

Happy New Year! We hope that 2014 is as happy and successful as 2013. Looking back, I wonder how we managed to fit so much into last year:- farewell to Mrs Batty, federation, hello to Miss Rogers, 150th celebrations, hello to Mr Kumar, Harvest celebrations, Siams Church Inspection and the Christmas service! Of course this does not include daily school life, clubs, trips and sporting fixtures, in fact everything that makes up a busy primary school.

WELCOME

This term we welcome Charlie Hudson into the Juniors. Charlie is a Year 3 and we hope he settles well and is very happy at Warthill.

GOVERNORS

We have a vacancy for a new Warthill parent governor. As we are federated with Sand Hutton CE Primary School any new governor becomes part of the governing body which governs both schools. It is an important role as governors have responsibility for the finance, premises and health and safety of the schools but essentially for ensuring high standards of attainment and achievement are maintained. The staff and I work in close partnership with our governors who, as volunteers, give freely of their time. We value their contribution greatly. During preparation for federation NYCC recognised our governing body as one of the best they had worked with, a very fitting tribute.

Details of how to nominate potential parent governor candidates will be issued shortly. If more than one nomination is received elections will be held. Any parents who would like more information or would like to discuss the role further please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mrs Janet Wardell	Headteacher
Mrs Elaine Liston	Teacher Governor
Mrs Rebekah Desport	Parent Governor
Mrs Sue Scott	Parent Governor
Mrs Ann Spetch	LEA Representative
Mrs Helen Lyall	Foundation Governor appointed by the Diocesan Board of Education
Mrs Elizabeth Wilson	Foundation Governor appointed by the Diocesan Board of Education
Mr Peter Stott	Co-opted Governor
Mrs Sue Scott	Parent Governor
Mrs Sharna Fraser	Co-opted Governor
Vacancy	Parent Governor (W)
Vacancy	Parent Governor (SH)

THE FRIENDS

The Friends had a very successful 2013 both by fund raising and providing social occasions for children and families. Please look out for dates of future meetings – everyone is welcome.

Thank you again to Angie Teasdale who has acquired matched funding for the amount raised at our Christmas Fair. Aviva has therefore donated £725 to the school through their work place funding scheme. This is fabulous – thank you to Angie and Aviva!

NEWS FROM AMERICA

We have received lovely cards and photographs from the Malloy family (Andrew and William) who left us last summer to live in Boston. They look as if they have grown considerably and are enjoying skiing lessons to make the most of the snowy winter weather. They all look and sound very well.

Very best wishes

JMWardell

Dates for Your Diary

Sharing Assembly 9.00 a.m.

8 January
22 January
5 February
26 February
12 March
26 March
3 April – Sharing Service Holtby Church 2 p.m. Details to follow
30 April
21 May
11 June
25 June
9 July

7 January	Return to School
12 February	Junior Visit to York Minster
14 February	Break up
24 February	Return to School
19-21 March	Y5 Residential Visit to Robinwood
25 March	Parents Evening – Juniors
26 March	Parents Evening - Infants and Juniors
3 April	Easter Service Holtby Church, 2. p.m.
4 April	Break up
23 April	Return to School
5 May	May Day Holiday
12-16 May	SAT week
23 May	Break up
3 June	Return to School
11 July	Reports Out
22 July	Break Up

Further details will be sent nearer the date