

# Beckstone Primary Newsletter



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Dear Parents,

We are already over half way through the first half term of the school year. I would firstly like to begin by stating how very impressed I have been with the pupils' attitude and behaviour at the start of this year. This bodes very well for the year ahead which, as I spoke to the children about in an assembly, should be one of hard work, lots of learning but also lots of fun and enjoyment as the relaxing of many of the Covid restrictions will allow us once again to enhance and enrich the curriculum with visits and visitors. Indeed a draft plan of how we intend to do this is within this newsletter.

This month sees the return of parents into school for parents' evenings. There is further information on page 2 of this newsletter and I would urge every family to ensure they have booked an appointment.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a wonderful half term when it comes. Please make clear the rules for your children when it comes to the resumption of trick and treating as their safety is paramount.

Best wishes,

Mr Warbrick

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## Meet the Teacher 'Drop In's – Monday 11th October 2021



Your child's class teacher should have sent you a link via Tapestry/Seesaw to book a half hour slot for our 'Meet the Teacher Drop Ins' at school.

These slots will enable your child to show you their classroom, share their work to date and will also give you an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and for you to discuss how they have settled in etc. There will be up to 4 other families in the room at the same time so if you wish to discuss something confidential then please speak to the teacher and request a phone call at another time.

Also within this time there will be an opportunity to taste the school meals and discuss them with canteen staff (please make sure you have time to finish your food before the time slot ends).. Our aim is to get as many children on to school meals as possibly as they fully comply with Government nutritional advice.

Please Note: There is one time slot per child so where there is split parenting there needs to be agreement on times. You may wish to choose the same time slot for more than one child or have separate ones. The times

available are as follows, once there are 5 bookings for a time slot it will become unavailable:

- o 3.30-4pm
- o 4.10 – 4.40pm
- o 4.50 – 5.20pm
- o 5.30 to 6.00pm
- o 6.10 to 6.40pm
- o 6.50 to 7.20pm

Educational Research shows that where schools and families work closely together the child's performance at school is invariably improved. **As a result we would very strongly urge all families to make an appointment as soon as possible.**

Please do not enter the building until the start time of your slot, this will give us time to ensure Covid safety through surface cleaning and limiting numbers in the building at any one time. Thank you in advance of your co-operation, better safe than sorry! At the end of the time slot the bell will ring and you will be asked to leave the building. If you have other times to meet teachers of your other children please wait outside in the shed or your car until the next time slot.

There will be no crèche on this day. If possible please arrange other childcare, if that is not possible then siblings can attend the drop in.

Once you click on the link sent to you via Tapestry/Seesaw you will be asked to select a 30 minute window for your meeting. You will be asked for your name, email address (to send a confirmation link) and will be provided with the option to invite others e.g. the other parent.

**Please let us know if you have any difficulties and we will be happy to help.**

## School Lunches – BEST choice

As part of the 'Meet the Teacher' evening there will be school meal tasting in the Dining Hall. Please come along and try tasters of our school meals, you hopefully will be impressed at the quality of meals.



*"I really like having hot lunches – they keep you warm on cold days!"*

Taking school meals is the option the school would favour you to do. The meals are good quality, are stringently checked against nutritional guidelines and the children get **5 (!)** choices of main course daily so there should always be something your child would like (a hot meal of the day, a vegetarian choice, a sandwich choice, a pasta choice or a baked potato choice). The Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 receive free meals, the cost for a child in KS2 is £2.40 per day or £12 for the



week and for  
Nursery  
children it is  
£1.70 a day or £8.50 a week.



The menus for this term are displayed on our web site, simply follow the QR code.

If you are entitled to free school meals then please claim them even if your child receives a free

## FREE SCHOOL MEALS AND CLOTHING GRANTS

Are you entitled?

infant meal as it also entitles you to a **uniform grant**. The school receives additional funding for every free school meal child and families also

receive money towards school free school meals and clothing vouchers are available for your child(ren) if you receive one of the following qualifying benefits:

- Income Support (IS)
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)
- An income related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income (as assessed by Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs) that as of April 2012 does not exceed £16,190. Note: From 1st May 2009 where you are entitled to Working Tax Credit during the four week period immediately after your employment ceases, or after you start to
- work less than 16 hours per week, your children are

entitled to Free School Meals, this may be extended

- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Universal Credit

For further details please visit

<https://cumbria.gov.uk/childrenservices/schoolsandlearning/freeschoolmeals.asp> or follow the QR code.



## Packed Lunches

The school strictly adheres to the Children's Food Trust guidelines as advised. As a result if you do have to send your child with a packed lunch then please make sure their lunches comply with the guidance below. In addition please note all packed lunches are stored at room temperature, we do not have chilled facilities for them.

## Food and drink in packed lunches: what the policy states

- The school will work with parents to encourage packed lunches to meet the standards listed below.
- As fridge space is not available, pupils are advised to bring packed lunches in insulated bags with freezer blocks where possible.



## Packed lunches should include:

- at least one portion of fruit and one portion of vegetables every day.
- meat, fish, eggs, or a non-dairy protein (e.g. lentils, kidney beans, chickpeas, houmous, peanut butter, falafel) every day.
- oily fish, such as salmon, at least once every three weeks.
- a starchy food such as any type of bread (white or wholegrain rolls, pitta bread or wraps), pasta, rice, couscous, noodles, potatoes or another cereal every day.
- a dairy food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard every day.
- a drink of water, fruit juice or smoothie (maximum portion 150 mls), semi-skimmed, 1% fat or skimmed milk, yoghurt or another milk drink.

## Packed lunches should NOT include:

- salty snacks such as crisps - instead include nuts, seeds, vegetables and fruit with no added salt, sugar or fat.
- confectionery such as chocolate bars, chocolate-coated biscuits, cereal bars, processed fruit bars and sweets.
- sugary soft drinks, such as squash and fizzy drinks (even if labelled as 'sugar-free', 'no-added sugar' or 'reduced sugar' as these drinks can contribute to tooth decay and provide little nutritional value).

There is a misconception that crisps or salty snacks are allowed in packed lunches (often quoted as a Friday treat). **This quite simply is not the case** as can be seen from the guidelines above. See the image below for the harm it can cause to young developing hearts.







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### Gurning



In recognition of the 'World Gurning Championship' that takes place every year at Egremont Crab Fair the school held its own annual Gurning competition which was enjoyed by all.

The final took place between Hayden from Y3 and Cooper from Nursery with Cooper winning the event. He is pictured below. Congratulations to all the children who took part, they were great sports!



### School Photographs

You should have received proofs of your children's photos on Thursday last week. Please can orders be made online by THIS coming Monday (4<sup>th</sup> October). Orders within a 10 day period have FREE P&P. It is better for school if you order online as the school benefits from increased commission.



The photographer will return on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2022 for class photographs.



### ParentPay® Food & Drink

- School meals cost £12 per week or £2.40 a day payable on ParentPay
- Milk is vital for growing children as it strengthens bones and teeth. Children in Reception and Nursery are entitled to free milk as are children who are eligible for free school meals and clothing vouchers (not the universal free meal for all FS & KS1 children). The cost of milk for the next half term is £9.00 and needs to be paid by **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> November** via **ParentPay NOT cash or cheque**. If you need help with this please see the School Office. Due to the administrative burden of checking attendance and the inability to change the order daily unfortunately milk money cannot be refunded for absence.



- Snack money for Nursery and Reception is also paid by ParentPay and is due by the same Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> November, the cost is £7
- Fruit tuck shop money from Year 1 up is also paid this way, £7 for next half term by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November





## Latest Covid Update

The responsibility for following up positive Covid cases lies with NHS track and trace and not with schools. As a result, unless there is what is classed as an 'Outbreak' there will be no class sent home unless directed to the school under Public Health guidance if there is an 'Outbreak'.

Due to rising cases in Cumbria (see figures alongside) and increasing pressure on the hospitals however local guidance changed last week. This is reproduced on the flow chart on the next column. It is only a small tweak involving siblings but is aimed at reducing Covid spread. We hope the flow chart helps. Under the current guidance it only applies to children up to the age of 18. If an adult in the household has tested positive for Covid the children can attend school as long as they are not showing any symptoms and the infected adult doesn't bring them.

Please have contingency child care plans at the ready as schools have been advised to send pupils home if they are displaying Covid symptoms (see below). A Covid Summary is available in the 'News & Events' section of our web site

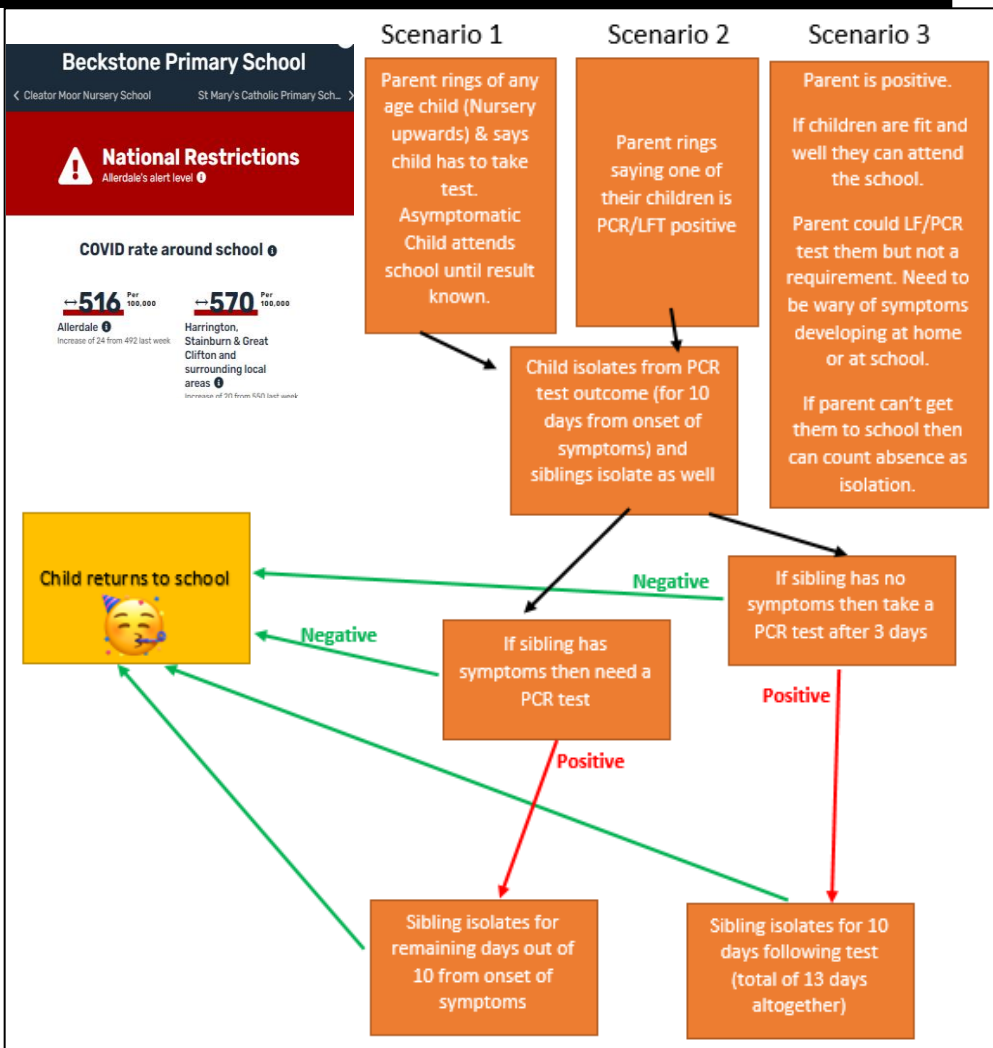


[http://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/news\\_and\\_events/covid-alerts.html](http://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/news_and_events/covid-alerts.html)



## What are the Symptoms of Covid?

There is a simple video that explains what to look for with regard to Covid symptoms as compared to other illnesses. It can be seen by clicking on the link in the noticeboard on the school web



site, using the QR code or clicking here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/health-54182329>

The NHS has produced some guidance to help parents understand when their child can and cannot attend school which you may find useful. There is a link with further details in the 'News & Events>Covid Alerts' section on our web site or by following the QR code or by clicking here <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-51048366>

Lateral flow tests are available for asymptomatic testing for yourselves or other adult family members, these are not advised for Primary aged children. These are available by post from Gov.uk, some pharmacies or from Allerdale house.

If you suspect you or any member of your family **including children** have Covid then you should go for a PCR test.

## Arranging a Test

Testing can be arranged via the national portal:  
<https://www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test>



### Winter, Covid Guidance & Heating

The current Government guidance to schools is very clear that they should be well ventilated and have windows open to ensure a free flow of air. There are of course some issues that arise from this guidance once the air temperature outside falls.

Firstly, the school will naturally be colder than normal so it is perhaps prudent for your child to wear a vest or T-shirt under their usual uniform. We are allowing children to wear navy fleeces on top of their uniform in class for added warmth if needed. Ones with a school logo on can be ordered here:

<https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/beckstone-primary-school.html>

or by following the QR code

They cost between £15 and £20 depending on the size.



### Covid Information & Alerts

We keep our Covid Zone up to date and it can be found in the news and Events section of our web site.

## Covid Alerts



Remote Education Guide  
for Parents

Suspected Coronavirus –  
keeping safe at home

Covid symptoms – what  
are they and how do I  
protect myself?

## Flu Vaccine

To help in the identification of any possible symptoms of Covid we have arranged for our flu vaccination programme to be relatively early in the school year. Flu vaccinations will take place at school on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October for all years from Reception upwards. It is particularly important all children get vaccinated this year so there is no confusion between flu and Covid symptoms and for health reasons as scientific research has shown that the body finds it hard to cope if trying to fight more than one viral infection at any one time.



It is a nasal spray vaccination ((Fluenz Tetra®) ) and will not only help protect the children from getting flu but it also stops them spreading the disease to their family, carers and the wider population. As flu viruses change each year last year's immunisation for those that had it will not be effective.

The vaccination is a nasal spray and is not painful. The school pupils have been brilliant at receiving it in recent years.

You will receive consent forms. **PLEASE ENSURE THESE ARE RETURNED TO SCHOOL.** The only children who will be excluded are those where there is contra-indicated medical advice and there are very few this will apply to across the country.

Parents of younger children may like to know that children aged 2 upwards and also in Nursery can receive their free vaccination through their GP or Pharmacies. **Harrington Pharmacy offers this service and is very handy for school.**

Flu vaccinations for adults are also available on request at Pharmacies or large supermarkets for an average £10 fee.

### Give Blood – Help Save a Life!



Giving blood to support others is a wonderful selfless act that helps fellow citizens. Who knows, a member of your family may rely on someone else's blood donations to save their life at some point.

The next donor session you can book online is Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> November from 3pm to 7pm both at Energus, Lillyhall. You can book an appointment online.

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Further details and booking details can be found at [www.blood.co.uk](http://www.blood.co.uk)







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## Walk to School



We are continuing with this County initiative this year. There will be further details of the reward system in subsequent newsletters. In the meantime please try and let your child walk to school, (or walk with them) at least once a week to help the environment and also to ease traffic issues.

## Donations Needed



In addition to the above, the school would very much welcome any of the following;

- Games, puzzles and jigsaws
- Construction Equipment e.g. K'Nex,
- Meccano or Lego
- Railway or road sets especially Thomas the Tank Engine
- Bikes and Trikes for Nursery & Reception
- Good quality books
- Comics/games for wet playtimes

Thank you in advance for any donations.



## Easy Fund Raising



Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising **FREE** donations for Beckstone Primary School with easyfundraising?

There are over 4,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is:

1. Go to [https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/beckstoneprimary/?utm\\_campaign=raise-more](https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/beckstoneprimary/?utm_campaign=raise-more) and join for free.

2. Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to Beckstone Primary School at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful for your donations that will enrich your child's experiences at school.

Thank you for your support.

## Safeguarding/Child Protection

Full details on the county's policies, procedures and processes with regard to safeguarding plus analysis of outcomes of serious case reviews can be accessed through the Cumbria LSCB Web Site at [www.cumbrialscb.com](http://www.cumbrialscb.com)

the site also has a parental information zone.

In addition to the above the school has a 'Safeguarding Zone' on its web site which contains the above link as well as relevant school policies, further information and a diagram showing how we keep your child safe in school. It is well worth a look.



**Sharing information is in the best interests of children and their safeguarding. The school reserves the right to share and receive information from other agencies that may have had dealings with your child.**

If you ever have any concerns about the safety or well-being of a child, then you can ring your concerns through to the County's 24 hour 'Safeguarding Hub' number and you can remain anonymous if you wish. Callers can outline their concerns and the Safeguarding Hub will give



advice (consultation) and if necessary undertake an assessment of need.



0333 240 1727

There is now also an adult NSPCC helpline where any concerned adult can seek advice if they are concerned about a child and would like advice on whether to make a referral. The number to call is



0808 800 5000

### Domestic Violence

Debbie Cook, our Educational Support Manager has trained to be a 'Domestic Violence Champion' and is a resource available to any adult who would like to confidentially share incidents with her and is a very good source of advice. Just contact the School Office to get in touch with her.

Domestic violence is on the increase and causes terrible harm to victims and the associated children.

It is everyone's responsibility to ensure it is eradicated. We are working closely with the Police and the school will learn of any incidents to support any children whose lives are affected by such an occurrence.



### Revisewise

Free revision classes for **Year 6 children** take place weekly on Wednesday and a Thursday from 8.20 to 8.50am. Please encourage your children to attend as it has proved to impact on their outcomes in Year 6. Children need to queue at the back gate for entry from 8.15am.

**All Year 6 children should be attending**



### Free Gardening Equipment from Morrisons

Morrisons are offering free gardening equipment for schools up to the 24<sup>th</sup> October. To help the school just download the 'MyMorrisons' app, head to the 'It's Good to Grow' section, select Beckstone to donate tokens to. You will get one token for every £10

spent. Thanks in advance! We currently have 23 collectors and 182 tokens but ideally would like loads loads more!



### Reading

**One constant homework** is to read (or be read to) for at least 20 minutes a day. We would urge every parent to ensure this happens. As explained above we need parents to check the understanding of the text they have read by asking pertinent questions about it. Below are some ideas to ensure this time is a useful learning experience – **READING** is the key to all learning and it is the main thing that parents can really do to support their child (ren) with their school work.




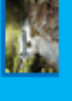


As a reward for those reading at least 5 times a week at home they become eligible to be part of the fortnightly 'Strive for Five' draw. Each year group winner will receive a book and chocolate for the parent(s) who have supported at home. Please use this as an incentive to read regularly with your child ☺

### Curriculum Overview 21/22

On the next page is a plan for your child's areas of study for this year and hopefully some of the planned enrichments. Please look at what your child will be studying and plan any trips out/visits and even presents that would enhance these areas of learning.



	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Curriculum Enhancements	Democracy Rules Week Off by Heart Choral Performance	Christmas Play Halloween Day Party Day	KS1 Big Garden Bird Watch World Book Day	Fairtrade Fortnight	Off by Heart Individual Performance	Health Week
Early Years Big Questions	Do you want to be friends? 	Why do zebras have stripes? 	Sunshine and Sunflowers 		Will you read me a story? 	Who lives in a rock pool? 
Our Enrichment Activities	M and M Performance A local autumn walk A visit from Mr Warbrick to read a story	World Rhyme Challenge	Spring Walk	Duck Eggs – Watch the Hatch! Zoo Lab/Pet Encounter Cumbria visit to see some minibeasts	A visit to the reservoir to pond dip	A visit from a dentist Our Summer trip to the Beacon Trip to Harrington Shore
Additional Learning	Why do you love me? 	How high can I jump? 	Why is water wet? 	Are eggs alive? 	Can we explore it? 	How many pebbles on the beach? 
Our Enrichment Activities	M and M Performance A visit from an Emergency Service Visits from people who help us in school	A visit to Whinlatter A visit from a pet A visit to Helena Thompson museum	Ion Douglas Storyteller to tell us an outdoor story A visit to Helena Thompson museum		A local summer walk	Our Summer trip to the Beacon Trip to Harrington Shore
Year 1 & 2	Enchanted Castles 	Enchanted Castles 	Paws, Claws & Whiskers 	Superheroes 		
Our Enrichment Activities	A visit to Harrington Nature Reserve A visit to Helena Thompson Museum		A visit from a vet		A visit to Workington Fire Station A visit from a police officer Our Summer Trip to the Lake District Wildlife Park	
Year 3 & 4	Through the Ages 	Emperors and Empires 	Potions 	Traders & Raiders 		
Our Enrichment Activities	A visit to the Beacon / Vindolanda Stone Age Forest School Experience		Outdoor learning focusing on light and sound DT/Cooking experience		Our Summer Trip to a Viking Settlement	
Year 5 & 6	How Mining Changed Harrington 	Stargazers 	Alchemy Island 	Flow 	Our American Adventure 	
Our Enrichment Activities	A visit to the Beacon Helena Thompson visit - Mining	Y5/6 Spy camp residential A STEM visit to build rockets Planetarium	Play in a Day visit	West Cumbria Rivers Trust input A visit to Harrington Nature reserve	Y5 Edinburgh residential Y6 Kingswood residential USA package exchange – Y5/6 swap food and letters with a school in the USA	

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### Non-Uniform Days

The 'Jeans for Genes' day raised an



astonishing £327 for charities supporting children with genetic defects, thank you for your

support.

The non-uniform day in October is on the 15<sup>th</sup> October to support anti-racist charities.



### Macmillan Coffee Morning

The Macmillan coffee morning last Friday raised an astonishing £1,224 for this worthwhile cause.

A BIG 'Thank You' to all for their donation of cakes, donations of money and for supporting the event. A special 'Thank You' goes to Mrs Chambers who is the driving force behind these annual amazing events.



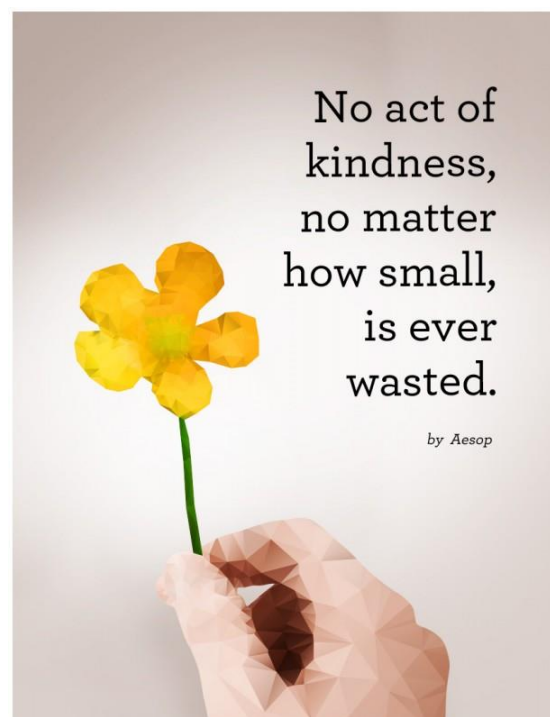
### Charitable Events & Giving

An aim of the school is to educate the children to be global citizens and to have an understanding and empathy for those less fortunate than themselves.



We understand charitable events may impact on families who are struggling at this time and we want to remind everyone that there is no directive to donate and no minimum size of donation. Donations for charitable events and non-uniform days are voluntary and no-one in class will know whether you donated or not (another positive for the ParentPay system) so there is no stigma attached to non-donations.

At the Macmillan coffee morning for example cake donations were collected but every child got a cake. Donations can be of any size.



### Circuits



'Circuits Days' will take place each half term this school year. They will be on a Thursday or a Friday depending on the day your child has their PE session. As they are now coming to school in PE Kits on those days anyway there is no need for different clothing on these days. The dates are on the back of the newsletter and are pertinent as they take place in the middle of this month.



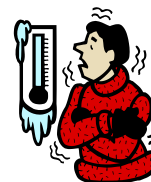
## Advertisements

If you run a business or know of someone who does (even baby-sitting services) then please do get in touch with the School Office. An advert costs £5 a month, goes to at least 500 local households (parents, staff etc.) and also provides much needed funds for the school. Adverts are subject to the approval of the Governing Body.



## Extreme Weather/Heating Emergencies

With winter here it is to be hoped that inclement weather is not serious, and that the heating system works effectively. If this happens not to be the case and the school is forced to close, then the following will be sources of information;



- A text message will be sent to all parents (**it is of vital importance we have an up to date mobile number contacts for every child**)
- The County Council web site carries information on schools that are closed
- CFM and Radio Cumbria will be informed, and closure details will be included in their broadcasts
- The school web site will be updated underneath the 'Weather Warnings' link



### 0 – 19 Child and Family Support Service – Allerdale



### Busy Builders

Our Brick Club is based on LEGO therapy and is around collaborative play in which children work together to build LEGO models. The aim of the group is to help children to develop social interaction skills in a friendly, fun setting. Children will be able to practice key skills of collaboration, joint attention, sharing, turn taking, eye contact, communication, social problem-solving and compromise all whilst having fun and building some amazing models.

Suitable for children ages 6-10 years.

Sessions will take place at:

Workington Children's Centre

Dates: Mondays 27<sup>th</sup> September to 6<sup>th</sup> December

Time: 3.30pm to 5pm



For further information or to book your place, please contact:

Joanne Dixon on 07815686886

or by email at joanne.dixon family-action.org.uk

or

Kim Broatch on 07815687434

or by email at kimberley.broatch family-action.org.uk

## Coats

We are now asking all children to wear their coats at lunchtimes and playtimes over the winter months. Please ensure they come to school with a coat and **one that has their name in** – thanks!



School coats which are fully waterproof and have a hood and reflective strips are available online from Border Embroideries.

<https://www.border-embroideries.co.uk/schools/beckstone-primary-school.html>

**BEGINNERS CLASSES ENROLLING NOW**  
[www.cumbriacoastkarate.co.uk](http://www.cumbriacoastkarate.co.uk)

FREE TRIAL

**CUMBRIA COAST KARATE**

IN MARTIAL ARTS

**ADULTS, TEENS, BOYS AND GIRLS, AGED 6 YEARS OLD ABOVE**

<b>HIGH HARRINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE</b> <b>TUESDAYS 6pm-8pm</b> <b>SUNDAYS 5pm-7pm</b>	<b>ST BEES SECONDARY SCHOOL MEMORIAL HALL</b> <b>THURSDAYS 6pm-8pm</b>
<b>LAMPLUGH VILLAGE HALL</b> <b>MONDAYS 6pm-8pm</b>	<b>THE GATHER ENNERDALE</b> <b>WEDNESDAYS 6pm-8pm</b>

LEARN KARATE IN A FAMILY FRIENDLY CLUB  
BUILT SELF CONFIDENCE  
IMPROVE SELF ESTEEM  
IMPROVE FITNESS  
LOSE WEIGHT  
LEARN HOW TO USE IN SELF DEFENCE  
FAMILIES TRAINING TOGETHER

**07543 876490**  
(THIS NUMBER DOES NOT ACCEPT TEXT MESSAGES)

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE FIRST AID TRAINED AND DBS CHECKED

## Nursery Intakes

Children born between **1 September 2018** and **31 December 2018** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **January 2022**.



Children born between **1 January 2019** and **31 March 2019** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week Nursery education from **April 2022**.



Children born between **1 April 2019** and **31 August 2019** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **September 2022**.

**If you know of any children with birth dates between these times and would like their child to come to this school, then please ask them to get in touch with the School Office as soon as possible.**

Forms for applying for any of these intakes can be downloaded from the Cumbria County Council web site

<https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/childrensservices/schoolsandlearning/lss/schooladmissions.asp> (or use the



QR code) ring the School Office and we can post them out. When returning the form we need to see the Birth Certificate and a proof of address



### **Beckstone's Extended Services**

Our extended services include the Breakfast Club (£4.00 from 7.30am, £3.50 from 8am) Last entry is at 8.30am; Educare (our popular afternoon child care provision for morning Nursery children – see table at the top of the next page – please note these places **MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE**) with pick up times at 2.15pm and 3.15pm Please note that unfortunately we are unable to offer facilities for packed lunches for Nursery children.

Beckstone Xtra (again £3.50 an hour) runs from the end of the school day until 5.15pm with an earlier pick up time of 4.15pm if required. Beckstone Xtra is available from 3.15 to 5.15pm for anyone who books in advance via bookings@beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk or simply use the QR code.



The prices for our extended services are extremely competitive to support families in these difficult economic times. The price per hour is only £3.50. This is very good value and an extremely competitive rate for child care.



### **30 HOURS ENTITLEMENT**

Sessions will run from:

11:50 a.m. — 2:15 p.m. (2 hours)

11:50 a.m. — 3:15 p.m. (3 hours)

A charge of **£1.70 per day** will be required to cover the cost of a school dinner and midday care.

Payment can be made in cash in a named envelope or by Computershare or Edenred Childcare Vouchers.

Please contact the office to book Educare or for further details.

### **NON-ENTITLEMENT**

Sessions will run from:

11:50 a.m. — 2:15 p.m. = **£10.20** (including lunch)

11:50 a.m. — 3:15 p.m. = **£13.70** (including lunch)

Payment can be made in cash in a named envelope or by Computershare or Edenred Childcare Vouchers.

Please contact the office to book Educare or for further details.

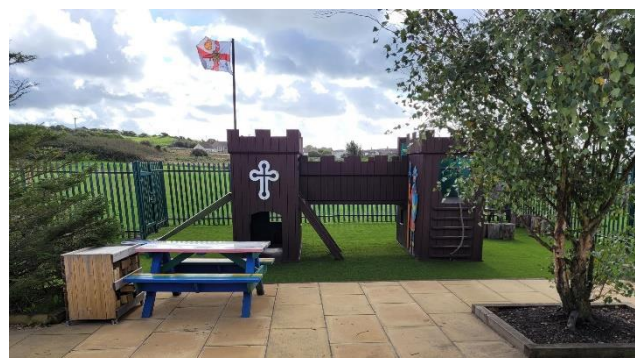
Please note 30 hour Scheme can be used in Breakfast Club and Beckstone Xtra.

### **Recent Outdoor Developments**

We have a new adventure playground that was open to the pupils this week:



We also have an artificial cushioned surface under the fort in the Reception garden for additional safety but also to make it completely accessible even during wet winter months:



## Social Media

Social media sites have a legal MINIMUM age for a reason, children's brains are not mature enough to understand texts out of context or share things that are inappropriate. Whatever they post could haunt them for their rest of their lives. See the minimum ages here;

APPS AND THEIR AGE RATINGS			
<b>13+</b>		<b>16+</b>	
Facebook	Snapchat	WhatsApp	
Instagram	Twitter		
TikTok	Kik	<b>17+</b>	<b>18+</b>
YouNow	Yubo	Sarahah	MeetMe
House Party	Monkey	YOLO	LiveMe

**We strongly urge you not to let your children use these sites.**

There is a parental guidance video presented by our own Ms Gorman on our web site which is well worth a watch. It is in the 'Parent Info' zone or follow the QR code.



Please protect their childhood and innocence. Please blame the school and if they say "Everyone is on them" then that is certainly not true! Tell them to say that to Mr Warbrick!!

## Uniform

A reminder that the uniform for Beckstone Primary is as follows:

- Dark navy sweatshirt
- Sky blue polo shirt
- Dark grey or black trousers/skirt
- Blue gingham dress
- Black shoes/trainers (**with no logos**)



Please do remember that the uniform consists of 'black' footwear...white or other colour trainers clearly are not covered by this ruling! In addition the shoes should be plain with no logos to prevent any additional expense for families.



Also please note only natural hair colours are allowed, there should be no dying of hair that incorporates colours such as red or blue.

Finally please note that the PE Kit on PE days should consist of **black** leggings/joggers and **black** trainers with no logos (please remember this when replacing their current ones), a light blue T shirt and sweatshirt on top. If it is a gymnastics day they can wear their shorts under their leggings/joggers.



## Harvest

October is traditionally the month of Harvest. To mark this celebratory time of year Key Stage 1 children will be performing Harvest songs for the school on **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October** in an assembly where we are asking for food donations for the local Foodbank. Further details of the food that would be welcomed are below.

Our Key Stage 1 pupils will then sing their Harvest songs in Church for parents from **2pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October**. **All parents are welcome. Parents to wear masks at the request of the Church – thanks.**

Children can go home from Church with a parent or will be escorted back to the school for the end of the school day.



**HELP SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY  
WITH A FOOD HARVEST COLLECTION**

### PLEASE HELP

Every year North Lakes Foodbank feeds around 6,000 people who are in 'Crisis'. Crisis is a term we use to describe someone who is going through a difficult time which have may a financial impact and leaving them short of money to buy food for a few days. When someone is in 'Crisis' they may be entitled to a food parcel which will give emergency food for 3 days. Please help by donating any of the food items listed.



Please help if you can.  
**THANK YOU!**

### HARVEST SHOPPING LIST

Milk UHT full fat  
Fruit Juice UHT 1 ltr  
Tinned Meat Balls  
Tinned Hot Dogs  
Tinned Chicken in White Sauce  
Sponge Pudding  
Tinned Tuna  
Tinned Fruit  
Jam  
Tinned Veg  
Tinned pasta eg Ravioli  
Pasta Sauce  
Tinned Custard  
Tinned Rice Pudding  
Baked Beans  
Instant Mash (single packets)

North Lakes Foodbank, Lorton Street Methodist Church,  
Lorton Street, Cokermouth CA13 9RH.

Tel: 07733338352 Email: [stuart@thefoodbank.org.uk](mailto:stuart@thefoodbank.org.uk)  
Charity Number: 1067541







### Foodbank Donations

Recent events have shown that



the school can be a focal point for supporting some of our more vulnerable school families. We are again reverting to links with the local Foodbank to provide food for those most vulnerable in our community. Donations are very much welcome and there is a collection bin in the green hut at the top of the school hill.

To support this initiative please think of our more vulnerable community members and buy some non-perishable food items you think would help feed children and donate regularly.

### Swimming

Swimming this year will focus on UKS2 with Year 6 swimming this term and Year 5 in the Spring.



The sessions will be an intensive one week of one hour sessions with an aim to get all children being able to swim 25m before the week is out (the minimum National Curriculum expectation).

The weeks this term are:

6HG/CC: Week beginning 4<sup>th</sup> October

6JM: Week beginning 15<sup>th</sup> November

Children will need a bag, a towel, appropriate swimwear and a hair brush or comb. Time is tight and the children will not have time for any 'beauty' treatments before returning to school on the bus!

Please can all note that **swimming is statutory and all should take part unless medical advice states otherwise.** There is no better sport for overall health than swimming. It's great for your heart and circulation, provides natural, low-impact resistance for building muscle and as it challenges your body it will help release endorphins - your body's natural pain and stress fighters which can fight off infection and also make you feel happy.



### Cinema Nights

These take place each half term. The ones planned for this half term take place in the last week of this half term with Reception & Key Stage 1 on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> and Key Stage 2 on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>. The films have a Halloween theme and are Monster Family for Reception and Key Stage 1 and The



Witches for Key Stage 2. Further details will go out in the near future. The cost for each night is £6, which will be payable on parentPay. The cost includes care and copious refreshments.



### How much sleep do children need?

Below are the approximate hours of sleep **needed** by children of different ages, as recommended recently in a Government Health report. We thought it may be of interest to you particularly when discussing bedtimes!

#### 3 years

- daytime: 0 to 45 minutes
- night-time: 11 hours 30 minutes to 12 hours

#### 4 years

- night-time: 11 hours 30 minutes

#### 5 years

- night-time: 11 hours

#### 6 years

- night-time: 10 hours 45 minutes

#### 7 years

- night-time: 10 hours 30 minutes

#### 8 years

- night-time: 10 hours 15 minutes

#### 9 years

- night-time: 10 hours

#### 10 years

- night-time: 9 hours 45 minutes

#### 11 years

- night-time: 9 hours 30 minutes



### Halloween



The last Friday of this half term, the day we break up (22<sup>nd</sup>) will be a Halloween, spooky themed day and your child is invited to come to school in costume and everyone who comes in a costume will be able to parade for the school.

*(Costumes can be sourced at competitive prices from supermarkets nearer the time).*



There will also be a Halloween themed lunch and parties with refreshments for all year groups (including Nursery!). The FAB are funding many of the festivities but a £1 donation towards costs would be most welcome and this can be paid through ParentPay



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DO YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN?

LOOKING FOR A NURSERY SETTING?

30 HRS FREE CHILDCARE FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

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 <b>St Gregory's Catholic Primary</b> 01900 606050	 <b>Westfield Nursery &amp; Primary</b> 01900 874000	 <b>Seaton Academy</b> 01900 66982	 <b>St Michael's Nursery &amp; Infant</b> 01900 608111

THE SCHOOLS ABOVE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ARRANGE A PRE-VISIT WITH YOU, TELL YOU MORE ABOUT THE SERVICES THEY OFFER OR ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS!

THIS ADVERT HAS BEEN PLACED THROUGH THE WORKINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOLS CONSORTIUM

# HELP!

## School Funds

**We need donations to this fund** as funds are really REALLY tight. The school fund is purely donation



based and is used to buy many consumable items and fun activities outside the remit of the school budget for the pupils as well as many other things for school that enable us to provide services free of charge.

Please have a ratch down the sofa or anywhere to find some spare money to donate to the school to support all the children.

**Please help if you can by donating to this fund.**



Now we have the ParentPay system we can offer the facility for families to make an automatic School Fund donation on a monthly basis, from their bank account even £2 per month would cumulate to a great fund to support activities in school. If you would like to support the school in this way please contact the School Office for further details on how to set this up or, if you would rather, for direct debit details.



## Amazon Smile

If you order from Amazon via the Amazon Smile app then Amazon will donate money to the school if you select Beckstone Primary School PTA & Friends from their Charity list. Please support this if you can.

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Over £31 million raised, Trustpilot 4.5 stars, 1.8 million users

## Allerdale Lottery

Allerdale's lottery is now live with a monthly draw. The top prize is £25,000 and it costs £1 a ticket. If you are going to play and you buy your ticket through our own Beckstone Primary Page then the school will receive **50p** for every ticket sold through our part of the site going forward. You can play once or pay by direct debit which costs £4.34 a month for one ticket in every weekly draw.

Play Are you a good cause? Menu Your account

Beckstone Primary School

First draw in 20 days

£5200 of £13000.00 target

7 tickets of 50 ticket goal

Buy tickets

There are a number of ways of winning. We have over 60 players assigned to our school and many have already won prizes!! For more information and to play through our page please go to: <https://www.allerdalelottery.com/support/beckstone-primary-school> or use the QR code:

Please share this link with friends and family.

## Facebook



The school has a live Facebook page – it is called “Beckstone Primary School (Official Facebook Group)”, you should be able to search for the group or you can use this address or QR code.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1922762928000636>

The top of the Facebook page should look like the image above...there appears to be other sites with the school name on but these are not official:

We have created this page to let you know when our school website is updated and to send messages. It is for information only and doesn't accept comments.

If you are a Facebook user and would like to receive news feeds and updates about the school, then don't forget to 'join' the group and select the “see first” button. The Facebook page has open access and will also contain links to updates on our web site and messages from school – there is no facility to message school, please use other methods. As a result, any photos etc. will only appear from our web site following clicking on a link. It is hoped this will dissuade children who are under 13 using Facebook but will allow adults to receive updates about the school.

Indeed, please note no children should have Facebook accounts under the age of 13 and applications to join the group will be refused/accounts will be deleted.



### QR Codes

QR stands for 'quick response'. QR Codes, if you don't know, are those funny black and white boxes you see in newspapers and magazines such as the image

alongside. These are placed within this newsletter at relevant points to give you quick access to websites mentioned. All you have to do is install a free QR code reader to your phone/tablet, just search the App/Play

Store using 'QR', and simply scan the code or you can just use your camera with more modern phones.

Why not try downloading it and scan this code and see if it works. It should take you directly to our school web site.



### High Harrington Community Centre

The Community Centre is in

Crooklands, High Harrington and is colloquially known

as the 'Green Hut'. It is a very competitively priced and useful resource for all in the community to use.

To hire this facility for any event once Covid restrictions are lifted for gatherings indoors then please contact Marjorie Rae on 01946 831004. The venue can be used for children or adult parties, meetings etc. and hire rates are very reasonable indeed once these are allowed. If you do hire this venue, please let Marjorie know you read about it in this newsletter.

The Ladies Club which runs every Tuesday from 1.30 to 3.45pm. A great opportunity to get to know new people and make new friends.

## Ladies Club

Tuesday  
from 1.30 to 3.45pm at High  
Harrington Community  
Centre.



All ages are welcome to  
attend.

*“A great opportunity to get to  
know new people and make new  
friends”*

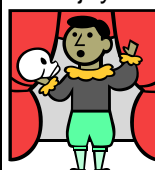
## Bingo

Due to the number isolating we decided to postpone Bingo at the end of term. This will now take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October, the penultimate day of term

We are asking parents for a donation of £4 towards this event (sweet cone, crisps, drink & Bingo book). This can be paid through ParentPay. For all those that paid in the summer then of course this credit will be carried forward. If you are not sure please contact the School Office.



It was great fun last time and all children and staff really enjoyed it.



## Class Assemblies & Other Performances

These can resume under new guidance. As a result each Stage in the school will put on a collaborative performance and there will be class assemblies from Y1 to Y5.







Early Years will stage Nativities with Nursery's performance for parents on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am and Reception's on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am.

Key Stage 1 will stage a Harvest Service for parents at Church at 2pm on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October. **Parents to wear masks at the request of the Church – thanks.**



Lower Key Stage 2 will stage a Christmas service on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. **Parents to wear masks at the request of the Church – thanks.**



Upper Key Stage 2 will stage a Christmas Service on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm. **Parents to wear masks at the request of the Church – thanks.**

Finally Year 6 will stage their Graduation performance on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

Class assembly dates are as follows:

1AF – 11<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
1/2AB/KM – 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022  
2SF – 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
3LS – 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
3JWa – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
4AN – 20<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
4AR – 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022  
5LJ – 14<sup>th</sup> January 2022  
5DP/AC – 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022



We hope you will be able to support these events, if not there will be videoed versions available from the School Office.

### Performance Recordings



Traditionally we have filmed performances and made DVDs available to purchase for parents at a cost of £3. We realise now that many families do not have DVD players anymore so can offer access to recordings via a protected site. Further details will go out when appropriate. There will be a charge as the funds raised from performance sales are vital for the school and we trust access won't be shared with other parents or on social media for this reason.



### Lost Property

The 'Lost Property Bench' has already had to be emptied! We cannot stress enough how important it is to label all your child's clothing and then it can be returned to them. Your children also need to take responsibility for going home from school with all the clothes they came in!



### Attendance



It is of the utmost importance to your child's education that they attend school consistently as learning is planned in a progressive way and one day follows on from the next in each subject. Of course there will be times when a child is too poorly to come to school or they have to isolate (the latter does not count as an absence on their attendance records). However these should be rare events as prompt regular attendance will really help your child do well at school.

### Childline



If you are concerned about the emotional health and wellbeing of your child then the charity Childline has a distinct web site for children of Primary age called Childline kids. The details are below: <https://www.childline.org.uk/kids>  
The site is very child friendly and contains advice on the following areas.

ADVICE FOR YOU			
<p><b>Emotional abuse</b> It's not ok for someone to hurt your feelings. We can help.</p>	<p><b>Neglect</b> If someone isn't looking after you properly, it's neglect. We can help.</p>	<p><b>Bullying</b> Find out what counts as bullying and how to get support.</p>	<p><b>Feelings</b> Learn about different feelings and how to cope with them</p>

In addition there are games to play, a mood calendar so you can spot patterns as well as an art box for children to draw their feelings if they are reluctant to talk. The phone line now has responders who deal solely with Primary aged children.

**WORRIED? WE'RE HERE TO LISTEN**

Call Childline on 0800 1111  
or visit [childline.org.uk/kids](https://www.childline.org.uk/kids)

**childline**  
ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME  
[childline.org.uk](https://www.childline.org.uk) | 0800 1111

Whatever your worry, call us and a friendly person will be there to listen. It's free, you don't have to tell us your name, and we're here all day and night.





## Parent Governor

We have had 3 applications for the position of Parent Governor. As a result there will be elections next week.

The 3 candidates are Laurie Black (pictured below)



Danielle Leigh (pictured below)



and Simon Turk (again pictured below).



They have all written statements to support their candidacy. You will receive a link by text **TODAY** (1<sup>st</sup> October) to the ballot form which will include their statements for you to read to make an informed choice. There are 2 vacancies and the successful candidates will represent your views for the next 4 years so it is important choice as the Governors decide the policies and direction of the school. You have until next Thursday (7<sup>th</sup> October) to register your vote. You will need to enter your email address to vote and there is only ONE vote per parent allowed.



## Governors

The first face to face Governors' meeting since the last lockdown will take place this month on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October. There is a lot to discuss and there will be a report in the next newsletter.

## Lantern Making & Parade



There will be a lantern parade at 6pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November from school to the Nature Reserve. Children are invited to take part with torches, lanterns or musical instruments. Some Year Groups will be making their own lanterns in school. The event is being organised by Workington Nature Partnership. You are welcome to join your children in the Parade and will need coats and hair tied back. There will be more information in the newsletter that will go out immediately after half term.

## Lockdown Tiled Wall Commemoration

We are also working with 'The Crafty Workshop' to develop a rainbow tiled mural at the top of the school hill which would include self-portraits of all the children who were at the school during the 2021 Pandemic lockdown. Last year's Year 6 have already created their tiles. It is hoped work will start on these before half term.



## BBC & Children in Need

The school has been contacted by the BBC and the BBC would like to film the school singing and dancing to 'Right By Your Side' by Calvin Harris. We will begin practising soon and hope to update you in next month's newsletter.

## Half Term Activities

### Holiday Activity Ideas



Please do make use of our 'Holiday Activity Zone' in the Parent Information Zone on our web

site. Whenever we get information about events and activities that take place in the school holidays, we post them to that zone.



## Remembrance Parade








The school will also be joining in the Harrington Remembrance Parade in the morning of the 14<sup>th</sup> November. The Parade will leave the British Legion at 9.15am and arrive at Church at 10am for a service and then a commemoration at the Cenotaph afterwards. We will soon be looking for pupil volunteers to represent the school on this historic occasion. Mrs Beecroft, Ms McKeating and Mrs Holliday have all kindly volunteered to lead the Parade for the school. Further details will be issued immediately after half term



We say goodbye until the end of the school year to Ms Gorman and Ms Maskew this month as they start their maternity leave. We wish them both well and look forward to hearing and seeing their new children. We will of course relay information on the new births to you via this newsletter.



# Term Dates until Summer 2023

	Autumn 2021	Spring 2022	Summer 2022	Autumn 2022	Spring 2023	Summer 2023
						
Start of Term	Thursday 2nd September	Wednesday 5th January	Wednesday 20th April May Day – Mon 2nd May	Wednesday 7th September	Wednesday 4th January	Monday 17th April May Day – Mon 1st
Half Term	Monday 25th October - Friday 29th October	Monday 14th February – Friday 18th February	Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June	Monday 24th October - Friday 28th October	Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
End of Term	Thursday 16th December	Friday 1st April	Wednesday 20th July	Tuesday 20th December	Friday 31st March	Wednesday 19th July

## October

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> – Strive for Five draw  
 Week beg. 4th Oct – 6HG/CC - Intensive swimming week  
 Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – 1AF/RM trip to Whinlatter  
 Tue 5<sup>th</sup> – Y1&2 football competition at St Joseph's  
 Wed 6<sup>th</sup> – Y1 hearing tests  
 Thu 7<sup>th</sup> – 1AB/KM trip to Whinlatter  
 Fri 8<sup>th</sup> – 2SF trip to Whinlatter  
 - Ms Gorman's last day before maternity leave  
 Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Harvest Donation Day  
 - KS1 Harvest Service at Church 2pm  
 - Parents' Evening 'Drop In' re: settling in & wellbeing  
 Thu 14<sup>th</sup> & Friday 15<sup>th</sup> – Class Circuits sessions in Gymnastics slots  
 Fri 15<sup>th</sup> – Non Uniform day to support anti-racist charities – 'Wear Red'  
 - Strive for Five Draw  
 Mon 18<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Lantern Making Workshop  
 - YR & KS1 Cinema Night  
 Tue 19<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Lantern Making Workshop  
 Staffing & Finance committee 5pm  
 - Governors AGM 6pm  
 Wed 20<sup>th</sup> – Nasal Flu Day  
 - KS2 Cinema Night  
 Thu 21<sup>st</sup> – Bingo afternoon  
 Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Halloween themed day  
 - Ms Maskew's last day before maternity leave  
 - Break up for half term  
**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> – HALF TERM**  
 Sun 31<sup>st</sup> – Clocks go back



## Dates Later in School Year

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Nov – Y5&6 High Five Netball competition  
 Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Multi Skills after school club starts for 6 weeks  
 Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Nov – Lantern Parade 6pm  
 Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Nov – Chocolate & Bottle Non Uniform Day  
 - Strive for Five  
 Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y3&4 Quicksticks Hockey tournament  
 Thu 11<sup>th</sup> Nov – Remembrance silence  
 Fri 12<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need Non Uniform day  
 Sun 14<sup>th</sup> – School Remembrance Parade  
 Tue 16<sup>th</sup> Nov – Y3&4 Bench ball competition – St Joseph's  
 Week beg. 15<sup>th</sup> Nov – Intensive swim week 6JM  
 Thu 18<sup>th</sup> – FAB meeting 3.30pm  
 Fri 19<sup>th</sup> Nov – Strive for Five  
 Week beg. 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Early Years 'Come & Play' week  
 Fri 26<sup>th</sup> Nov – Takeover Day  
 Tue 30<sup>th</sup> – Reception Whinlatter Trip  
 Thu 2<sup>nd</sup> & Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Class circuits sessions  
 Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – Christmas Fundraising Fun Day  
 - Strive for Five  
 Tue 7<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nursery Nativity 9.30am  
 - KS2 Bocca competition  
 Wed 8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Reception Nativity 9.30am  
 - YR & KS1 Cinema Night  
 Thu 9<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Dinner Day  
 - KS2 Cinema Night  
 Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y5&6 Carol Service 2pm  
 Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Y3&4 Carol Service 2pm  
 Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Dec – Community Carol Singing in the Square 10.30am  
 - Strive for Five Draw  
 Wed 5<sup>th</sup> Jan – Children start back  
 Mon 10<sup>th</sup> Jan – Y5&6 Dodgeball competition  
 Tue 18<sup>th</sup> Jan – Y1&2 Dodgeball competition  
 Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Jan – Beauty & the Beast – M&M Prods  
 Tue 1<sup>st</sup> Feb – Curriculum & Pupil Committee & Governors  
 Tue 8<sup>th</sup> Feb – Young Voices Trip to Manchester  
 - Dodgeball competition  
 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> Feb – Break up for half term  
 Week beg. Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Parents' Evenings  
 Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb – Table Tennis competition  
 Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Feb – Y1&2 Multi Skills tournament  
 Tue 1<sup>st</sup> March – Pancake day  
 - Ducks eggs arrive  
 Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> March – World Book Day  
 Week beg. 7<sup>th</sup> Mar – Intensive swim week for a Y5 class  
 Fri 11<sup>th</sup> March – Ducks leave  
 Week beg. 14<sup>th</sup> Mar – Intensive swim week for a Y5 class  
 Tue 15<sup>th</sup> & wed 16<sup>th</sup> – United Utilities visiting Y5&6  
 Fri 16<sup>th</sup> – Comic Relief/Red Nose Day  
 Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Mar – Y3&4 Dodgeball competition  
 - KS1 & R cinema Night  
 Tue 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar – Governors  
 Wed 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar – KS2 Cinema Night  
 Tue 29<sup>th</sup> Mar – Y3&4 Football competition  
 Thu 31<sup>st</sup> Mar & Fri 1<sup>st</sup> Apr – Class circuits sessions  
 Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Apr – Break up for Easter  
 Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Apr – Children Start back  
 Thu 28<sup>th</sup> – Class Photos  
 Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank Holiday  
**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> – Thu 12<sup>th</sup> May – KS1 & KS2 SATs Week**  
 Tue 10<sup>th</sup> May – Y3&4 Rounders competition  
 Tue 17<sup>th</sup> May – Kicky Rounders competition  
 Fri 27<sup>th</sup> May – Break up for half term  
**Week beg. Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jun – KS1 Phonics Screening Check**  
 - **3 week window for Y4 Times Table Check**  
 Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Jun – Reception Multi Skills festival  
 Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Jun – Y1&2 Kinder cricket competition  
 Tue 21<sup>st</sup> Jun – Y5&6 Football competition  
 Tue 26<sup>th</sup> Jun – Y5&6 Cricket Competition  
 Tue 5<sup>th</sup> Jul – Sports Day  
 Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Jul – Reception Beacon Trip  
 - County Finals (fingers crossed for teams there!)  
 Thu 7<sup>th</sup> Jul – Sports Day reserve  
 Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Jul – Y6 Graduation  
 Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Jul – Y1&2 Kinder cricket competition #2  
 Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Jul – Y5&6 Tennis competition  
 Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Jul – Nursery Beacon trip  
 Thu 14<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Graduation ceremony  
 Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Jul – Meet new classes  
 Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Jul – Reports Out & Curriculum Evening  
 Tue 19<sup>th</sup> Jul – FUN day  
 Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Jul – Break up for Summer

