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21/10/2021



Newsletter #07 - Autumn Term

Dear Parents

I hope all of our children manage to have a good break during half term and they all manage to come back rested and ready for the second half of the autumn term.

This week we will be saying goodbye to Mr Benn who is leaving us at half term. He has made a significant contribution to the life of the school. Although I have only been in school since September, I have seen him share his talents and experiences with the children and acting as a superb role model for the children. The staff and children will certainly miss him and we wish him every success in the future.



We have been working very quickly to replace Mr Benn and during the rest of this half term, I have arranged for Mr Watson from St Mary's School to contribute to the PE and sports club so that the children continue to get a positive sporting experience. The club will need to be on Wednesdays now, instead of Thursdays but will start on the first week back after the half term break.



I would like to thank the staff for making every effort to do their best in challenging circumstances over the past weeks and to you as parents for your patience and flexibility as we have pulled together to respond to the covid cases.

I am pleased to announce that we have been able to support families receiving free school meals with further support, this half term. I hope this support proves to be helpful.

As we look to a really good start to the next half term, I hope you and the children manage to stay well.

Many thanks,

Mr Jones

Children's Workshops

Autumn Term



After School ART CLUB

Thurs 4 - 5 pm 7-11 years ish
4th Nov - 16th Dec £45.50

Learn new techniques and get really creative at our weekly art club! Parents can join in or sit downstairs with a lovely coffee.



Pre-School MINI MAKERS

Tues 10 - 11am 2-5 years ish
2nd Nov - 14th Dec £35

Each week we will make something new, from hats and wings, to painting and puppets.

Family Workshop SATURDAY MAKERS

Every Sat 10 - 11 am
2+ years £5 per week

Each Saturday we have a different workshop, from mask making to ceramics. Check out our social media for what's happening each week!



FULL DETAILS & BOOKING ONLINE
WWW.RAGTAGARTS.CO.UK

NATIONAL
**BOYS
DANCE
DAY**



**LET'S
BREAK THE
STIGMA!!**

SATURDAY 23rd OCTOBER

This Saturday 23rd October...

All classes this Saturday are free for any boys wanting give dance and acro a try. We want to encourage & support boys to follow their dreams regardless of what they are. Our senior boys will be there for them to buddy up with & show a great example of how dance & performance is for everyone.

Classes are from age 4 upwards, must be happy to stay without parent/carer.

Email info@kendaldanceacademy.co.uk to register

What to do next....

- Obtain a small or medium sized shoebox (NO BOOT BOXES PLEASE!) and wrap the lid and the box separately with bright paper. Maximum size: L30cm xW18cm xH11cm
- Fill the box for a child aged between 3 and 14 with items from the list below - a mixture of fun and practical items: We do not specify any age groups, as our experience, when distributing the boxes, has shown that it is impractical to match these up correctly. However, families tend to be large, so swapping and sharing take place.
- Complete the donation form overleaf - please consider gift aid if you are a taxpayer, as we can claim an extra 25% on your donation (£2 becomes £2.50).
- Put the form and your £2 donation - cash or cheque - in an envelope. Place **on top** of the items inside the box.
- Cut out the boy or girl label and tape it on the outside of the lid, securing the box with a stout elastic band.
- Take your box to one of our Drop-off locations NO LATER THAN 12th NOVEMBER. (The boxes travel overland to Romania and have to leave by mid Nov).

An ideal box will contain....

- A selection of toys and games such as a ball, car, doll, skipping rope, yo-yo, dominoes (sturdy toys please as these children are not used to toys and have little manual dexterity).
- Sweets (use by date at least March of next year).
- Notebook, colouring book, pen, crayons, pencils, rubber, ruler, pencil sharpener.
- Hat, scarf, mittens or gloves, a pair of socks.
- Soap and a facecloth, toothbrush, toothpaste, hair brush/comb, hair accessories.

But please NO....

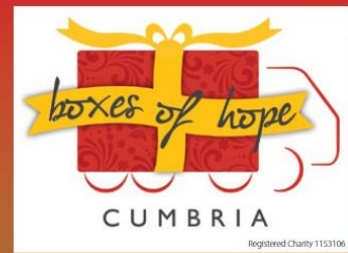
- Food (except for sweets), medicines, aerosols, liquids (shampoo, shower gel, bubbles), glass or fragile items, sharp items (knives, scissors, needles).
- War related toys (guns, tanks, soldiers), novels.
- Playdough, plasticine, loom bands

Please ensure that all items are new or in good condition and clean.
All shoeboxes are checked carefully and we reserve the right to remove any unsuitable items. Occasionally it may be necessary to split very large boxes.

A team of our volunteers visits Romania to distribute the boxes



Drop-off points across North & West Cumbria, South Lakes, Furness, North Lancashire and North Yorkshire - full list on website and Facebook page from 1st October



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Half Term Art Workshop

27th October 2021

Fun with Autumn colour - led by artist Claire Griffel

- Create art inspired by The Armitt's collection
- Workshops are aimed at children aged 5-12 years old
- Two sessions at either:
 - 10am-12pm; or
 - 1:30pm-3:30pm
- £10 per child, £3 per accompanying adult - please book your tickets in advance
- All materials provided - please wear casual clothing you don't mind getting dirty!



Book your tickets at
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