

Newsletter #9 – Autumn Term



Outdoor Learning

Class Three had a brilliant first outdoor learning session this week in our woodland area. The pupils eagerly explored the natural environment, identifying potential risks and learning essential strategies to stay safe while engaging with the outdoors.

Our wildlife area is an essential part of our school, we are extremely lucky to have such an amazing ecosystem within grounds.

Gustav Klimt

In Art, Class Three have just completed an exciting project focused on the works of Gustav Klimt. Using collage techniques, the pupils recreated some of Klimt's most famous pieces. This project helped them explore key artistic skills such as colour, pattern and texture, building a strong foundation for further artistic learning.

For more pictures of their impressive artwork, please visit our social media pages.

Christmas Artwork

This week your child will have come home with an order form to enable you to purchase Christmas items with your child's personal artwork on. There is a web link on the form and your child's unique PIN code which you will need if you wish to place an order. Any corrections to names can be made at the point of ordering and all orders will be delivered to your postal address. A percentage of all orders will be donated to the PTA.

School Closure Procedure

As we approach the colder months, I want to remind all parents and carers about our plan for potential school closures due to severe weather conditions. If it becomes necessary to close the school before the start of the school day, we will send an email notification as early as possible and post updates on our social media pages. Should a closure be required during the school day, we will again notify you promptly via email and social media. Please be assured that closing the school is always a last resort, undertaken only to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff. Many of our staff travel considerable distances to school, and their safety, along with that of our pupils, is our top priority.

National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety guide is about online group chats.

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	95.8%
W/C Monday 3 rd November	97.12%

Key Dates

Monday 10th November and Thursday 13th November	Parents Evening
Wednesday 10 th December	Nativity Performance at 2pm
Monday 15 th December	Christmas Fair
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Carol Concert at 1pm
Friday 19 th December	Break Up for Christmas Holidays at 2pm

School Year dates 2025-26

Autumn Term 2025

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

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

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 June

2025/2026 Nursery Applications – We now accept nursery pupils from the day after they turn 3. Please contact school for the application process

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.