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Old Hutton  
C of E School



## Newsletter #4 – Autumn Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Kev Sutherland

It was great to welcome comic artist Kev Sutherland back into school on Thursday. The pupils in Class Three and Four loved taking part in his art masterclass. All the pupils contributed towards creating their very own class cartoon strip and received a portrait of themselves!

If you would like to see more of Kev's amazing artwork he will be at this weekend's Comic Art's Festival in Bowness.

### Parking Project – Phase One

Thank you to everyone for your continued understanding with the parking situation outside school at drop off and pick up time. We are continuing to work with the Parish Council and the Local Authority on a project that will help with congestion on the roadside. As an update, Westmorland and Furness Council have approved a new 20mph speed limit policy at a recent Cabinet meeting. The council are now meeting to agree the process of how the 20mph limits will be assessed, prioritised and funded. We have been reassured that the request for a 20mph at Old Hutton is on the list of requests.

### Illness

Due to the recent increase in COVID cases locally we are having to take measures to avoid any form of school closure. Therefore, from Monday, if your child has a confirmed case of COVID please keep them off school for 3 days. They can return to school on the fourth day if they are feeling well. For more information please click on the link below.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-symptoms-and-what-to-do/>

Whilst on the subject of illness, we have had a number of cases of sickness and diarrhoea amongst staff and pupils. Therefore, please can everyone be extra vigilant with handwashing etc. to help prevent it spreading further.

### Skipping

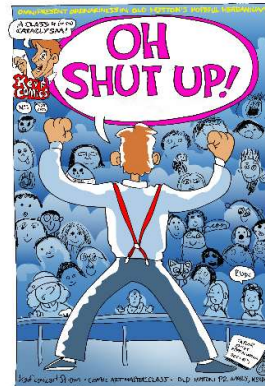
As a reminder, during October we will be supporting Cancer Research UK's skipping challenge. On Monday, we will be encouraging all our pupils to complete 100 skips, this will continue throughout the month. Please send any photos or videos into school of your child completing the challenge at home.

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>

### Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who came to watch last Friday's Harvest celebration. It was great to see so many of you in church. All the food that was kindly brought in has been donated to Manna House in Kendal.



### **National Online Safety**

This week's National Online Safety guide is all about the importance of data backups and storage. The guide explains how to back up your files securely.

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**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date</b>
Break up for Half Term	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October

### **School Year dates 2023-24**

#### **Autumn Term 2023**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October

#### **Spring Term 2024**

Staff training day Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February

#### **Summer Term 2024**

Staff training day Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Early May Bank Holiday: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May

**Half Term Holiday:** Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 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.