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Newsletter #5 – Autumn Term



Outdoor Learning

Class Four had a brilliant time canoeing on Lake Windermere on Tuesday morning with Windermere Outdoor Adventure Centre. The class spent time in single and double canoes practicing a range of different paddling strokes. The pupils showed excellent perseverance in the difficult windy and wet conditions. Class Two and Three will be taking part in lake sessions in the spring and summer term.

Building Work

Many of you will have noticed the building work going on outside Class One. We are having a canopy fitted to allow our Class One pupils to play and learn outside all year round. This building work is due to finish by the middle of next week.

Teaching Students

We currently have three teaching students completing their University placements in school. Miss Taylor is in Class Four, Miss Robinson is in Class Three and Miss Mischa Monteverde in Class Two.



Around the Classes

Class One have had a brilliant week looking at the classic story A Squash and Squeeze by Julia Donaldson. The pupils loved listening to the story and acting it out in the classroom.

Class Two have had a really busy week reading The Owl who is Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson. The class have produced some excellent writing about the book and made some wonderful masks.

The pupils in Class Three are loving listening to Loki a Bad God's Guide to Taking the Blame by Louie Stowell. It's always brilliant spending time in Class Three at the end of the day listening to Miss Brown doing all the different voices in the story!

In Class Four the pupils are enjoying two classic stories. The pupils are busy reading Friend or Foe by Bali Rai and Once by Morris Gleitzman. These two books link to our history topic World War Two.

Times Table Rockstars

Since returning to school after the summer break Class Three and Four have been battling it out on Times Tables Rockstars. The pupils have answered over an incredible 52,000 multiplication and division questions correct over the last 4 weeks.

Thanks for your continued support

Nick

PTA Notes and News

We are looking forward to a new academic year and also we are busy planning what we as a PTA can bring to the school in this year, continuing well loved events and thinking of new adventures!

PTA meeting: Monday 17th October, 9am to 10am

In Mr Turley's office.

This is open to everyone! Please join us.

We will be planning Christmas activities.

Cake Sale: Thursday 20th October 3.20pm

Our popular half termly cake sale. Please bring donations to school in the morning and we will sell the cakes in the yard 50p per cake! If you would like to help us out by selling the sale runs from 3.20 to 3.50. drop us a line!

Congratulations and Thanks

Leavers Tea 19th July

The PTA with huge help from year 6 parents, year 5 pupil helpers and D of E students offered afternoon tea to all the families of year 6 Leavers. Thanks so much for your hard work it was a very special event to mark the time of those families in our school.

OHS Challenge

To the Spencer Family who set themselves a fantastic OHS Challenge and cycled 11 miles as a family from Langdale to Skelwith Bridge, raising an incredible £412 in sponsorship from friends and family.



We are looking to continue OHS Challenge and/or run a sponsored event please let us know what work for your family!

In the current climate when PTA funds may be needed more than ever, sponsorship is a powerful fund-raiser. Sarah Spencer set up our on line fund- raising page and registered us for Gift Aid which means all donations get a boost of 25% tax relief. Thanks Sarah!

Join the PTA

We are actively looking for more people to join the PTA committee.

-Treasurer role: Cat Sale Brown has held this role for 4 years and is stepping down from this role though happily she will remain in the committee. She has made a huge contribution to the PTA. We will post a job description next week but if you are interested please contact us.

-Committee Members: more hands make light work. We would love more people to join the committee and welcome the new ideas that you may bring.

-Helpers: Some people prefer to help us out rather than commit to membership of the committee. That is absolutely welcome. If every parent in school could do 'Just One Thing' with us the results would be tremendous. Christmas will be busy and we will let the school community know what events we need help at.

-Ideas: if you have a great idea of a way to make money for the PTA or just a way to add fun to school life we are open to hearing this, especially if you would help us get a new idea off the ground.

Thanks for reading and see you soon at the meeting or the cake sale!

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Key Dates

Event	Date
Break up for October half term	Friday 21 st October 2022
Return to school	Monday 31 st October 2022
End of the Autumn Term	Tuesday 20 th December
Start of the Spring Term	Wednesday 4 th January 2023

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
Bank Holiday: Monday 19th September
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