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Newsletter #12 – Summer Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of this academic year, I would like to thank all for the support you have given school over the last 10 months. I would also like to thank every member of staff for their hard work and dedication this year. Finally, I would like to thank all the pupils for making Old Hutton such a special school to be Headteacher.

I hope you all enjoy your summer breaks and look forward to welcoming you back to school on Wednesday 6th September.

Nick



Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who supported last week's rearranged Sports Day! It was great to see all the pupils giving their very best in every event and how they supported their class mates so enthusiastically. Congratulations to Skiddaw for being the winning house group.

Rounders Match

It was great to see so many members of our school community taking part in Thursday night's staff and parents vs pupils' rounders match. Congratulations to the pupils team who won the incredibly close match 24 vs 23 ½. I am already looking forward to next year's rematch!

End of Year Trip

On Friday, pupils from Reception to Year Six visited Brockhole for their end of year trip. The pupils had a fantastic day playing on the adventure playground, exploring the grounds of Brockhole, going on the Tree Top Nets and completing the Tree Top Trek.

Thank you to the PTA for contributing £760 towards the cost of the transport.

SATs Results

Last Tuesday, our Year Six pupils received their Standard Assessment Test (SATs) results. As reported in the press, May's assessments were incredibly difficult. We are all absolutely thrilled with the results our pupils achieved. An overview of the results will be shared on our school website in September.



Leaver's Service and Afternoon Tea

Thank you to everyone who came to the Year Six Leaver's Service and Afternoon Tea on Tuesday. It was amazing to see so many of our pupils sharing their wonderful talents and special memories during the service. All the staff wish our Year Six pupils the very best as they move on to Queen Elizabeth School, Queen Katherine School, Kirkbie Kendal School and Settlebeck School.

Food Hygiene Rating

Earlier this month, the kitchen in the village hall was inspected by Westmorland Council. I am delighted to announce that the kitchen received the top rating of 5 stars! A huge well done to our brilliant school cook Helen for working so hard on setting up the kitchen and preparing amazing hot meals over the last two months.

Lakeland Arts

This year, we have worked with Lakeland Arts on an exciting art project. I am delighted to announce that art work completed by Class Three will be on display at Blackwell, The Arts and Crafts House, for the duration of the summer break. The work will be exhibited at the same time as a brand new exhibition by internationally significant artist and ceramicist Halima Cassell.

National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety update focuses on how to stay safe online during the summer break.

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
Start of Autumn Term	Wednesday 6 th September 2023

Dear all,

£6400 Donated to the school this academic year

The PTA have had a great year. We have had fun running a lot of events for school, also securing grants and private donations, resulting in being able to donate £6400 to the school to fund a variety of trips, resources and events. Thanks for your support at all of these events.

I think everyone in the PTA is motivated by the feeling that our school is a very special place for our children and we want to be a significant part in making it so.

Welcome to our New Chair Kristi Pillans

.....to be formally confirmed by vote at our next meeting in September.

After two years in the Chair role I will be stepping down and **Kristi Pillans** has come forward to take on the Chair role, we are all very excited to work with Kristi next year. I will remain in the PTA committee.

New Secretary and Treasurer needed

Cat Sale Brown is stepping back after 6 years in the Treasurer role. Alice Benson also is stepping back as Secretary and remains in the committee. Thanks to both for their contributions.

We really need these officer roles. We have charitable status and without the 3 main roles being filled we can't operate, if we can't fill them we will have to wind the PTA up or put it under wraps. Please consider taking a role, or sharing one of these roles with someone else?

An officer role is of course a commitment, but if all 3 roles are filled and with a strong team behind you it is a realistic commitment to make. I have found this to be a very rewarding role and a great way to support a school staff team who go above and beyond for our children on a daily basis.

If you would consider an officer role please e mail us and talk to Kristi or myself.

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Leavers Tea

Yesterday on the 18th July we ran the Leavers Tea, we welcomed 90 people (school leavers and their families) to the Village Hall to continue their celebrations after the Leavers Service in the church. The team decorated the Hall and provided an afternoon tea for everyone.

Owen Carter and Sarah Spencer led this event, with a huge team of helpers thanks to all the people who came forward and got stuck in! photos are on the school Facebook page. This is a truly special event that happens every year in our school.

Sports Day Snacks

The PTA funded and arranged snacks for the children at sports day. Harriet Gilding and Kelly Pickthall arranged this.

They also had arranged for a refreshment stall to run at the sports night but the weather had other plans for us! They ran a tuck shop last night which was well supported and meant we have broken even on the goods that we had bought so thanks so much for supporting that and well done Harri and Kelly, it is a lot of work when things don't go as planned I think the tenaciousness award of 2023 must go to you two!!!

Finally, huge thanks from me to our PTA team who have worked with a lot of spirit and fun this year it has been a real pleasure and I'm looking forward to next year's mix of treasured events and new ideas.

Aileen Wright

School Year dates 2023-24

Autumn Term 2023

Staff training day Monday 4th September & Tuesday 5th September

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