Monday 26th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope that you are enjoying the lovely spring weather.

Pupils are back and have settled really well. Despite keeping class Bubbles as rigorous as ever, schools are able to begin taking pupils off site following strict guidelines.
This week has seen a few classes go off site to access local areas in support of their learning. This has been a delight to see.

Dance Festival
Last week, Mayfield along with Special Schools both within Cumbria and further afield, recorded some dance workshops and dance activities within school. These were shared across the schools and the festival culminated with a virtual assembly on Friday afternoon.

Music Teacher
Last week also saw Steve Strachan start at Mayfield. Steve is working initially in Mountains 4 and 5. The pupils were very enthusiastic to join in his activities. Going forward Steve will also offer guitar tuition to our young people and eventually he and I will run a choir.

Interventions
Last week also saw Rachel Parker, Chris Tweddle and Michelle Diamond begin some Thrive work and Art Therapy respectively. It is wonderful to offer an ever increasing range of activities to our young people.

Appointments
After a rigorous interview process last week and a very strong field of candidates, three new teachers were welcomed to the team. Ben Cass, Barney McHale and Aaron Hope join our teaching team.

Protocol on Site
May I remind parents that smoking is not allowed on site. The site, like all County Council sites, is also a dog free site. Thank you for your co-operation.

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Sun safety

With the advent of warmer weather, we ask parents to send in labelled sun lotion. If it is a warm day please can pupils come in with sun hats if appropriate. Class teachers will administer if the weather becomes warm for prolonged periods.

Bank Holiday

Finally, may I remind you that next Monday 3rd May is a Bank Holiday. School will be closed but will reopen on Tuesday 4th May 2021.

Yours sincerely

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