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Dear Parents / Carers

Is it really half term already? Time is flying by and the children are suitably 'frazzled' after working so hard. In addition to this, we've had our fair share of coughs and colds during this mild winter period and some of the children have been struck down by some particularly nasty viruses - we all know how happy they are to share!

The work produced across the classes this year has been outstanding and our new house points system is really promoting our school values. Pupils gain points for their house colours by demonstrating excellent behaviour such as sharing, kindness, empathy and respect. Results are announced each week in the praise assembly and we will announce our termly winners in March.

Our second parent open evening of the year will take place on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th March, 3.30 - 6.00pm. We have brought the dates forward so that we can discuss your child's progress mid-year and inform you of their strengths and successes to celebrate, as well as their targets to work on, for the remainder of the term. Please contact your child's class teacher to book an appointment - we will try to be as flexible as possible to meet your needs.

The PTA will be holding their Spring meeting on Wednesday 1st March, 3.15pm. This will be a chance to plan and organise the events for the rest of the academic year. If you have any new or exciting ideas, please come along and share your thoughts. The meetings are very informal and are a fun way to bring the school and parents closer together; the funds raised have made a significant difference to resources and activities throughout the school.

On behalf of the school team, I would like to wish you a happy holiday and we look forward to another exciting half term. Spring is in the air!

Thank you for your support.

Mr Sharp



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Dates for the diary:

- 27th Feb Reading week - a week-long reading and book 'party'! See previous letter for additional information
- 2nd Mar World book day - non-uniform (book characters) & book swap
- 3rd Mar Tim Farron visit - a celebration of our fair trade award
- 7th & 8th Mar OPEN EVENING - All classes 3.30 - 6.00pm
- 8th Mar Year 5 & 6 Hockey competition - Dallam School
- 9th Mar A visit from a dentist in Year 3 & 4
- 9th Mar Pupil Parliament - The Netherwood Hotel
- 15th Mar Library Van (return any books that have the Cumbria County Council stamp)
- 15th Mar Year 3 & 4 Quick Sticks competition - Dallam School
- 20th-31st Mar The Big Pedal - dust off your bikes and scooters and pedal to school!
- 22nd Mar Year 6 visit to Warton Crag - Conservation work
- 27th Mar Year 5 English taster session - Dallam School
- 3rd Apr School photographer
- 4th Apr Cricket coaching starts
- 5th & 6th Apr Year 3 & 4 Residential - Ingleton
- 7th Apr End of term - 2.00pm finish
- 24th Apr School starts back for the Summer term
- 1st May Bank Holiday Monday
- 3rd May Year 3 & 4 Rounders competition - Dallam School
- 8th May SATs week
- 13th May PTA Spring Fair (provisional date)
- 16th-18th May Year 5 Residential - Camp
- 23rd-25th May Year 6 Residential - London
- 26th May End of half-term 3.15pm finish
- 5th June School starts back



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