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Newsletter #2 – Autumn Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

London

Next Monday, Year Five will be visiting London for the day! We will be departing Oxenholme Train Station at 7.26am and returning to Oxenholme at 8.10pm. During the day, we will be touring the Houses of Parliament, going on the London Eye and visiting the National Portrait Gallery. Thank you to the Year Five parents and carers who came to the meeting after school on Tuesday. For those who couldn't attend, please note the following information:

- Please drop your child off at Oxenholme Train Station between 6.55am – 7.05am. A member of staff will be outside the station and on the platform.
- Please ensure your child is wearing full school uniform and comfortable shoes.
- Your child will need a big packed lunch/tea. We will be eating this on the London Eye at lunchtime and on the train back home for tea.
- Please do not send your child with a camera. All the staff will be taking photos throughout the day.
- All pupils will be wearing high-vis jackets throughout the day and lanyards with mine and Miss Harrison's contact details on.
- Your child can bring a maximum of £5 spending money on the trip. This can be spent in the Houses of Parliament or the National Portrait Gallery.
- You child can bring a small non electronic game to play, a notebook to draw or write in or something to read for the long train journey.
- Any medicines please hand to a member of staff on Monday morning at the train station.
- If we are delayed for any reason, we will send a text message detailing our new return time.

Skipping Challenge for Cancer Research

During October we will be supporting Cancer Research UK's Skipping Challenge. Throughout the month we will be challenging the pupils, staff, parents and carers to skip 100 times every day. The pupils can do this during playtime, lunchtime, PE lessons, running club, at after school club or at home.

If you would like to make a donation to Cancer Research UK, please follow the link below.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/old-hutton-school-skipping-challenge>



WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?



A DAY, EVERY DAY IN OCTOBER.



ASK YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY TO SPONSOR YOU.



GET MONEY BY SKIPPING.



HELP THOSE WHO NEED IT.



Playtime Snacks and Water

Just a reminder that if children wish to have a snack at morning break, they are welcome to bring in fruit or vegetables to eat. School staff will also remind children to only take out fruit or veg. Also can I remind parents and carers that water bottles are to be filled with water only unless there has been a prior discussion to discuss special requirements.

Nut Free School

Can I take this opportunity to highlight that we are a nut free school. If a product states 'may contain nuts' that is fine, if the ingredients list contains nuts please do not send that product in to school.

School Values

We currently have ten school values in school. The Christian values are trust, courage, peace, humility, forgiveness, hope, perseverance, friendship, respect and responsibility. We try and live out these values every day in school. We are finding that the pupils are struggling to remember all ten, especially our younger pupils. So we have decided to reduce the values from ten to six. To help with picking our new school values, we have set up a survey for members of our school community to vote on which value you feel is most important. We will then use the results to compile our final six. To complete the survey, please click on the link below. The survey will close on Friday 22nd September.

<https://forms.gle/7E8q4i5phwXjiv596> - if this doesn't open properly in Chrome, please copy and paste the link in to another browser ie. Microsoft exchange

Plastic Containers

On Tuesday, the whole school will be taking part in an exciting gardening project. To help with the project, if anyone has any empty plastic punnet containers (the sort that tomatoes and grapes come in) please bring them into school.

Staff News

I'm delighted to announce that Mrs Jenny Donald will now be the teacher in charge of Class One every Wednesday. Jenny will continue with her teaching assistant role on Thursdays.

National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety guide is all about the importance of setting clear boundaries if your child plays computer games. You can find the guide attached to the Newsletter email.

To sign up for your own free National Online Safety account please follow the link below.

<https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/old-hutton-cofe-school>

Thanks for your continued support.

Nick

Key Dates

Event	Date
Year Five London Trip	Monday 18 th September
Harvest Festival	Friday 22 nd September

Term dates and Nursery/Primary and Secondary School application deadlines are on the next page

School Year dates 2023-24

Autumn Term 2023

Wednesday 6th September – Tuesday 19th December

Half Term Holiday: Monday 23rd October – Friday 27th October

Spring Term 2024

Staff training day Tuesday 2nd January

Wednesday 3rd January – Thursday 28th March

Half Term Holiday: Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February

Summer Term 2024

Staff training day Monday 15th April

Tuesday 16th April – Friday 19th July

Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May

Half Term Holiday: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Nursery applications for 2024/25

January 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 22 September 2023

April 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 13 January 2024

September 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 24 March 2024

January 2025 entry Closing date for applications – 22 September 2025

Reception applications for 2024

September 2024 closing date for applications - 15 January 2024

Secondary school applications for 2024

September 2024 closing date for applications - 31 October 2023

For all applications please

visit <https://legacy.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/childrensservices/schoolsandlearning/lss/schooladmissions.asp> for further information on how to apply.