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Newsletter #3 – Autumn Term

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who supported today's Harvest Festival. It was great to see so many members of our school community in church this morning. The pupils did a fantastic job leading the worship and singing two songs. A huge thank you to everyone who donated tinned food and dried goods to our harvest appeal.

Nursery

It has been brilliant this week to welcome our nine new nursery pupils into school. The pupils have settled in so well into the class. It has also been great to welcome Jen, Jenny, Charlotte and Kirsteen into our staff team.

How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth

Class Three are totally engrossed in the brilliant "How to Wash a Woolly Mammoth" by Michelle Robinson. This week the pupils have been learning about the importance of writing and following instructions. The pupils were tasked with following a set of instructions to make their own woolly mammoth.

The class did a brilliant job!



Healthy Lunchboxes and Hot Meals

The government have recently released guidance about the importance of children having a healthy packed lunch during the school day. The guidance outlines the recommended contents of a healthy lunch box are:

- A good portion of starchy food e.g. bread, crackers, pasta or rice salad.
- Plenty of fruit and vegetables e.g. an apple, orange, banana, carrot sticks, small box of raisins or any other fruit or vegetable.
- A portion of milk or dairy food e.g. yoghurt.
- A drink e.g. a small carton of milk, juice, or a bottle of water.
- One small biscuit or cake e.g. penguin, club, cake bar, small fairy cake etc.

Packed lunches should not include:

- Chocolate bars, or sweets
- Fizzy drinks.

A number of parents have spoken to me in regard to hot meals at school. We were obviously very disappointed that the catering company we had an agreement with pulled out right at the end of the last school year. Over summer we have put together a new plan. I am just waiting for full confirmation and I will be able to share this with you. Being able to offer hot meals at school is my main priority this year. Thank you again for your understanding with this.

Parent Governor Vacancy

We are currently looking for a parent or carer to join our governing body. If you are interested in this role please see the attached letter to this email. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me in school.

Thanks for your continued support.
Nick

Key Dates

Event	Date
Tim Farron MP visiting Class Four	Monday 17 th October
Library Bus visit	Friday 21 st October
Break up for half term	Friday 21 st October
Return to school	Monday 31 st October

School applications

Nursery applications for 2023

April 2023 entry Closing date for applications – 13 January 2023

September 2023 entry Closing date for applications – 24 March 2023

January 2024 entry Closing date for applications – 22 September 2023

Reception applications for 2023

September 2023 closing date for applications - 15 January 2023

Secondary school applications for 2023

September 2023 closing date for applications - 31 October 2022

For all applications please

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

School Year dates 2022-23

Autumn Term 2022

Wednesday 7th September – Tuesday 20th December

Half Term Holiday: Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October

Spring Term 2023

Staff training day Tuesday 3rd January

Wednesday 4th January – Friday 31st March

Half Term Holiday: Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February

Summer Term 2023

Monday 17th April – Wednesday 19th July

Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May

Half Term Holiday: Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June