

Newsletter #4 – Autumn Term

Great Fire of London

On Thursday, Class Two were transported back to 1666 with a very special visitor — Sir William Petty himself! Sir William, a friend of Samuel Pepys, shared his first hand story of the Great Fire of London, bringing history to life. The pupils became part of the story, transforming into houses in streets and lanes to experience how the fire spread. They also worked out how to create an effective bucket chain to pass water and fight the flames. With fascinating artefacts to explore and hands-on activities, the pupils gained a deep understanding of this historic event in a truly immersive way.



New Governors

We are delighted to welcome two new governors to our team. Jacky Hohol, a member of our local community with extensive experience in banking, brings a wealth of knowledge and is eager to contribute to shaping the future of our school. Joining her is Kirsty Howson, a new parent governor, who shares a strong passion for supporting and guiding our school's development.

Both Jacky and Kirsty are committed to working collaboratively to ensure the best outcomes for all our pupils.

Bake Off

I'm excited to announce a Bake Off event on Monday 13th October. If your child enjoys baking, they can bake something over the weekend and bring it into school. After school, these tasty treats will be sold to raise funds to support our school, as well as the Beep Doctors and First Responders in Endmoor.

National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety guide is about building emotional resilience. This guide provides expert advice on how to nurture self-esteem in children and young people and help them to effectively process difficult feelings.

If you would like your own free membership to National Online Safety, please click on the link below. https://nationalcollege.com/enrol/old-hutton-cofe-school

Thanks for your continued support.

Nick

Attendance in School

Whole School Attendance	96.1%
W/C Wednesday 4 th September	98.7%
W/C Monday 8 th September	94.84%
W/C Monday 15 th September	94.02%
W/C Monday 22 nd September	97%

Key Dates

Friday 26 th September	Harvest Festival
Thursday 2 nd October	Blencathra Walk for Class Four
Monday 13 th October	Bake Off
Monday 10th November and Thursday 13th November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 10 th December	Nativity Performance at 2pm
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Fair

School Year dates 2025-26

Autumn Term 2025

Wednesday 3rd September – Friday 19th December (2pm finish)

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

Spring Term 2026

Staff training day Tuesday 6th January Wednesday 7th January – Friday 27th March (2pm finish)

Half Term Holiday: Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

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Summer Term 2026

Monday 13th April – Friday 17th July (2pm finish) Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May

Half Term Holiday: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

School Year dates 2026-27

Autumn Term 2026

Wednesday 2nd September – Friday 18th December (2pm finish)

Half Term Holiday: Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October

Spring Term 2027

Tuesday 5th January – Thursday 25th March (2pm finish)

Half Term Holiday: Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February

Summer Term 2028

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

2025/2026 Nursery Application Dates

When your child turns 3	Recommended time to apply	When your child would start nursery
1 September to 31 December 2025	22 April to 18 July 2025	7 January 2026
1 January 2026 to 31 March 2026	3 September to 19 December 2026	13 April 2026

2025/2026 Secondary School Application Dates

The closing date for applications for September 2026 is 31 October 2025

2025/2026 Reception Primary School Application Dates

The closing date for applications for September 2026 is 15 January 2026

For all applications please

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