



# Quay News



Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2017  
VALUE OF THE MONTH: DETERMINATION

Welcome to this week's newsletter. If you have any questions or concerns, please see myself or Mrs Broadhead on the playground.

## Attendance

Although there was an improvement in attendance initially, there seems to have been a dip since returning to school after half term and we have fallen short of the national target this week. The Educational Welfare Officer will be involved with all families who have attendance of 90% or below but families whose attendance falls below 94% with no signs of improvement may receive a phone call from either myself or Mrs Ridsdale alerting you to the drop in attendance

## World Book Day

Check out the Free Press Website with more amazing photographs.



Picture by Paul Atkinson

## Uniform

Thank you to all the parents who have bought new shoes and school trousers for their children to be in line with our uniform policy. The children look smarter and they say they are feeling more prepared for school. I know it is not always easy to change what your child wears during the school year so it is very much appreciated.

## Holidays during term time

Unfortunately, Head-teachers in the East Riding are not allowed to authorise any holidays during school time. The Local Authority will fine families £60 per child, per parent for a week or more holidays. Although you are required to complete a school holiday form from the office and I do read all forms, I am unable to authorise any of the holidays unless extreme circumstances.

## Children supervision on playgrounds

Please can I remind you that children in Foundation, Years 1 and 2 should not be left on the playground unsupervised at the beginning and end of the school day. The children in these year groups should be actually handed over to a member of the school staff and a member of staff will hand them back at the end of the day.



## David Ross Education Trust Inspection



On Friday, 3 Inspectors from our Academy Chain came to inspect Quay Academy and I am delighted to share some of their findings:

- Writing is a real strength in the school- children write at length and care about their presentation.
- Attitudes towards learning are positive- the children are focussed and engaged during lessons.
  - Pupils are polite and treat others with respect.
- The Principal wants what is best for the children and the community and is prioritising teaching and learning in the school.
- The children say that since the new Principal and Vice Principal have started, behaviour has really improved.
  - Fantastic relationships between staff and children with high expectations being modelled