



Arnside National Primary School

'Aspire – Believe – Achieve'

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Dear Parent / Carer

The pupils are working extremely hard and there is a buzz of excitement as the summer term takes off.

Standard Attainment Tests (SATs)

We all wish the pupils in Years 2 & 6 the very best as they complete their SATs (Statutory Attainment Tests) this half term. The teachers do their very best to ensure the pupils are happy, relaxed and positive throughout the process. The formal testing of pupils is not something the school supports or believes is an accurate method of assessment but unfortunately it is the system that we do have to comply with.

Disability access finding

We have made several adaptations and alterations to the building in order to improve disability access. St James' Church and the Parochial Council have raised an amazing £1300 to support school with additional funding. We can't thank the members enough for all their hard work and effort, such a kind and generous gesture from all involved.

Condition Improvement Fund (CIF) 2019 – 2020

School is thrilled to announce we have managed to secure funding to replace the boiler system. The current system is the original boiler from when the school was built in the early 70's and a replacement is long overdue!

Staffing

Mrs Pearce and Mrs Shipperd will be returning from maternity leave after May half term. On behalf of the pupils, staff, parents and governors, I would like to thank Miss Dawson and Mrs Hartropp for their hard work and commitment – you've both been fantastic. Mrs Hartropp (2 days a week) will continue to work alongside Mrs Pearce (3 days a week) until the end of the academic year.

PTA

The PTA team has been working extremely hard and are busy with preparation for the annual Spring Fair, Saturday 11th May / 10am – 12 noon. Friday 3rd May is a PTA non-uniform day and we kindly request a 'sweetie' donation to help towards the tombola.

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Residential, trips and visits

The summer term is extremely busy with a huge range of activities taking place. Each year, the PTA make a donation of approximately £2000 towards the funding of residential. This has a huge impact on the costs to parents / carers and we are extremely proud of the value for money our trips offer. Thank you for your help and support – it makes such a difference.

A calendar of events is available from the school website. Dates include:

Wed 1 st May	Foundation Stage visit to Growing Well, Sizergh (group 1)
Fri 3 rd May	PTA non uniform day – sweetie donations
Tues 7 th – 9 th May	Year 5 Camp residential
Sat 11 th May	PTA Spring Fair, 10am – 12 noon
Mon 13 th – 16 th May	SATs week
Wed 15 th May	Year 3 & 4 Rounder competition, Dallam School
Mon 20 th May	Foundation Stage visit to Growing Well, Sizergh (group 2)
Wed 22 nd May	Walk to school week
Thurs 23 rd May	Foundation Stage visit to Growing Well, Sizergh (group 3)
Fri 24 th May	PTA disco, 5-6pm / 6-7pm
	Break up for half term (3.15pm)
Mon 3 rd June	Cricket Festival, Kendal
Tues 4 th June	Lucy Everitt, Dance instructor (6 weeks)
Wed 5 th May	Year 5 Languages Festival, Dallam School
Wed 12 th – 14 th June	Year 6 London residential
Fri 14 th June	RNLI welly wanging!
Mon 17 th June	Sports Day
Wed 19 th June	Induction evening – new starters in Nursery & Reception
Mon 24 th June	KS1 Orienteering, Dallam School
Thurs 27 th June	Reserve Sports Day
	Pupil Parliament, Netherwood Hotel
	Year 3 & 4 Farm Day, Heaves Farm
Fri 12 th July	Wheelchair basketball coaching
Thurs 18 th July	Year 6 leavers' service + tea party
Fri 19 th July	Break up for summer holiday (2.00pm)

Yours sincerely,

Mr Sharp



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