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Newsletter #1 – Spring Term

Happy New Year everyone! I hope you all had a good Christmas break and managed to enjoy some special time with family and friends.

Skip2bFit

We had a brilliant first day back thanks to Dave from Skip2bFit, who came in to lead his termly fitness workshop with each class. The pupils absolutely loved getting active with the skipping and fitness circuit training, they were all really engaged when Dave spoke about the importance of having a growth mindset. There were lots of smiles, plenty of energy and some very impressive skipping skills on show!

Outdoor Learning

On Thursday morning, Class Three had a fantastic first outdoor learning session of the term. The pupils enjoyed exploring the icy conditions, made dens, learnt how to make fire and cooked and enjoyed popcorn! We are so lucky to have such an amazing woodland in our grounds.

40 for 40

I'm excited to share a special challenge which will take place in June 2026. To mark my 40th birthday and support some fantastic causes, I will be completing a 40 mile sponsored run from Threlkeld to Old Hutton on Saturday 13th June.



I'm delighted to say that Mrs Nelson, Mrs Dodgson and I will be completing the challenge together. We would love for staff and members of our school community to join us for parts of the route to show support and be part of the journey.

I have attached more information about the route to the newsletter email.

National Online Safety

This week's National Online Safety guide is about online safety. The guide explains how you can best support your child in navigating the online world.

These weekly guides are from National Online Safety, to create your own free account, 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	96.2%
Attendance W/C 7 th January	98.32%

Key Dates

Wednesday 14 th January	Year Five London Day Trip Meeting at 3.20pm
Tuesday 20 th January	Individual and Sibling School Photos
Thursday 22 nd January	Minotaur the Musical in the Village Hall at 6pm
Wednesday 11 th March – Thursday 12 th March	Class Three Residential Visit to York
Wednesday 11 th March	Year Five Day Visit to London
Friday 27 th March	Break Up for Easter Holiday at 2pm
Thursday 2 nd July	Sports Day at 1.15pm
Thursday 16 th July	Year Six Leavers Service at 1.30pm

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 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.