

25th November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

As December is nearly upon us, Christmas things are starting to appear around school!! Lots of things planned for our pupils over the next few weeks.

Christmas Market

There is lots of preparation underway for our Christmas Market on Saturday 3rd December. We are looking forward to seeing as many people there as possible, please help spread the word to family and friends. Doors open at 10am, as always we are supporting the North Lakes Foodbank and would appreciate if as many people as possible could bring along one item with them as a donation. We are still collecting raffle and tombola prizes.

Reindeer Run - Thursday 1st December

Sponsor Forms were sent out this week to classes taking part in the Reindeer Run in aid of Jigsaw, Cumbria's Children's Hospice. This is a fun event for pupils to take part in and there's lots of activities going on around school.

Thank You

Hospice at Home - Marathon Man

As well as having lots of fun and showing that you can complete a section of a marathon in lots of different ways we raised £757 for Lakes 5, 11 and 12's participation in Gary McKee's 276th marathon. Thank you so much for your support, the money will be much appreciated by our local Hospice at Home and Macmillan branches.

Children in Need

Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for Children in Need, we raised an amazing £234.30.

A huge thank you and well done to those who went to Cleator Moor Coop to buy and sell raffle tickets.











This week in school...

Lakes 1 had a class Diwali party with beautiful lights and musical instruments from India, Steve played some lovely music for us.









Lakes 5 had a fantastic trip to Hayes Garden World, it was a total immersive grotto experience. There was lots of sensory elements such as activating falling snow, interacting with the lights, listening for singing reindeers and of course, meeting Santa.









Students in Mountains 5 have been busy making boats in DT.















Yesterday Mountains 8 have been looking to the future by taking part in a Spark Careers event, which focussed on finding employment opportunities for those with SEND. The class prepared and sent in questions to the panel of Robbo who works in a cafe, Luke who works for his local council, Jasmine who works in the warehouse for Daisy Chain and Kim who works in McDonalds. Everyone listened very astutely and hopefully took some inspiration from the panel, realising that they may well gain employment in the future!









Mountains 11 visited Sainsbury's in Cockermouth for a full tour of the shop and the offices, warehouses etc. We had a very enjoyable and informative tour led by two Sainsbury's staff. The trip was part of our transition activities ahead of the Sixth Form moving to Cockermouth later this academic year and it also fits nicely with our ASDAN Workright course where we have been investigating the world of work - topics have included Timekeeping, Attendance, PPE, Health and Safety etc.







 6^{th} Form and students from KS4 have been working hard painting the set for the school pantomime.











Free School Meals

We need you! If you are entitled to claim for Free School Meals, please apply so we can access more funding for our school, and help more young people to experience and enjoy, grow and develop, learn and achieve. Please read the attached for more information.

We are looking for a Parent Governor

We have a vacancy on the school governing body for a Parent Governor the closing date for applying is 2^{nd} December. If you're interested there is more information on how to apply on the letter sent home yesterday.

Raffle Tickets

Can all raffle tickets be returned to school Wednesday 30th November, if you have any unsold tickets can these be returned to school.

We need your help!

Hospice at Home

We are also collecting Terry's Chocolate Oranges, Ferrero Rocher and tubes of Smarties for Hospice at Home, we would be grateful of any donations to be sent into school before Monday 5^{th} December.

Foodbank

Our leaver's class are supporting the Foodbanks Reverse Advent Calendar and are asking for items to be sent into school by Friday 9th December. Please don't feel pressured into sending multiple items, one item will make a massive difference. Please see full list of things they are looking for on our website www.mayfield.cumbria.sch.uk

Diary Dates

Thursday 1st December - Reindeer Run (date changed)

Saturday 3rd December - Christmas Market

Monday 5th December - Lakes Christmas Party

Tuesday 6th December - Mountains Christmas Party

Wednesday 7th December - Mountains Dept Carol Service, St Johns Church, Hensingham

Thursday 8th December - Whole School Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th December - Panto

Tuesday 20th December - Break up for Christmas

Sam and the team



