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# News Update 23rd Feb 2024

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the Spring Term. I hope that you had a great half-term. It is lovely to think that we are emerging out of winter and that Spring is just around the corner.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR RECEPTION STARTERS SEPT 2024:** Please help us spread the word – Reception places for Sept 2024 are available for all children regardless of if children already attend our Nursery. Some parents have contacted us thinking that they cannot apply to attend Jericho if their child does not attend Jericho Nursery. This is not the case. Our places are open to all in the community. We have 60 places in Reception and have only had around 55 children apply in previous years. There are plenty of places available for all in the community.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR NURSERY PARENTS:** Nursery Return to School After the Easter Break

School reopens after Easter on Tuesday 16 April, however, our Nursery will remain closed on Tuesday 16th and Wednesday 17th April due to staff training.

**Help Needed: Electrical data.** We are having huge problems with our electricity bills and wondered if there is anyone in the Jericho Family who works for or understands Electricity Business Analytics? We have access to our provider dashboards to monitor our usage but need some help interpreting the information. If you think you could advise and help, please contact our School Office and Business Manager – Karen Hannah.

**Help Needed: Budding Gardeners:** In the autumn we had a shout-out for some help with gardening. We have nearly got control of the weeds on the long boarder but need some help maintaining this now. If there is anyone that could lend a hand – just a small amount of time, hoeing and keeping the weeds at bay, please contact our office/ business manager.

Budding Thespians: Good Luck to our Year 5 and 6 children who have been working hard R

**Comic Relief is coming......** We have managed to secure some noses to sell in school. These will be  $\pounds 2.00$  for noses. They will be on sale from Monday 4th March. We will be holding a non-uniform day for Red Nose – with the theme of Style Yourself Red – red hair, red nose, red socks, red hairbands – wear something to style yourself up! If your child would like to come to school in their own clothes on this day, we will be asking for a donation of  $\pounds 1.00$  towards the charity.

**URGENT REMINDER Medicines Policy:** We have made some revisions to our medicine policy. ALL medication must be given to and collected from the school office. Please do not give medicines to the class teachers. Parents will be asked to complete a form if they require us to give their child medication. Please bring the medication to school in ALL of the original packaging. Clearly labelled with

the child's name. If it is prescription medication then the medication must have the original dispensing label on the packaging. Please also make sure that we have a copy of the patient leaflet that is enclosed with the medicines. For more detailed information on our policy, please see our website by <u>clicking here.</u>

Access Steps from Balmoral Road to Jericho: Work to replace the steps will continue for the next couple of weeks. Please continue to use alternative routes into school.

# Food bank card design competition- Calling all budding artists!

The foodbank are running another birthday card competition along the same lines as the last one, which was two years ago. You can download the template to take part from their website <u>www.thefoodbank.org.uk/schools</u>

There are prizes to be won for both the winners of the winning designs and their schools.

The closing date is Monday 11th March. Send entries to: CARD COMPETITION, North Lakes Foodbank, Lorton Street Methodist Church, Lorton Road, Cockermouth CA13 9RH.

**Parking:** You will now be aware that the police are actively supporting us to reduce the parking issues in the area. Please park sensibly around the community. They will be sending officers to the community regularly to help reduce the complaints and problems that we are all experiencing!

# World Book Day – Thursday 7th March

We are all very excited about celebrating World Book Day with our Jericho Book Worms! We will be dressing up on the day but are encouraging children to use what they have at home creatively, rather than having to buy a specific costume.

Before half term, children were sent home with a Reading Challenge Card that encourages them to engage in reading activities that widen their horizons as reader. Please encourage your child to continue to tick these off and post pictures on Seesaw – we will be including the best ones in our World Book Day assembly.

**Mental Health:** As infants, we all rely completely on adults to help us resolve situations that are causing us to become upset or stressed. This is known as co-regulation. The next phase, once autonomy has begun to develop, is called self-regulation: this is when children start to become capable of exercising more control over their impulses and behaviour, and managing their own emotions.

This vital developmental milestone, however, isn't reached spontaneously. Learning to self-regulate requires sensitive guidance from trusted adults – simply talking with children about their thoughts and feelings, for instance, can ease the route to self-regulation. This week we have some helpful hints and tips on supporting your child with self-regulation.

### **Golden Work:**

Isabelle 4H – fantastic punctuation work.

Tommy in y6- fantastic arithmetic retrieval

Gracie in nursery for wonderful independent writing

Jay-Y3 fantastic improvement with his writing

Teddy in y1 for wonderful independent maths calculation

Nate and Noah - y5- incredible team work net building

Sienna – 1W – for super sentence work.

Sadie – RH – for writing a perfectly polished sentence.

#### Save the dates:

- 26th Feb 8th Feb Year 6 Swimming each afternoon.
- 27th Feb Shakespeare at school performance Keswick Theatre
- 7th March World Book Day in school
- 15th March Comic Relief Non Uniform Day Style up it with Red!
- 21st March Year 4 Viking Day in school
- 22nd March Class photos in school
- 26th March Nursery Trip to Muncaster Castle
- 27th and 28th March Year 5 Tree Planting
- 28th March School Closes for Easter Holidays.
- Tuesday 16th April Reception Year 6 Return to School after Easter Holidays
- Thursday 18th April Nursery return to school after the Easter Holidays.
- 13th May all Week KEY STAGE TWO SATS

#### Residentials

- Year 3 Blencathra 20th May 21st May
- Year 4 Hawse end 3rd June 5th June
- Year 5 York 13th May 16th May
- Year 6 London 24th June 27th June