



# NEWSLETTER

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*We are approaching what is one of the busiest times of the school year with several activities happening in and out of school. Read on for more details about these events.*

*There will be one final newsletter during the last week of term.*

## **REPORTS AND SATS RESULTS**

The annual reports will be issued on **Tuesday 9th 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 very good with 81.25% of pupils achieving the expected standard with 13% achieving the standard with greater depth. In Y4, the school achieved a very impressive average score in the Multiplication Tables Test (MTT) of 21.3 out of 25. There has been an improvement in Y1 Phonics results with 71% achieving the expected standard. In Reception, 69% of children in Reception gained a good level of development which was very pleasing. 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.

## **Y5/6 CONCERT – MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> and TUESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JULY**

The concerts will be held at St Cuthbert's Church and start at 7.15pm and will finish at 8.30pm. The children need to arrive earlier at **6.30pm**.

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July, during the day there will be a rehearsal at St Cuthbert's Church which the children will attend. As the rehearsal spans lunchtime, **a packed lunch** will be needed on this day.

There are 16 tickets remaining for Tuesday night if anyone requires any additional seats. These are available to purchase on Schoolmoney via the School Shop.

## **Y5/6 CRICKET, LANERCOST CRICKET CLUB – MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JULY**

Eight children from Y5/6 will be taking part in a Small Schools Cricket Competition at Lanercost Cricket Club. Those involved will have received a separate letter.

## **Y2 GYM**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July will be the final session at Carlisle Gym for Y2.

## **Y3/4 VISIT TO STOCKS WOOD**

Y3/4 will round off their year with a day at Stocks Wood, Rosley enjoying a Forest School Experience. The children will be transported there by coach and will return just before bedtime. Uniform is not needed and the children should wear something suitable for a day in the woods. Keep an eye on the weather – shorts and T-shirts may be fine, but tracksuit bottoms, jumpers and a waterproof should be included, either being worn or in a bag. Trainers (old) are probably the best footwear. Although shaded, sun hats and cream are advisable. A **packed lunch** and a water bottle will be needed too. Mr Travers, Mrs Sharp and Miss Mitchell will accompany the children.

The school is in the fortunate position to be able to fund this trip this year, so there is no charge.

### **UNIFORM - THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> and FRIDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY**

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, there will be a number of items of school uniform on display at the back of school. The school gets given quite an amount of good quality uniform from parents of children who have grown out of it. We are happy to pass this on free of charge to anyone who would like it, even if it is just to have as a spare. The uniform, along with unnamed items of lost property will be on tables at the back of school from 3.00pm and from 8.30am on the Friday morning. In the event of bad weather, it will be located just inside the back door.

### **OLYMPIC THEME WEEK**

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, we will send a number of books home and book bags will return home too. During the last week, the children will be either taking part in sport or learning about the Olympics. PE Kits should be worn on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday of that week, with uniform on Wednesday and Friday. On Thursday, it is activity day, followed by the summer splash and any form of PE Kit may be worn.

### **SPORTS DAY – MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JULY**

Sports day will take place on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 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. There will be plenty of room for spectating.

### **HOUSE ROUNDERS AND ACTION ANTS SPORTS - TUESDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JULY**

The Juniors will all take part in House Rounders during the morning with Y6 taking on the staff in a match 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 recommended. On this day, all children should come in PE clothing. If you are struggling to keep up with clean PE Kit, anything similar will be fine.

Lee will unfortunately not be continuing with Action Ants next year. We would like to thank him for providing fun and enjoyable challenges in PE sessions for our younger children in the last two years and wish him all the best as he takes up a position with United Utilities.

### **LEAVERS LUNCH AND DINNERS – WEDNESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> JULY**

The children in Year 6 have chosen the lunch for the whole school. This will take place on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July** and be a Burger Bonanza with chicken and beef burgers with chips and accompaniments followed by a chocolate fountain. If your child fancies this instead of a packed lunch, please book via Schoolmoney.

Our school dinners will increase to £2.20 (£11.00 a week) next year which represents great value and is still cheaper than all the schools in the Rural South Carlisle Cluster.

Could I also remind a very small number of parents to settle their school money bills before the end of term? If there are any problems, do contact school before the end of term.

### **ACTIVITIES DAY - THURSDAY 18th JULY**

On this day, the children will choose a number of interesting activities to do throughout the day. These previously have varied from the 1% club and painting with body parts to a trip to the park. Uniform is not required on this day and any PE type clothing can be worn.

### **SUMMER SPLASH – THURSDAY 18th JULY**

Activity day will come to an end with the traditional ‘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 recommended on this day. The staff will supervise the children getting changed afterwards and there is no need for parents to come into school.

### **LEAVERS ASSEMBLY AND PRIZE GIVING**

Our leavers’ assembly will take place on **Friday 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**. Parents can pop into school if they fancy. Y6 will then be heading off to Game On by minibus. Year 6 children will be able to bring their phones with them on this day to allow them to take photos of each other. Mrs Wakefield will issue guidelines about using them sensibly and when and where they can be used. Hopefully this privilege won’t be abused.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS AND CARE**

After School Clubs finish today but Before and After School care run until the end of term as normal. There is no after school care on Friday 19th July.

At the start of next term, Before and After School Care will begin on the first day, Wednesday 4th September with after school clubs likely to start on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September.

### **ROBIN WOOD – Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**

The thirty-three Y5/6 children all returned from Robin Wood safely after their residential last week. Extremes of weather were had and the children were able to canoe in sunshine, but tackle blind trails, crate stacking, giant swings, climbing and archery when the weather cooled. Both the centre staff and our own staff were extremely complimentary about the behaviour of the children which was lovely to hear.

### **SPORT**

**Football** – Y3/4 played in a Go Activ Tournament at Harraby. The team battled well being hard to beat but struggled to score (sounds like England!). They did progress to semi-finals where they lost in the semi-finals.

**Athletics** – A team of children from Y3 – 6 braved the elements and took part in a Small and Medium Schools Event at The Sheepmount. There were many good performances with Thomas Baratt (1<sup>st</sup> throw, 1<sup>st</sup> 80m), Eloise Wakefield (2<sup>nd</sup> 600m, 3<sup>rd</sup> 150m), Logan Murdoch (2<sup>nd</sup> Shotputt), Zachary Johnston (3<sup>rd</sup> 80m), Noah Jesse (3<sup>rd</sup> 80m) and the Y5/6 Girls Relay (3<sup>rd</sup>) being some of the highlights.

### **PUPIL OF THE WEEK AND KINDNESS CUP**

This week's '**Pupil of the Week**' is Zachary Johnston for getting fully involved at Robin Wood and a determined performance at the athletics.

The '**Enjoy-a-Ball Trophy**' goes to Thomas Barratt for his impressive double first place at the athletics event.

### **ATTENDANCE**

Congratulations go to Reception who have had another week with 100% attendance and look to be heading to claim the title for the year with 96.04%.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mon 8/7	Y5/6 Cricket Competition: Lanercost
Mon 8/7	Y5/6 Concert: St Cuthbert's Church (evening)
Tue 9/7	Y5/6 Concert: St Cuthbert's Church (evening)
Thu 11/7	Y3/4 Visit to Stocks Wood
Mon 15/7	Olympic Theme Week (Whole School)
Mon 15/7	Sports Day
Tue 16/7	House Rounders: Juniors (am)
Tue 16/7	Action Ants Sports: Infants (pm)
Wed 17/7	Leavers' Lunch
Thu 18/7	Olympic Activity Day and Summer Splash
Fri 19/7	Leavers' Assembly
Fri 19/7	End of term (1.15pm)