



NEWSLETTER

15/10/21

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This half term seems to have gone very quickly. It doesn't seem long ago that we welcomed some rather apprehensive 4 year olds to the school. They are now well established and are attending assemblies and becoming quite independent. I have been observing the teachers this week and have seen some wonderful lessons: Reception are immersed in 'Funny Bones' with all kinds of skeletons featuring around the room; Y1/2 were using a wonderful book 'Who's our new teacher?' to learn about adjectives; Mr Travers was explaining to Y3/4 about states of matter in science and Y5/6 were beginning detailed non-chronological reports based on 'Pandora' - a fictional moon. It was lovely to see such a range of lessons from our talented teachers and see how eager our pupils are to learn.

HARVEST

The school will be having a Harvest Service led by Kate Davidson of St James' Church, Denton Holme on Thursday 21st October. This will take place in school. In previous years we have collected quite a substantial amount of non-perishable food which goes to the foodbank at St James'. As you can imagine, the need this year is as great as ever, so if you are able to donate any tins or packets of food please bring these to school during next week. We will arrange these in a display ready for Kate's visit and these will then be collected by the Church at the end of the week.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

The children will have brought back various proofs of photos for ordering from Tempest this week. They should be ordered online.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE/ACTIVITIES

Before School Care is running each day. A booking form is attached to this newsletter. Whilst a printed copy can be provided, an email (admin@cummersdale.cumbria.sch.uk) or phone call will be ok. The after school activities for next half term have been sent home today. Yoga, cooking and gymnastics are two new activities, with football and film club continuing.

LUNCH MENU

This has also been sent home today with meal choices for next term. Please return by Monday 18th October.

HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

All the children in school took part in the House Cross Country Races. The infants ran on a course around the school grounds with Noah Jesse and Thea Clarke winning their races. The Juniors ran on a course around Cummersdale Holmes with Luke Dodd and Jessica Evans leading the field home. When all the positions were added up, Skiddaw were crowned this year's cross-country champions. Well done everybody!

CROSS-COUNTRY - SHEEPMOUNT

A number of children will be taking part in an inter school cross-country event at The Sheepmount next Wednesday. Those involved will have received a letter. Good luck to all.

CSLR

Just to inform you that there is an information exhibition at Carlisle Racecourse from 10am - 7pm on Tuesday 19th October. This will give information about the new Carlisle Southern Link Road from Peter Lane to the M6.

CARLISLE UNITED v FOREST GREEN ROVERS

Forty five children and parents attended the match at Carlisle United. Unfortunately, our support didn't help Carlisle who lost and are now looking for a new manager. However, it is rumoured that the club took record takings for refreshments that day! Thanks to all the parents who helped on a damp day.

GOVERNANCE

The school has held its first full governors' meeting and meeting of the school improvement sub-committee. We meet three times a year as a full governing body with sub committees for school improvement and resources and aim to keep the school continually moving forward gaining the best outcomes for pupils. The governing body currently comprises of 10 governors who are:

Claire Little - Chair of Governors (co-opted),

Sarah Dickinson - Vice Chair of Governors (parent)

Lorna Bell (parent)

Gail Mounsey (parent)

James Johnston (parent)

Mark Wilson (LA)

Flo Bell (co-opted)

Fay Scott (co-opted)

Philippa Wakefield (Staff)

Gareth Jones (ex officio)

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

This week's **Pupil of the Week** is **India Maxwell (Y2)** for going above and beyond with extra research and projects done at home to do with her school work. Last week's winner was **Sadie-Ann Lucock (Y1)** for her enthusiasm during Read, Write, Inc. which has certainly helped her reading improve. The winner of this week's **Mrs Vickers Kindness Cup** is **Emma-Rose Vince (Y4)** for her politeness which has been noticed by several adults around school. Last week's winner was **Peyton Jesse (Y4)** for a determined attitude both in and out of the classroom.

The Enjoy-a-ball trophy goes to **Luke Dodd (Y6)** for his effort and interest in running during running club. Last week it was awarded to **Logan Murdoch (Y4)** for his positive attitude to cross-country and determination to beat others.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

20/10/21	Cross Country (Y3 – 6) at The Sheepmount (10am)
22/10/21	Finish for Half Term
1/11/21	New Half Term begins
10/11/21	Parents Evening
11/11/21	Y5/6 Trip to the Life Centre and Hindu Temple, Newcastle (See letter sent home today)
19/11/21	EFL Football Cup (Y5/6), Soccerworld
22/11/21	Literacy Week
24/11/21	No Pens Day
29/11/21	Sports Hall Athletics, Harraby (Y5/6)
2/12/21	Rec, Y1, Y2 Pantomime Trip to the Theatre Royal, Newcastle
8/12/21	Christmas Dinner
9/12/21	Y3-6 Pantomime Trip to the Theatre Royal, Newcastle
15/12/21	Christmas Party
16/12/21	End of Term (1.15pm)

More dates will be added throughout the term