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## Newsletter #2 – Spring Term

### Parent Visit

Thank you to one of our parents, Natalie, who is a dietitian, for coming in to visit Class One on Wednesday. The children had a brilliant time learning all about what a healthy, balanced diet looks like and why it's so important to eat plenty of fibre. They were also very brave tasters and enjoyed trying some unusual foods, including pomegranate seeds, hummus and lychee!

### Music in Class Four

On Tuesday, Class Four started learning the flute. Their very first lesson went really well, all the children were so enthusiastic. We are incredibly lucky to have such an amazing music teacher, Patsy from the Cumbria Music Service, teaching the class and inspiring our young musicians.

### Outdoor Learning

Also on Tuesday, Class Three enjoyed another fantastic outdoor learning session. The pupils made bird feeders, used hand drills to create boats and had lots of fun challenging themselves by trying to balance on the slack line. It was wonderful to see such teamwork, resilience and creativity outdoors.



### School Photos

Individual (and sibling) school photos will be taken on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. The sibling photos (where a sibling does not attend school) will be taken in the Village Hall between 8.30am – 9.00am. All other photos will be taken during school time (individual and school siblings).

### PTA News

Please find attached to the newsletter email posters for two exciting events organised by our brilliant PTA. The dates for the Crazy Hair Day and Easter Egg Competition have been added to the key dates section at the bottom of the newsletter.

### National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety guide is about digital devices and wellbeing. The guide explains how digital devices affect children's wellbeing and how to promote healthier habits.

These weekly guides are from National Online Safety, to create your own free account, please click on the link below.

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

Thanks for your continued support.

Nick

### Attendance in School

<b>Whole School Attendance</b>	<b>96.3%</b>
<b>Attendance W/C 7<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>98.32%</b>
<b>Attendance W/C 12<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>96.81%</b>

## **Key Dates**

<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Individual and Sibling School Photos</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	<b>Minotaur the Musical in the Village Hall at 6pm</b>
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>Crazy Hair Day for the PTA</b>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Class Three Residential Visit to York</b>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Year Five Day Visit to London</b>
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>Deadline for the PTA's Easter Egg Competition</b>
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Break Up for Easter Holiday at 2pm</b>
<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b>Sports Day at 1.15pm</b>
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Year Six Leavers Service at 1.30pm</b>

### **School Year dates 2025-26**

#### **Spring Term 2026**

Staff training day Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March (2pm finish)  
**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Summer Term 2026**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July (2pm finish)  
Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May  
**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May

### **School Year dates 2026-27**

#### **Autumn Term 2026**

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December (2pm finish)

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October

#### **Spring Term 2027**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March (2pm finish)  
**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Summer Term 2028**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July (2pm finish)  
**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June