



# Arnside National Primary School

*'Aspire – Believe – Achieve'*

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Dear Parent / Carer

Happy New Year! The pupils have recounted some wonderful Christmas tales and it sounds like everyone had plenty of fun over the festive period. We're extremely pleased to welcome another new family to our school and our pupils have already done a wonderful job of settling the new starters – good luck and we wish you every success and happiness at Arnside School.

Over the last few weeks, we have started work on our new kitchen facility and the roles of Kitchen Team Leader and Kitchen Team Assistant are currently being advertised. We will soon be sending out information about how you can register for meals and we will be holding an information evening once everything is ready and in place. It's an exciting development for us and we're really looking forward to providing a range of delicious meals!

We have several ex-pupils volunteering in school this term with Key Steps gymnastics and Arnie's. We always welcome extra help or work experience placements – it's a great way to support our local community beyond the school years. If any parents / carers have an interest, hobby or talent they would like to share with the pupils, please don't hesitate to contact the office; we're always looking for new ideas for after-school or lunchtime clubs.

Mrs Deane officially finished this Christmas and the staff are looking forward to an official 'send off' in the next few weeks. We are pleased to announce that Mrs Hartropp will continue to teach in Class 2 for the remainder of the year.

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 4.30pm – 5.30pm, we will be holding a maths information session for parents / carers. This will be an informal session where class teachers will explain the progression of skills and knowledge through the age groups. We will also provide information and tips on how you can support your child's learning in maths. All are welcome to attend and share ideas.

We have a fantastic term ahead with a whole variety of activities, events, visitors and themed weeks – see overleaf for further details. All events are also listed on the website calendar; if you're unsure what's going on, check the website. Lots of additional activities will appear!

Thank you for your help and support.

Mr Sharp  
Headteacher



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20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cross County competition – Casterton School, Sedbergh
21 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Year 3, 4 & 5 to Lancaster Maritime Museum
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Claire Griffel – Senegal twinning project
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Maths information evening for parents & carers, 4.30pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Girls' Football Festival, Vicarage Park School, 1-3pm
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cross Country competition – Dallam School
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Maths information session for parents / carers
6 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Tree planting – Year 6
10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Technology Week
11 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Safer Internet Day
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Key Steps gymnastics competition
13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PTA disco, KS1 5-6pm / KS2 6-7pm
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	School breaks up for half term
24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Fair Trade Fortnight
2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Book Week
5 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book day
11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Pupil Progress meetings
13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Sports Relief – Non uniform day
20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	PTA Mothers' day event
25 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Trinity Day
26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Orienteering Festival, Dallam School
27 <sup>th</sup> Mar	PTA Bunny Bingo, 3.30 – 5.00pm
	School breaks up for Easter, 2.00pm
13 <sup>th</sup> Apr	INSET day
14 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Pupils start back
15 <sup>th</sup> & 16 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Year 3 & 4 residential to Coniston
22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Quick Sticks Hockey competition, Dallam School
4 <sup>th</sup> , 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 5 Camp residential
8 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY
11 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> May	SATs week (National exam testing)
16 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA Spring Fair
18 <sup>th</sup> May	Well-being Week
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Rounders competition, Dallam School
21 <sup>st</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Life Bus
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	School breaks up for half term

Details of the last half term can be found on the website



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