



NEWSLETTER

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MOVING UP DAY & STAFF NEWS

On Monday 3rd July, Y6 children will visit their new secondary schools for the day with destinations being Caldew, Nelson Thomlinson, Morton and William Howard this year. The secondary schools should have sent all the information needed directly to parents. We will welcome 12 new pupils into Reception on Monday afternoon whilst all other pupils will 'move up' to spend the afternoon in their new classes.

For information, most staff will remain in the same classes next year:

Mrs Scott will teach Reception, supported by Mrs Park-Russell

Mrs Barratt will teach Y1/2, supported by Mrs Haughan

Mr Travers will teach Y3/4 supported by Mrs Sharp

Mrs Wakefield will teach Y5/6 supported by Miss Davy (Wed - Fri)

Miss Breare will begin her maternity leave at the start of next year.

Abbie Reay, a former pupil, will be joining the school as a teaching assistant apprentice working in Y5/6 and throughout the rest of the school.

After nine successful years at the school, Mrs Haughan has been promoted to a Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA).

REPORTS & RESULTS

The reports will be issued on Tuesday 11th July. This will enable the school to include the KS2 SATs results for Y6 which are issued first thing on that day. Following moderation, various other results are known already from the statutory tests and some of the highlights are as follows:

In Year 6, writing results are good with 60% of pupils achieving the expected standard with 20% achieving the standard with greater depth. In Y4, the school achieved its highest ever average mark in the Multiplication Tables Test (MTT) of 21.7 out of 25. At KS1 Maths is again strong with 76% of children achieving the required standard with reading and writing not far behind. There has been an improvement in Y1 Phonics results with 79% achieving the expected standard. In Reception, 65% of children in Reception gained a good level of development.

Well done to all the children for doing so well and thank you, as always, to the teaching staff for helping prepare the children effectively for the various tests.

During the next two weeks, the children in most year groups will be taking end of year NFER assessments. These are to help us monitor children's progress and adapt planning accordingly if necessary.

We will be sending books and various pieces of work home by Friday 14th July. Children will not need to bring in their book bags for the last three days of term.

NATIONAL EDUCATION UNION - INDUSTRIAL ACTION

The NEU are staging Industrial Action with strike days scheduled for Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July. It is anticipated that Cummersdale School will continue to run as normal during these days.

Y1/2 TRIP TO NORTH LAKES WILDLIFE PARK

Children from Y1/2 will be visiting the North Lakes Wildlife park on **Wednesday 5th July**. Uniform is not required and lunch is provided by school.

CLASS ASSEMBLY

Y1/2 will be performing a mini version of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' as their class assembly on **Friday 7th July at 9.00am**. As always, parents, family and friends are all welcome.

Y5/6 PRODUCTION – PIRATES OF THE CURRY BEAN

Tickets have gone on sale for the Y5/6 musical which will take place at Caldew School's Performing Arts Theatre on **Thursday 13th July**. 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' is a swashbuckling tale of Piracy on the high seas. There are two performances: 1.15pm and 6.30pm. If any of our school community want to attend, tickets are priced £2 and are available from the office.

SPORTS DAY

Sports day will take place on **Friday 14th July**. The children will carry out a series of sporting challenges in the morning and will take part in more traditional races in the afternoon. On this day, children should come to school in their PE kits. Bibs in house colours will be worn in the afternoon.

Parents are more than welcome to attend in the afternoon with races starting at **1.15pm**. Please do not arrive earlier than 1pm as the children are still on playtime.

LEAVERS LUNCH AND DINNERS

The children in Year 6 have chosen the lunch for the whole school. This will take place on **Tuesday 18th July** and be a picnic buffet comprising of a variety of sandwiches and savoury snacks. There will be the popular Australian Crunch for pudding along with other choices. If your child fancies this instead of a packed lunch, just let the office know.

There will also be a change of menu on the final day of term with the normal roast dinner being replaced with a lunch similar to the previous day.

ACTIVITIES DAY - MONDAY 17th JULY

On this day, the children will choose a number of interesting activities to do throughout the day. These range from activities such as using Hama Beads and playing Bingo to Creative Chemistry and Gardening. Uniform is not required on this day.

SUMMER SPLASH - MONDAY 17th JULY

Activity day will come to an end with the 'Summer Splash'. Children should bring in water pistols (any shape and size – bigger the better) in the morning. Towards the end of the day they are let loose onto the

field - very few children stay dry! Tables will be placed at the front door and the back door before school and water pistols should be left here labelled with names (labels will be provided if this is not done). These will be then filled in readiness for the start of the water fight later in the day. A change of clothes, either to wear during the event or get changed into afterwards, and a towel are strongly recommended on this day.

HOUSE ROUNDERS AND ACTION ANTS SPORTS - TUESDAY 18th JULY

The Juniors will all take part in House Rounders during the morning with Y6 taking on the staff too. In the afternoon Lee from Action Ants will organise a special afternoon of activities for Reception, Y1 and Y2 which will end with a water activity, A change of clothes, either to wear during the event or get changed into afterwards, and a towel are strongly recommended on this day. On this day, all children should come in PE Kit.

LEAVERS ASSEMBLY AND PRIZE GIVING

Our leavers' assembly will take place on **Wednesday 19th July at 9.00am** in the hall. Y6 will share with you their experiences and memories of school as well as treating you to some dances and a song or two. It should last about 45 minutes or so. There will also be various presentations to children throughout the school. Parents, friends and families, especially those of Y6 children are welcome to attend.

All children should wear uniform on this day, with Y6 children bringing something to change into for the afternoon.

School finishes after a short gathering in the hall where we round off the year for all at **1.15pm**. Y6 will then be heading off to Fusion by minibus.

RATLINGATE Y4 RESIDENTIAL

After walking 4.5 miles to Ratlingate along The Hadrian's Wall Path, it was hoped that the fourteen Y4 children would be tired. However, they had numerous games in the woods, games of rounders and a campfire all on a beautiful evening before retiring to bed (eventually!). It was a great overnight experience and enjoyed by all.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND CARE

The last week of after school clubs is next week, the week beginning 3rd July with the last activity being rounders on Friday 7th July. In the last week and a half of term before and after school care runs as normal. There is no after school care on Wednesday 19th July.

STREET TAG

A new season of Street Tag has started and we are in a league with 5 other Carlisle schools. To add points, users need to exit the app and reload. To help people get started there is a PE Code which will give you 1000 points. Enter 'Newsletter _ TUGI'

UNIFORM

Border Embroideries have notified us that the last day for ordering uniform to guarantee delivery before the new term is Sunday 30th July.

For those buying new uniform over the summer, just a reminder that our uniform is simple and straightforward. Please support us by upholding it as toward the end of this term, incorrect shorts, footwear and T-shirts have been worn unnecessarily.

Boys: Black or grey trousers, Cummersdale polo shirt and Cummersdale sweatshirt

Grey/black shorts are also worn by many

Girls: Black or grey trousers, grey skirt or grey dress, Cummersdale polo shirt and Cummersdale sweatshirt/cardigan

Blue or green gingham dresses may be worn in the summer months

All children are expected to wear black footwear. These will be kept on throughout the day. It would also be greatly appreciated if your child is able to fasten their shoes they wear by themselves and all clothing is labelled.

The school accumulates uniform each term either through donations or unclaimed and unnamed lost property. We will again be putting out our spare uniform to allow families to stock up on uniform or collect spares. There will be tables placed outside at the back of school on **Monday 10th July and Tuesday 11th July** from 2.45pm until 4.30pm. Parents may help themselves to any uniform which may be useful.

ATTENDANCE

Y1 are still the year group to catch with 96.99% attendance this year and also the leaders this term. Y5 had a good week though with 100% attendance this week. Someone from Y5 will receive the spot prize for this week.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

The **Pupil of the Week** this week is **Thea Clarke (Y3)** for her contribution to musical theatre and a confident performance in assembly. Last week's winner was Alex Kerr (Rec) for hard work in all areas.

The winner of the **Kindness Cup** is **Abigail Story (Y6)** for thinking of others before herself with a very kind gesture in the dinner queue. Last week's winner was **Aurora Gow (Rec)** for donating a loom band bracelet to someone who was upset.

The **Enjoy-a-ball Sports Trophy** goes to **Isabella Hamilton (Y6)** for an impressive debut for the girls' football team. Last week's winner was **Ayda McGinley (Y4)** for her ability to remain hidden at Ratlingate during Hide and Seek, but then getting lost herself when it was her turn to 'seek'.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3/7/23	Y6 to Y7 Transition Day
3/7/23	Moving Up Day and New Starters in School
4/7/23	Y5/6 Rounders: Sheepmount
5/7/23	Y1/2 Visit to N Lakes Wildlife Park
7/7/23	Football: Y3/4 Go Activ Cup
7/7/23	Y1/2 Class Assembly (9am)
11/7/23	Annual Reports Issued
11/7/23	Athletics: Sheepmount
13/7/23	Y5/6 Musical at Caldew (1.15pm and 6.30pm)
14/7/23	Sports Day
17/7/23	Activity Day and Water Fight
18/7/23	House Rounders (am)
18/7/23	Action Ants Mini Sports Challenge for Rec & Y1/2(pm)
18/7/23	Leavers' Lunch
19/7/23	Leavers' Assembly (9.00am)
19/7/23	End of Term (1.15pm)