



NEWSLETTER

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Welcome back to everyone this half term. With a few events coming up in the next couple of weeks, here is a quick newsletter.

FEET FIRST

All the children who took part in this walk to school initiative received a badge this week. There is a survey for parents to complete. Do this by Friday 8th December 2023 to enter the draw to win one of 2 x £250 vouchers

<https://surveymechanics.com/s/activetravel>

DIGITAL ONLINE BOOKING

Thank you to all the parents who have tackled the online payments for trips, after school and before school care. There have been some minor teething problems but the majority of bookings/payments have been successful.

HISTORY WEEK

Each half term we focus on one of the foundation subjects and have a whole school theme week. Next week we will be looking at History with all children learning about the history of toys. Tullie House will be spending the day in school providing an assembly and workshops on Wednesday and on Thursday the children will be working in Houses to plan and make their own marble game based on what they have learnt from History. Look out for facebook posts to see what the children have been doing.

GYMNASTICS

Unfortunately, the Y3 visit to Carlisle Gym didn't take place this week due to the coaches being ill. It will be on as normal next Wednesday.

FOOTBALL

The Y5/6 boys long awaited first tournament will now take place at Harraby on 6th November. This is followed by an event for a mixed Y3/4 team the following day organised by CUFC and then there is a league game for Y5/6 against Raughton Head on Monday 13th November on the MUGA at 2.15pm.

POPPIES AND REMEMBRANCE DAY

The school will be selling poppies in the lead up to Remembrance Day. Y6 will be setting up a stall at playtime to sell poppies and other items for a small donation from Monday. On 10th November, I will be taking four pupils to represent the school at the Schools' Remembrance Service at the City's War Memorial.

RECEPTION, YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 VISIT TO VUE CINEMA – Friday 10th November

Next week is Into Film week and the school has managed to get tickets to go and watch ‘Puss in Boots – The Last Witch’ at Vue Cinema on Botchergate. The trip will be for all children in Reception, Y1 and Y2. Travel to the cinema will be by coach and the screening is from 10.00 – 11.50am with the children returning to school in time for lunch. In the afternoon, the children will carry out activities in class based on the film.

On this occasion, there is no charge for the trip and uniform should be worn as normal.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – Wednesday 15th November

School Photos will take place on Wednesday 15th November. All children will have an individual photo taken and there will be photos of siblings too. If any families would like photos done, perhaps with younger family members this is possible too. For this, families should arrive at school anytime between 8.30am and 9.00am.

CHILDREN IN NEED DAY – Friday 17th November

Next Friday is Children in Need Day. Pupils can come to school in non-uniform, ideally wearing something spotty. In return, we ask that a donation is brought in to school which will go towards Children in Need.

PARENTS EVENING – Wednesday 22nd November

Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday 22nd November with appointments taking place from 2pm onwards. Appointments can be booked by ringing the school office or by signing up on the appointments sheets at the start or end of the day at the entrance to each classroom. Appointments can be booked from Monday onwards.

PANTOMIME VISIT – Thursdays 7/12 and 14/12

The annual pantomime visits will take place soon with the whole school going to the Theatre Royal in Newcastle to see ‘Pinocchio’. Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will go on Thursday 7th December and Y3,4,5 and 6 will go on Thursday 14th December. A letter with further details and how to pay is attached to the SchoolMoney e-mail.

CHESTER ZOO – Tuesday 23rd January 2024

Earlier in the year, Miss Fleming won a whole school trip to Chester Zoo. This will take place on Tuesday 23rd January 2024. Obviously, this is a significant undertaking but we would like to give all our pupils the opportunity to visit this attraction. We are able to take all children, but to assist with the planning, we thought it would be useful asking a couple of questions to parents at this stage. I would be grateful if the google form below could be completed. It can be done anonymously and is by no means a commitment to go/not go.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeQKwLszlYadeOvL3x_jfhg-gYriPnAS5ASxCAsoBY9rIMh4w/viewform?usp=sf_link

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

This week’s **Pupil of the Week** is **Sophie Menery (Rec)** for a confident performance in the Reception Assembly.

The winner of this week's **Mrs Vickers Kindness Cup** is **Charlotte Milburn (Y6)** for helping to look after a boy in Y1 who was very upset at lunchtime one day.

The Enjoy-a-ball trophy goes to **Will Evans (Y4)** for his eagerness at rugby in PE lessons this week.

ATTENDANCE

The school's attendance rate has improved this week and now stands at 96.02% this term. The best attenders this term are now Y2 with 97.59% thanks to 100% attendance this week. Well done!

HOUSE POINTS

Helvellyn are the leaders this term with 629 points, followed by Blencathra 594, Cat Bells 588 and Skiddaw 555.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6/11/23	Small Schools Football, Harraby
6/11/23	History Theme Week
7/11/23	Y3/4 Football: EFL Kickabout (Mixed)
7/11/23	Maths Challenge Day, Caldew School (some Y5/6 children)
10/11/23	R, Y1, Y2 visit to Vue Cinema – Puss in Boots: The Last Wish
10/11/23	Remembrance Day
13/11/23	Y5/6 Football v Raughton Head (2.15pm at Home)
15/11/23	School Photographs (Heidi Bea)
17/11/23	Hi 5 Netball Competition (Y5/6)
17/11/23	EFL Cuup: Y5/6 Football at Harraby
20/11/23	Y5/6 Swimming; Each day for 1 week.
20/11/23	A.I.M. High Maths Day at St Margaret Mary's (Y4)
22/11/23	Parents Evening (2pm - 6pm)
24/11/23	Cross-Country – Lime House (Y3 – 6)
27/11/23	Reception and Y6 Height and Weight Measuring
5/12/23	Governors Meeting
7/12/23	Rec, Y1, Y2 Pantomime Trip to the Theatre Royal, Newcastle
12/12/23	Christmas Dinner
13/12/23	Sports Hall Athletics (Y5/6)
13/12/23	House Treat: Dino Golf
14/12/23	Y3-6 Pantomime Trip to the Theatre Royal, Newcastle
18/12/23	Christmas Party Day
19/12/23	End of Term (1.15pm)