch, keep your phone charged, and wear something reflective so drivers can see you!

## Firework SAFETY

It's easier to take the hassle out of organising your own event and go to an organised firework display. But if you are using fireworks at home, carefully follow the instructions. Never return to a firework once it's lit, even if it seems to have malfunctioned. Always stand well back and keep others at a safe distance.

## Children in Need

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November non uniform day in return for a £1 donation, more information to follow.



## Designated Roles

SENCO/Safeguarding Lead – Mr. J Fox

Assistant Head – Mr. J. Guthrie

EYFS Lead – Mrs. J Leach