

Beckstone Primary Newsletter



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Dear Parents/Carers



Welcome back to a new school year and to some of you welcome to your first

Beckstone Primary School newsletter. If it is your first newsletter then 'Thank You' for entrusting your child's education to us. We will do our utmost to ensure they have a highly valuable, enjoyable, enriching and successful time with us over their Primary career.

I hope you all had a wonderful summer and your children are well rested and keen and enthusiastic to return to school.

Please take the time to read this newsletter carefully. It is full of useful information and includes some changes to policies and procedures that all parents should note. We are again sending out a paper copy and will be canvassing opinion on your preferences soon as to whether paper copies are valued, there is an expense to this but is the newsletter more likely to be read?

I hope you find the information in this newsletter useful and informative. Please do let me know if there is ever anything you would like explained or detailed further in any newsletter and I will endeavour to ensure there are articles that help in future editions.

Best wishes,

Mr Warbrick

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- ❖ Free repeat medication check- up service

Opening hours

Mon-Fri 9am-5.30pm

Sat 9am-12.30pm



2023-24 Procedures & Organisation

Please can all parents note the following:

Start of the Day

- The school gates open to all year groups from 8.45am daily. Please can all parents ensure the **punctuality** of their child(ren). The start of the day procedures will be the same as the end of last term. Early Years and KS1 to line up the hill. Nursery and Reception children to go through the yard, Reception to classes and Nursery (see below), KS1 children to come through the playground gate and make their way to class. KS2 to line up outside the gate and make their own way into class once the gate is opened.
- Nursery Drop Off - Arrangements change from last term today with all Nursery parents leaving their children in the Nursery cloakroom and picking them up from their child's zone in the classroom.
- School must be notified before the start of the day of any absence. Registers are checked first thing and families are contacted if there is an unexplained absence. If no response from families is forthcoming **then the Police will be contacted.**

End of the Day

The school day finishes at 3.15pm. Nursery, Reception and Key Stage 1 children need to be collected by an adult from the front yard. KS2 children have the option of leaving by the front or through the gate at the back and along the path. Please ensure KS2 children know their collection arrangements. Please also can you instil in your children that if the usual collection arrangements are not in place that they come back to school as a place of safety and we will sort from here. In addition, if there is human error or a child forgets a club the same applies. 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.



School Uniform

All children **MUST** be in school uniform. Full details about our uniform are on our web site but in a nutshell The uniform consists of:

- School or dark blue sweat shirt, school or dark blue fleece, school or light blue polo shirt. Please ensure these are the right colours either through Border embroideries or without logos from Asda, Matalan etc. The uniform from Haig Embroideries is the wrong colour and they have assured us and the Legal department of the County they will stop selling it until they can source the correct colour.
- Grey or black tailored trousers or knee length skirts (not sports trousers/tracksuit trousers UNLESS it is a PE day)
- Dark deck shorts or blue gingham or pinafore dresses
- *Low heeled* footwear, shoes or trainers. These need **to be black with no promotional logos.**

The various items of uniform are modelled below.



Uniform items can be purchased through supermarkets or branded items can be ordered via 'Border Embroideries' by following this link or QR code:

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





The school now has a well-stocked set of good quality used uniforms that are available FREE to any family that would like to use this service. Please see the details on the poster on the top of this page if you would like to use this service. Uniforms can be collected from the School Office.

Please also note that:

- **Only natural hair colours** are allowed
- the only jewellery allowed are stud ear-rings (which have to be covered for PE) and watches. No bracelets, necklaces etc are allowed for health and safety reasons
- Nail varnish should not be worn

PE Kits - Your child can come in PE Kit on 2 days a week from KS1 up...school or light blue T shirt (**NOT football tops or branded sportswear**), leggings or tracksuit trousers. They MUST wear a school uniform sweatshirt or cardigan on top unless it is a non-uniform day and **black trainers**. Your child will need plimsolls that can be left in their locker. PE Kits will be monitored and RAG ratings included in the end of year report.

EY children will need to have their PE Kit in school as they will learn to change too (a life skill). Their PE Kit is a light blue T shirt and black shorts plus plimsolls.

P.E. Kits



Please make a note of your child's PE days:

Nursery	PE Kit to be left in school & will be sent home every half term to be washed
Reception	
1/2AF	Monday & Wednesday
1/2AN	Monday & Wednesday
1/2DT	Monday & Wednesday
3LS	Wednesday & Thursday
3/4SF	Wednesday & Thursday
4KB	Wednesday & Thursday
5RM	Monday & Tuesday
5LJ	Monday & Tuesday
6CC	Monday & Tuesday
6JM	Monday & Tuesday

Free school meals and clothing grant

£500,000 worth of additional funding has been allocated to the school clothing grant fund as part of a new £2m cost of living reserve fund. This means that eligible parents will now receive a clothing grant worth £50 for each primary school child, up from £25, and £100 for each secondary school child, up from £35.

Your child may be able to get free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Income Support
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)

We ask that **ALL ELIGIBLE PARENTS OF PUPILS FROM NEXT YEAR'S RECEPTION UP TO YEAR 6 fill in the school meals registration form** that is available online through the Cumbria County Council 'Citizen Portal'. This can be found by searching for it on the internet, using the link below or following the QR code. If you need help please ask the School Office.



https://emsonline.cumbria.gov.uk/CitizenPortal_LIVE/en
If you're eligible, **make sure you apply for free school meals if you haven't already so that you receive your school clothing grant too.** It only takes 5 minutes.

To apply then follow this link or the QR code. Once completed the system will let you know if you are eligible.

School Organisation

- Early Years (EY)** { **Nursery** – 4 Key Worker Groups
2 X **Reception** classes – RJWh & RJT
- Key Stage 1 (KS1)** { 3 X **Year 1 & 2** Classes – 1/2AF; 1/2AN & 1/2DT
- Lower Key Stage 2 (LKS2)** { 1 X **Year 3** Class – 3LS
1 X **Year 3/4** Class – 3/4SF
1 X **Year 4** Class – 4KB
- Upper Key Stage 2 (UKS2)** { 2 X **Year 5** Classes – 5LJ & 5RM
2 X **Year 6** Classes. – 6JM & 6CC



Stage Heads:
Foundation: Mrs White
Key Stage 1: Mrs Needham
Lower Key Stage 2: Mr Fleming
Upper Key Stage 2: Ms McGill



The position of your child's class is shown on the displayed diagram on the next page along with the staffing structure of the school

Industrial Action

The good news for the term is that all Unions are ceasing industrial action so there will be no further strike days. A pay rise for teachers for the coming year was agreed (there was no change to last year's award which was the focus of the strikes). Despite claims in the media the pay rise is not fully funded, the Government is funding 3% of the rise and the school has to find the other 3.5% from its existing budget.



Playground Safety

In order to ensure everyone's safety please can we remind all families that dogs are not allowed on site. In addition, scooters or bikes should also not be used in the playground areas of the school.



For the safety of all our children please can all parents who may access the school via the front yard please ensure they close the playground gate as they go in and when the leave.



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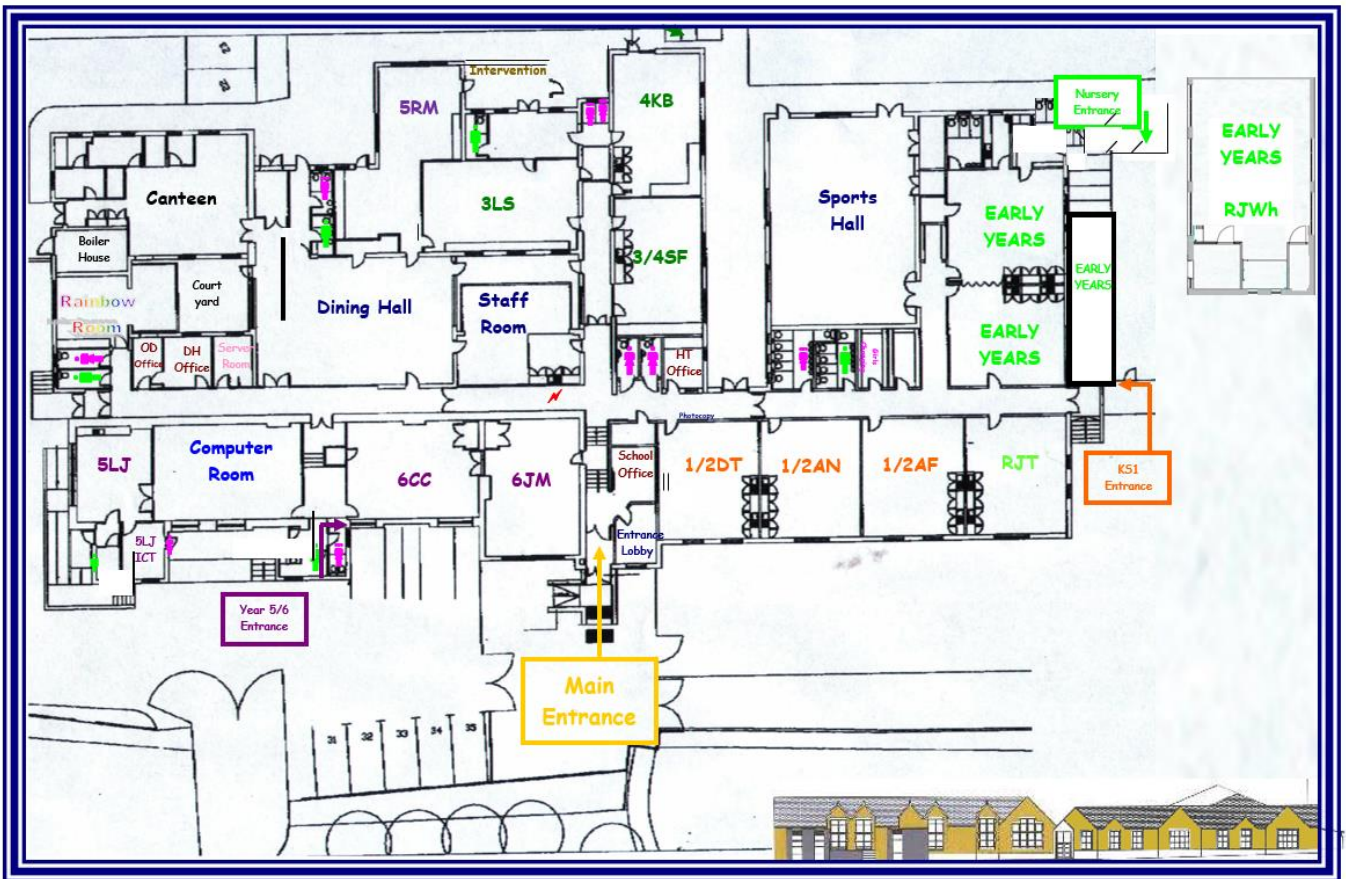
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Platinum Sports – National Recognition



The amazing success the school has had in sport over the past year, as detailed in the July newsletter and reproduced on the 'Sporting Roll of Honour' on the page after next, has resulted in the school being again awarded the national Platinum (above bronze, silver & gold!) award for its sporting provision. The PE team of Ms Jackson, Mrs Chambers, Mrs Neesham & Mrs Thomson do a amazing job and have been integral to the school receiving this award.

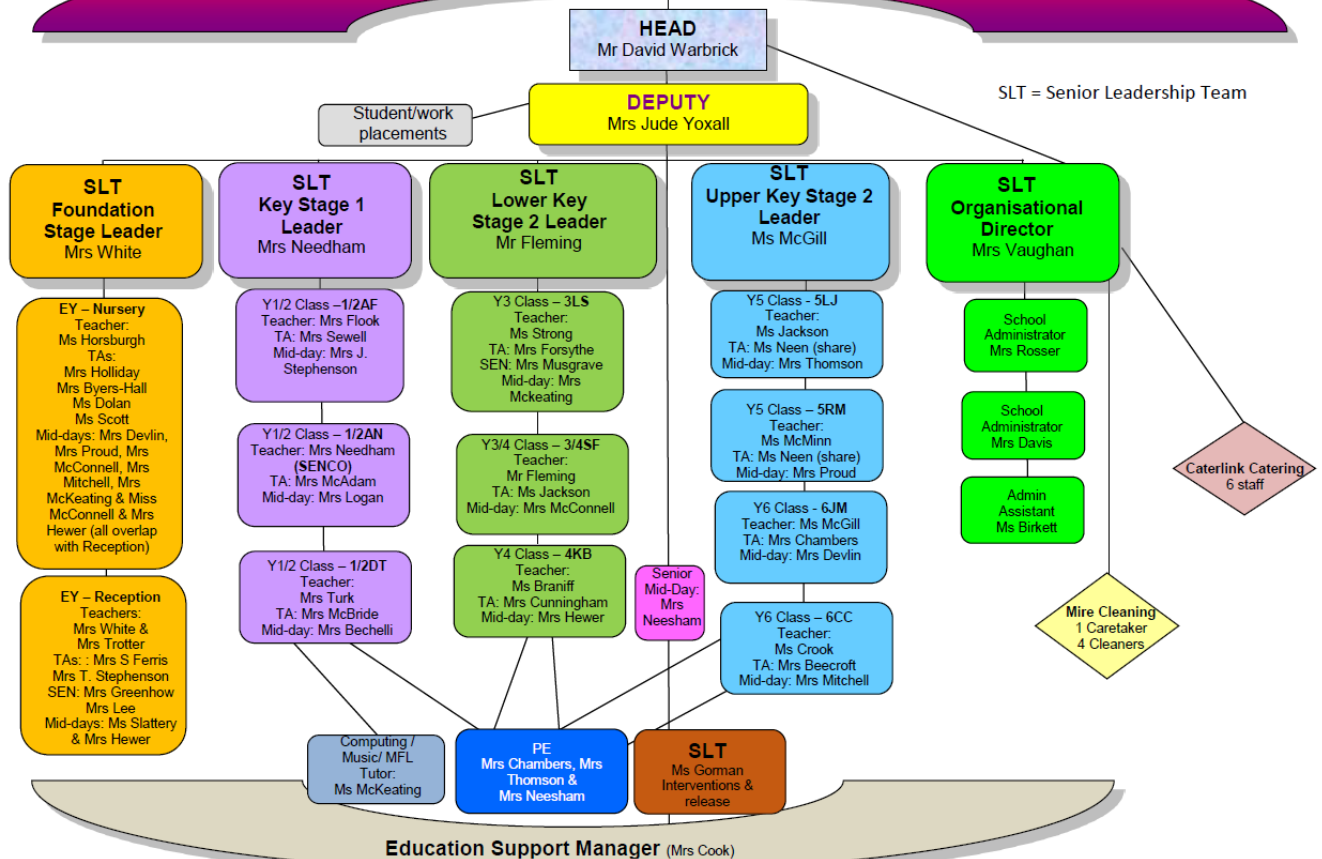




Staffing Structure 2023/24



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Sporting Success



The school very much complies with the PE national curriculum and the sporting objectives/aims placed on schools since the introduction of 'Sugar Tax' sports funding. All pupils complete a minimum of 2 hours sport a week, there are many opportunities for sporting activity at play and break times and over the year a multitude of out of school sports club. Our emphasis on sport has resulted in many sporting successes over the course of this year as the very impressive 'Sporting Roll of Honour' shows below.



Sporting Roll of Honour 2022/23

September:

27th - KS1 Multi Skills - Certificate **WINNERS**

October:

18th October - Year 5&6 Benchball - **WINNERS**

November:

2nd - Workington High 5 Netball (UKS2) - **WINNERS**

9th - Year 3 & 4 Hockey - **WINNERS**

15th - Year 3 & 4 Benchball - **Runners Up**

16th - High 5 Netball Allerdale Final L2 (UKS2) - **WINNERS**

30th - UKS2 Dodgeball Championships - Level 1 - **Runners Up**

December:

6th - KS2 Inclusive Boccia - **WINNERS & Runners Up**

January:

11th - UKS2 Dodgeball Championships - Level 2 - **WINNERS**

17th - Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball Team 'A' & 'B' - **WINNERS & WINNERS**

February:

7th - KS2 Dodgeball - **WINNERS**

8th - Multi Sport Festival Y3&4 - Festival & Certificate **WINNERS**

9th - Year 3 & 4 Quicksticks Hockey - Festival & Certificate **WINNERS**

10th - Allerdale Key Steps Gymnastics Competition - UKS2 **WINNERS & LKS2 Runners Up**

14th - Allerdale Table Tennis Team 'A' & 'B' - **WINNERS & 3rd**

March:

1st - Year 3 & 4 Multi Sports - Festival - Multiple Certificate **WINNERS**

21st - LKS2 Dodgeball - **WINNERS**

27th - County Key Steps Gymnastics Final - 6th

28th - Year 3 & 4 Football Tournament - **Runners Up**

May:

9th - Year 3 & 4 Rounders - **WINNERS**

10th - Year 1 & 2 Football Tournament - **WINNERS**

16th - Year 1 & 2 Kicky Rounders - **Runners Up**

22nd - UKS2 Kwik Cricket - **WINNERS**

23rd - KS1 Football - **WINNERS**

24th - County Cross Country Girls - **WINNERS, 2nd & 3rd**

June:

13th - Reception Multi Skills Festival - Certificate **WINNERS**

16th - KS1 Kinder Cricket - Festival & Certificate **WINNERS**

16th - UKS2 Football - **WINNERS**

21st - Tag Rugby - LKS2 - **WINNERS** UKS2 **WINNERS**

9th - Year 1 to 3 Commonwealth Games Festival

23rd - Workington Football Cups - KS1 **WINNERS** LKS2 **WINNERS** UKS2 - **Runners Up**

30th - County Girls Football Competition - **Runners Up**

July:

4th - Workington Swimming Gala - **WINNERS**

7th - LKS2 Football - **Runners Up**

10th & 12th - Intra School Football Competitions

Sports Day - Cancelled due to weather



Sporting Values Trophies



The school awards trophies for sporting behaviour on a termly basis. The children who won trophies for showing specific sporting values last term can be seen in the Sporting zone of our web site. They are also shown below and they were awarded the trophies in assembly in early January. Their trophies are kept with them in class for the term. Trophies will be re-awarded at the start of the Spring term.

Key Stage 1



DETERMINATION



HONESTY



Charlotte



Tillie



RESPECT



SELF BELIEF



Clay



Grace



PASSION



TEAMWORK



Hudson



Anderson



Owen



Alice



Lara



Freya



Ethan



Scarlette

Workington Swimming Gala

The Workington Swimming Gala took place on Tuesday 4th July. Our team were amazing and stormed to victory. We were very proud of them. The team and the resulting final scoreboard are pictured below:



TEAM	Points	Place
Ashfield	51	2
Beckstone	65	1
St Patricks	35	3
Victoria	31	4

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UKS2 Intensive Swim Weeks



Each of the UKS2 classes has a week of swimming during next half term (**dates on back page**). 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). Swimming times are 2 to 3pm so the class will arrive slightly later than normal finish time on these weeks.

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 note that spectators are not allowed in for these sessions.



Workington Amateur Swimming Club



In relation to the above and to help with next year's team (!) we would encourage you to explore the possibility of enrolling your child in Workington Swimming Club if your child enjoys swimming. Swimming is a very enjoyable sport and is a very effective way of getting and keeping fit at any age. As well as developing strokes the club provides opportunities to swim in teams and races and be a potential future member of the school swimming team. The Club meets on a Monday and Friday at 7pm and **new members are always welcome**. Children from Reception upwards who can swim can join if they wish.

For further information:

Club E-Mail:

workingtonasc@outlook.com

Phone Number: **07846 363 973**

or alternatively you can complete a contact form online at <https://workingtonasc.com/contact-the-club/> or follow the QR code.





**Y1 –Y6 Meet the Teacher –
Wellbeing & Progress Update**

Tuesday 10th October & Wednesday 11th 2023



Please make a note of the dates for the 'Meet the Teacher Wellbeing & Progress' update meetings at school.

These appointments will allow you to discuss how your child is settling into their new class and how they are progressing towards their projected end of year outcomes at this stage of the year.

Also within this time there will hopefully be an opportunity to try some small tasters of the school meals and discuss them with canteen staff. 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 attending together.

Details on how to book appointments will be sent home towards the end of this month.



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.**

There will be a crèche on these days as we would like your child to accompany you to the appointment so they are part of the discussions and siblings are out of earshot. The crèche will be in Nursery.

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

**Reception Parental
Phonics Training and
Follow Up**



On Tuesday 10th or Wednesday 11th there is a Phonics training session for Reception parents from 3.30 to 4pm. This session is aimed at helping parents support their children in learning their phonetic sounds and representation which is the key to success in early reading.

There are optional open sessions after each phonics training session to discuss any concerns they may have about their child with the teacher.

Nursery will be meeting parents next half term.

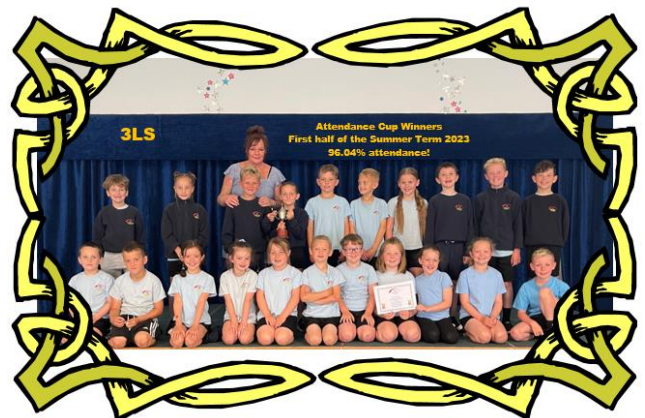
Parent Pledge

Last year the Department for Education asked all schools to issue a pledge to their parents that they will be kept informed of their progress in English and Maths termly and also to be informed if they are falling behind and what the school is doing to help them 'catch up'. As a school we fully back this pledge particularly as it is nothing new to us and what we have had in place for years. Our pledge is reproduced on the next page for your information. We hope you agree that we also strive to engage you in the support of your children and keep you informed.



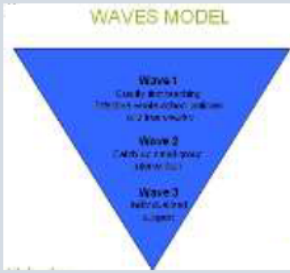
Attendance

The class with the best attendance for the second half of the summer term was again 3LS (the class had the best attendance for 5 out of the 6 half terms so far – **a record!!**). They are pictured below with the trophy and their certificate.





PARENT PLEDGE



Each child is a unique learner with strengths and needs in all subjects. Each teacher is committed to planning a responsive learning experience in their class that meets each child's needs, and that is both challenging and inspiring. Our teaching aims to always be of high quality, in all subjects and we are passionate about enabling your child to reach their potential. We understand that occasionally some children need extra support to stay on track, so our 'Parent Pledge' outlines what this might look like for your child.

We will provide timely, targeted, evidence based and appropriate support to any pupil falling behind in English or Maths and have ensured our budget plan allows for this. As a parent you can expect regular feedback on your child's attainment and progress based on ongoing regular assessment and any additional support being given using our 'Wave' model as described below.



Wave 1 – Quality First Teaching – Universal Support

Wave 1 is the effective inclusion of all children in a daily, high quality Literacy and Mathematics lesson.

Wave 1 Strategies at Beckstone Primary would include:

1. Effective differentiation / Success Criteria and clear Learning Objectives
2. Use of practical resources, diagrams and frames to support learning
3. Planning in small steps using recall and retrieval strategies
4. Peer and self- assessment
5. Use of Literary Curriculum and Literacy Leaves for reading
6. Clear modelling and use of examples
7. Regular and systematic teaching of reading
8. Explicit and unpicking of vocabulary
9. Ensuring 100% participation



Wave 2 Intervention – Additional support in class

Wave 2 is additional time-limited provision, in the form of small-group intervention (4-8 children), to accelerate progress and enable children to work at age - related expectations. Wave 2 interventions are supplementary to quality first teaching.

You will be informed of what strategies may be being used by your child at the regular face to face meetings or via SeeSaw. These may be one of these but these are not exclusive and other tailored strategies may be used:



1. Maths	Reading	Writing
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Minute Box 1-1 • 5 Minute Box group teaching of to 4 children • Maths Passports to target time tables knowledge • Use of TA prior to learning to pre teach learning • No Nonsense Maths intervention • IT software to target key gaps in knowledge • Reintroduction of concrete resources to consolidate understanding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Nonsense Phonics Intervention sessions • Reading Plus • Catch Up Reading • IDL • Reciprocal Reading • Lightning Squad Intervention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Success in Spelling • 5 Minute Box Phonics • No Nonsense Phonics Intervention • Sentence Writers resources • Marvellous Spelling

Wave Three – Academic Interventions

Wave 3 is additional provision, if gaps have not closed in Wave 2. This will take the form of very small-group intervention (1-3), to enable children to make accelerated progress. Wave 3 interventions are short term, focused interventions with a planned staged structure to ensure children do not become dependent on adult support.



Individualised packages of support will be deployed for targeted periods of time to accelerate progress. These academic interventions may take place at times when others are in assembly, singing, at lunch etc. They may also involve additional school staff who may not be the child's classroom staff. Progress and impact of the interventions will be carefully tracked. You will be informed if your child is receiving this support and you may be asked to support your child at home too with guidance from school.

PARENTS' PLEDGE TO THE SCHOOL



We expect our community to uphold the school's vision and values to promote learning and excellence. As a result this means parents working in partnership with us to ensure:

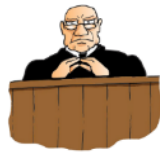
- Our high expectations of learning and behaviour are supported in the home.
- Your child accesses the full curriculum through aiming for 100% attendance and not taking your child out of school for holidays
- Celebration of positive attitudes and achievement at home
- The school is informed of any issues affecting your child's health or welfare.

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 and this can't be helped but this should be a rarity.



However, these should be rare events as prompt regular attendance will really help your child do well at school.

Planning holidays in term time is to the detriment of your child's education.



Term Time Holidays and the Law

The Government's policy of not allowing families to take holidays in term time and those that do being liable to prosecution and a fine is still in operation. We would like to ensure all families are aware of this law.

The Headteacher is not allowed to authorise absence and indeed any holiday absences in term time will be counted as 'unauthorised' (which equates to a truancy mark) and may be subject to a fixed penalty notice/fine.

Parents need to fill in a leave of absence form if their child is going to be missing from school (this is of vital importance as the school immediately chases up any unknown absences on the day itself and if the child's whereabouts is not known then the Police are notified – this is school policy). Parents can apply for 'exceptional circumstances' on this form if they so wish. It is imperative that school knows where your child is for safeguarding reasons.



Term Time Holidays & Tests

There is active discouragement of taking holidays in term time as it disrupts a child's learning.

Taking time off at the statutory testing time needs to be avoided completely.

3 weeks from week beg. 5th June – Y4 Times Table tests

Week beginning 12th June –Y1 Phonics Screening Check

If you are planning trips next year please avoid the following dates in 2024:

KS1 Optional SATs – The month of May 2024

KS2 SATs - Week beg. 13th May 2024

Y1 & Y2 Phonics Screening Check Week – Week beg. 10th June 2024

Y4 Times Table Check – 2 weeks from Monday 3rd June

Term Dates to Summer 2026

Term Dates until Summer 2026

	Autumn 2023	Spring 2024	Summer 2024	Autumn 2024	Spring 2025	Summer 2025	Autumn 2025	Spring 2026	Summer 2026
Start of Term	Thursday 27 th September	Thursday 25 th January	Monday 2 nd April	Monday 2 nd September	Monday 27 th January	Monday 27 th April	Monday 27 th September	Monday 27 th January	Monday 27 th April
Half Term	Monday 22 nd October - Friday 26 th October	Monday 22 nd February - Friday 26 th February	Monday 22 nd March - Friday 26 th March	Monday 22 nd August - Friday 26 th August	Monday 22 nd December - Friday 26 th December	Monday 22 nd March - Friday 26 th March	Monday 22 nd July - Friday 26 th July	Monday 22 nd November - Friday 26 th November	Monday 22 nd February - Friday 26 th February
End of Term	Friday 26 th October	Friday 26 th February	Friday 26 th March	Friday 26 th August	Friday 26 th December	Friday 26 th March	Friday 26 th July	Friday 26 th November	Friday 26 th February

The new Cumberland Council has been very pro-active with term dates and has published them well in advance so it should help all families planning holidays so they don't affect their child's learning. The dates are freely available on our web site and are published in full on the back page of this newsletter.



Respect

We all want what is best for your child. As a school we are striving hard to ensure we support your child and in turn you support the school in its endeavours. The school is very approachable and we will do our utmost to sort any problems or issues, all has to be dealt with in a courteous manner though.

Following some disrespectful instances last academic year we have changed our policy and any abusive behaviour either verbally, on the phone or in writing will be taken very seriously and sanctions will be put in place to prevent any further instances. We would expect that the sanctions would be very rarely needed as all should now be aware we now have a zero-tolerance policy for any such behaviour.

ZERO TOLERANCE

Our staff have the right to be treated with respect and dignity at all times.

Aggressive and abusive behaviour will not be tolerated.

We are here to help you, please treat others as you wish to be treated.

WhatsApp/Social Media

We are finding that social media is often used to air grievances about school decisions and protocols when reasons for these decisions are multi-faceted and are always underpinned by having the best interests of children and families at their heart or been driven by external



circumstances beyond our control e.g. the weather. If you are on group WhatsApp concerning school it may be beneficial to scroll through messages and check if any positive messages are being shared otherwise the group is in danger of becoming a platform that is feeding on negativity.

On platforms such as WhatsApp staff at school have no recourse to address issues. When staff hear about the content of such messages (which they generally do) it is really upsetting when they are working so hard at school for many hours at home to provide the best education they can, especially at a time when Government and media support is sadly lacking.

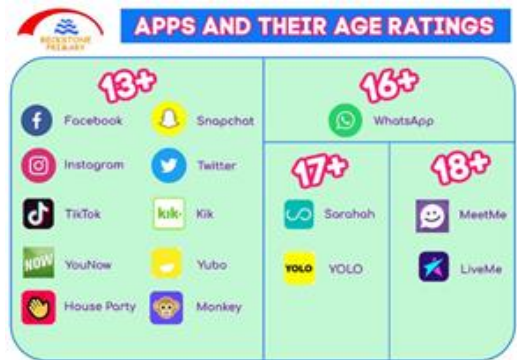
Teaching is an extremely demanding yet incredible and rewarding job. Our staff are committed to supporting the community they serve. Please support them by talking directly to us if you have an issue rather than resorting to social media. We have again updated our policy following some instances from last year and sanctions

for posts that are negative towards the school will result similar to the above as all should be respectful and offensive posts will also have to be removed.

Social Media & Pupils

Following on from some inappropriate use of WhatsApp out of school by older pupils that then spills into school we have changed our policy with regard to these incidents. The solution is simple...parents need to ensure that that children **are not illegally** accessing social media apps as they do not have the maturity to use them appropriately. The legal age limits are shown here:

It is abundantly clear that no Primary aged child should be accessing any of the apps shown. **Access is illegal.** Children may say 'Everyone has it' but that is not the case. The Governors have reviewed the social media policy and please be aware that it is not the



school's responsibility to police or investigate mis-use of social media apps **when the child should not be accessing them by law.** It is important to note that to prevent social media upset spilling into school the policy now states that **there will be an immediate exclusion for pupils mis-using these apps and causing issues in school.** This will go on their school records forever.

It is your responsibility as parents to ensure your child is NOT using these apps to keep them safe and prevent this from ever happening to them.

There is a new WhatsApp information zone on our web site for parents now too:



https://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/statutory_info/safeguarding/index.html

Class Assemblies



The dates for these are on the back page of the newsletter. Please note that class assemblies are for classes from Y1 to Y5. EY and Y6 have other performances for parents over the year. Class assemblies start at 9.05am on a Friday in the Sports Hall.

Cinema Nights



These take place each half term. The ones planned for this half term take place next month on Monday 16th (Reception & KS1) and Wednesday 18th October (KS2).

The cost for each night is £6, which is payable on ParentPay. The cost includes care and copious refreshments.



Strive for Five

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 which will now precede the singing sessions on a Tuesday. 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 😊



The Wobbly Wand

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Wobbly Wand's Page



Coats



We will soon be asking all children to wear their coats at lunchtimes and playtimes.

We have an external thermometer and when the outside temperature drops below 13°C then coats are mandatory. 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>

There are also some coats available for free via our uniform exchange. To enquire simply email uniform@beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk or use the QR code



Asthma

If your child needs an inhaler at school please ensure you have completed an 'Asthma Card' at the School Office, these will be sent out this week and please return immediately. If your child has a new diagnosis please see the office. It is a parents' responsibility to check the pumps are in date and not empty. It is also advisable to write your child's name on using a permanent pen.



Plasters



If your child is allergic to plasters then please do let the School Office know. Plasters are effective in

controlling bleeding and securing wounds from infection and they will be used for minor cuts and grazes unless you have let us know otherwise. We use non-allergenic ones.

Medicines

The school will administer medicine **only** when it is 4 times a day and has an **appropriate prescription sticker with the child's name on**. We will disinfectant wipe the bottles.



Please note that cough medicines/lozenges etc., are not allowed unless they have been prescribed. If you wish the school to administer medicine then please complete a form available from the School Office.

Nasal Flu Jabs



Flu vaccinations will take place at school on Wednesday 18th October for all years from Reception upwards. It is 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.

Step by Step Education

THE SUPPLY TEACHER SERVICE



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

Consent forms will be sent out this week, please ensure they are promptly returned to school. **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.

Further information will be in the next newsletter.



Parental Courses & Support

There is information on FREE courses and training to support children from birth to 11 in the 'Parent Information' zone of our web site. Please do have a look. http://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/parents_info/courses-and-support.html



Gurning

Classes will be taking part in a 'Gurning' (face pulling) contest in the week beginning the 12th September culminating in 'Gurn Off' finals on Friday 15th September with an EY/KS1 winner and a KS2 winner. The Gurning competition is an ancient local competition with the world



championships held in Egremont at the 'Crab Fair' on Saturday 16th September.

WORLD'S BIGGEST
**COFFEE
MORNING**
MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT



Coffee Morning

This will take place on Friday 29th September. Please make a date in your diary. Further details will go out nearer the time.

FAB/PTA

The first meeting of 2023/24 will take place on the first Monday in October at 3.30pm in the staff room. New members are more than welcome and FREE Beckstone Xtra is available – just book via bookings@beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk

YOUR PTA



**Next Meeting : Monday 2nd
October at 3.30pm
Make a date in your diary!**

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 IN MARTIAL ARTS

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

Lamplugh Village Hall Monday 6-8pm	Lorton Village Hall Tuesday 6-8pm
High Harrington Community Centre Tuesday 6-8pm	Harrington Scout Hut Thursday 6-8pm
The Gather Ennderdale Wednesday 6-8pm	 Sunday 5-7pm

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

FOR MORE INFO OR TO ENROL CALL
07543 876490
 (THIS NUMBER DOES NOT ACCEPT TEXT MESSAGES)

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE FIRST AID TRAINED AND DBS CHECKED

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 website at



www.cumbrialscb.com the site also has a parental information zone.

In addition to the above the school has a 'Safeguarding Zone' on its website 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 wellbeing 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.



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



Operation Encompass

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.



Y6 Graduation

The Year 6 cohort will be sorely missed. They performed a wonderful rendition of 'Macbeth' to parents at the end of term as well as having their Graduation Ceremony. On the last day they left school via a balloon arch, down the hill, past a staff guard of honour to meet their family members at the bottom. They are pictured below and the Graduation Photograph is in the main corridor along with every cohort since the school opened in 2005.



Food & Drink



- **School Meals** cost £14.50 per week (£2.90 a day) payable on ParentPay. This is still great value when you look at prices of goods in supermarkets for packed lunches.



- **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 first half of the autumn term is **£9.00** and needs to be paid by **Friday, 8th September 2023** via ParentPay NOT cash or cheque. 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 **£14** for this half term. This is paid on ParentPay and please pay by Friday 15th September.



- Fruit is £9.00 for the autumn term, again payable on ParentPay by this Friday. This is for playtime snacks.

Children in EY & KS1 also get fruit free during the day.

Beckstone's Extended Services

Our extended services include the Breakfast Club (£4.50 from 7.30am, £4.00 from 8am) Last entry is at 8.30am; Educare (our popular afternoon child care provision for morning Nursery children – see table

below – 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.**

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 **£2.20 per day** will be required to cover the cost of a school dinner and is to be paid via Parentpay.

Please contact the office for further details.

NON-ENTITLEMENT

Sessions will run from:
11:50 a.m. — 2:15 p.m. = **£10.00**
11:50 a.m. — 3:15 p.m. = **£14.00**

Educare bookings and payment are to be made via Parentpay. Please note you will need to choose your child's lunch (top choice) and pay for this at the same time via Parentpay at a cost of **£2.20 per day**

Please contact the office for further details.

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



Beckstone Xtra runs from the end of the school day until 5.15pm (the cost is £4 per hour) 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.

Please note after school learning/sport clubs will now cost £12.50 per half term.

Carer & Toddler Club

This runs every Thursday afternoon from 1.30 to 3pm and is a very popular club. It is a great way to meet new friends. There is no cost to join but a £3.00 levy is charged to cover the cost of refreshments.





Messy Mary's at St Mary's Harrington

Messy Church is held on the third Saturday of every month in St Mary's Church Hall from 4pm to 6pm.

Messy Church is for all the family and includes a number of craft activities, songs, a story and some prayers all based on the theme of for the day. It then finishes with a shared meal together. Come and join us – and bring your friends. (Please note that all children must be accompanied by an adult)

For more information on Messy Church, please have a look on their Facebook page.



Revisewise

Free revision classes for **Year 5 children now take place weekly on THURSDAY** at 8.15 – 8.45 or at lunchtime on the same day. Y5 pupils have the choice to attend either club.

All Year 5 children should be attending one of the sessions

Nursery Intakes

Children born between **1 September 2020** and **31 December 2020** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **January 2024**.

Children born between **1 January 2021** and **31 March 2021** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week Nursery education from **April 2024**.

Children born between **1 April 2021** and **31 August 2021** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **September 2024**.



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 website



<https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/childrenservices/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.

Curriculum 23/24

The subjects taught at the school and how they are taught are described in great detail on our web site detailing the 3 'I's', intent, implementation and impact. They are well worth a read.

https://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/curriculum/yearly_overviews.html



Many of the subjects are discrete and taught as such e.g. English, Maths, Computing, PE, Music etc but many are incorporated into topics. These are shown at the top of the next page. You can use them as a guide for planning family trips or book purchases etc to enrich your child's studies.

Give Blood – Help Save a Life!

Giving blood to support others is a wonderful selfless act that helps fellow citizens.

The next donor sessions are on Friday 8th September from 3 to 7pm or Wednesday 18th October from 3 to 7pm at Energus, Lillyhall. You can book an appointment online, just register and book.

Do something

worthwhile and save someone's life



Further details and booking details can be found at www.blood.co.uk

Bus

The bus is having an upgrade and makeover. Again HUGE thanks to Simon Turk, parent & governor, for the major effort he has put in to the project. As the photo below shows this is going to be a very valuable learning space again.
























Learning Topics Year A - 2023-2024

[\[Click here to download Year A as a pdf file\]](#)

[\[Click here to download Reception Year A as a pdf file\]](#)

Please click on each year group below to see the curriculum map in more detail.

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
			Poetry By Heart	Fairtrade Fortnight		Health Week
Early Years Reception Overview Skills CLICK HERE	 Animal Safari	 Dangerous Dinosaurs	 Stories and Rhymes	 Sunshine and Sunflowers	 Sunshine and Sunflowers	 Me and my Community
Year 1&2 KSI Curriculum Map CLICK HERE	 The Great Fire of London	 Marvellous Materials	 Animals	 Habitats	 Our Locality	 Make Your Mark
Year 3&4 LKS2 Curriculum Map CLICK HERE	 Through the Ages		 Emperors and Empires		 Interconnected World	 Predator
Year 5&6 UKS2 Curriculum Map CLICK HERE	 How Mining Changed Harrington	 Stargazers	 Alchemy Island	 Rocks, Ravines and Rumbles		 Hola Mexico

Summer Camp



This ran in the first full 2 weeks & 2 days of the summer holiday and the last 2 full weeks (minus the Bank Holiday and was very competitively priced.). The camp ran from 8am until 4pm and was very much enjoyed by all the children and indeed the staff.. They had activity bases in the Dining Hall and made great use of the outdoor facilities when the weather allowed. It is hoped to repeat this successful extension to our care services again at future holiday times. There are many photos of the camp on the web site. They can be found at:

https://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/pupil_zone/film_photo_gallery/2022-2023/summer-camp/index.html

or follow the QR Code for the first 2 weeks and for the final 2 weeks at



https://www.beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk/pupil_zone/film_photo_gallery/2022-2023/summer-camp-2/index.html or follow the

QR code.



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Bubble & Bounce Bouncy Castle Hire

This new company very kindly provided 2 castles and candy floss FREE of charge to the school towards the end of last term to give the children in Nursery who started in January or April and end of term treat rather than a summer trip. They provided an excellent service and this is a formal 'Thank You'. They can be found on Facebook for bookings for children's parties.

Lockdown Tile Commemoration

There is now a tile display in the green hut at the top of the hill. The tiles were made by all the school children who were part of the Covid lockdowns. The tiles are pictured below and well worth a close examination. Our thanks go to Mr Turk, parent & Governor, for his excellent skill in installing this.



PARENTAL FEEDBACK

We hope that the information on our website and newsletters are useful in keeping you updated on what's going on at Beckstone.

We would very much welcome your feedback anytime with any queries or suggestions!

We have a Parents' Suggestions box at the top of the school hill or preferably please email us at the address below.

admin@beckstone.cumbria.sch.uk

If ever you wish anything to be included in a newsletter then please do let us know



Non-Uniform Days

The first non-uniform day of this year will take place this half term on Friday 20th October, the day we break up for half term. There will also be a Halloween dress up day on the Tuesday (31st) after the half term.



Foodbank Donations

In the midst of this cost of living crisis donations would be more than welcomed to help support the vulnerable families in the locality.



Recent events have shown that the school can be a focal point for supporting some of our more vulnerable school families. Donations continue to be very much welcome and there is a collection bin in the green shelter at the top of the school hill.

A list of suggested items is alongside



Reg Charity No 1067541
Shopping List

Please help local people in crisis by buying items from the list below and giving them to the North Lakes Foodbank

Thank you!

- * Milk (Full Fat or Semi- Skimmed UHT)
- * Fruit Juice (1 ltr carton UHT)
- * Pasta Sauces (jars or sachets)
- * Biscuits or snack bars
- * Cereals (Medium sized boxes)
- * Tinned Meat
- * Tomatoes (Tinned or Carton)
- * Tinned Fish
- * Tinned Fruit
- * Tinned Vegetables
- * Soup (Tinned no Cuppa Soup)
- * Rice Pudding (Tinned)
- * Instant Mash Potato
- * Sponge Pudding (Tinned)
- * Sugar
- * Jam
- * Pasta (Medium bags of dried pasta. No sachets of 'pasta & sauce' mixes)
- * Tea Bags/Instant coffee (Med)

No Low Calorie Foods



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 easy fundraising?

There are over 4,000 shops and sites on board ready to donate – 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 and join for free.
2. Every time you shop online, go to easy fundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.
3. After you've checked out, the retailer will donate 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.

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.



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 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



All ages are welcome to attend.

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

Herbs

There are herb pots again at the front of the school (thank you to Mrs Sue Murray for cultivating these for everyone). Don't forget you are welcome **to help yourself** to a pinch of herbs to brighten up your home cooking (& drinking e.g. Mojitos). The sign above the herbs (in front of Ms McGill's class) to the left of the front door as you leave the building, gives tips on which herbs to use for what meals. Please make good use of them.



Donations Needed

The school would very much welcome any of the following;

- Board games
- Construction Equipment e.g. K'Nex,
- Meccano or Lego
- Lego Classic Blocks
- Railway or road sets
- Bikes and Trikes for Nursery & Reception
- Comics/games for wet playtimes



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 accumulate in 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.

Be Sun Wise



Hopefully there are still some sunny days left before Autumn begins. if and when they do it is important that thoughts go to protecting children from the sun. The children at the school spend a lot of time outdoors during the school day and lunch times in particular are times when the sun is at its hottest.

Please help your child by applying sun screen **before** they get dressed in the morning (it should last for the school day so children don't need to apply it at school and given chemical content staff aren't allowed to). Also, please ensure they have the minimum of skin showing and provide them with a hat to wear outside to protect their heads...remember...

'Wrap, Splat and Hat!

www.wrapsplathat.co.uk



The accolades about the behaviour of our children were aplenty last term with many people going out of their way to report to school how impressed they were with the behaviour seen (trip venues, bus drivers, visitors to school etc). Thanks to you for your support in helping us have such high behavioural standards.

CHILDREN ARE
MADE READERS
ON THE LAPS
OF THEIR PARENTS.



Diary Dates

Term Dates until Summer 2026

	Autumn 2023	Spring 2024	Summer 2024	Autumn 2024	Spring 2025	Summer 2025	Autumn 2025	Spring 2026	Summer 2026
Start of Term	Wednesday 6 th September	Wednesday 3 rd January	Tuesday 16 th April May Day – Mon 1 st	Wednesday 4 th September	Tuesday 7 th January	Tuesday 22 nd April May Day – Mon 5 th	Wednesday 3 rd September	Wednesday 7 th January	Monday 13 th April May Day – Mon 4 th
Half Term	Monday 23 rd October - Friday 27 th October	Monday 12 th February – Friday 16 th February	Monday 27 th May - Friday 31 st May	Monday 28 th October - Friday 1 st November	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February	Monday 26 th May - Friday 30 th May	Monday 27 th October - Friday 31 st October	Monday 16 th February – Friday 20 th February	Monday 25 th May - Friday 29 th May
End of Term	Tuesday 19 th December	Thursday 28 th March	Friday 19 th July	Friday 20 th December	Friday 4 th April	Friday 18 th July	Tuesday 19 th December	Friday 27 th March	Friday 17 th July

September

Wed 6th – Children start back
 Fri 8th – Nursery New Starters Home Visits
 Fri 15th – Gurning Final
 Thu 21st & Fri 22nd – Individual and family photos
 Tues 26th – KS1 Multi- Skills Festival – St Joseph’s 12.15-2.30pm
 - Governors’ Meeting 5pm
 Thu 28th Sep – REACT Science Show – Years 5 & 6
 Fri 29th – Macmillan Coffee Morning

October

Mon 2nd – FAB AGM 3.15pm
 Tues 10th – KS1 Harvest Festival at Church
Tues 10th & Wed 11th – Parents Evenings & Reception Parents’ phonics Workshops
 Thu 12th – KS1 visiting Harrington Over 55’s for Harvest
Fri 14th – SRM Class Assembly
 Mon 16th – KS1 & R Cinema Night
 Tues 17th – UKS2 Benchball 12.15 – 2.45 - St Joseph’s
 - Main Governors AGM
 Wed 18th - Nasal Flu immunisation
 - KS2 Cinema Night
 Thu 19th & Fri 20th – Circuits days
 Thu 19th – High 5 Netball 12.30-3pm Lakes College
 Fri 20th – Non Uniform Day
Week beg. 23rd – Half Term
 Tue 31st – Halloween Themed Day

November

Fri 3rd – 1/2AN Class Assembly
 Week beg. 6th – Parliament Week
 Mon 6th – LKS2 Quicksticks hockey – 12.30 – 3pm – Lakes College
 Fri 10th – Remembrance Silence 11am on School Hill
 Sun 12th – Remembrance Parade
 Tue 14th – LKS2 Benchball – 12.15 – 12.45pm – St Joseph’s
 Thu 16th – Y6 Takeover Morning
Fri 17th – 3/4S Class Assembly
 Week beg. 20th – Y6 classes intensive swim week 9.30-10.30am & 10.30-11.30am
 20th – 23rd Nursery ‘Come & play’ sessions 2-3pm
 Tue 21st – Governor Challenge Day, Staffing & Finance Committee and Main Meeting
 22nd & 23rd – Reception ‘Come & Play’ sessions 2-3pm
 Week beg. 27th – Y5 classes intensive swim week 9.30am & 10.30am

December

Fri 1st Dec – Reception trip to Whinlatter
 Tues 5th – Nursery Nativity am
 - KS2 Boccia tournament – 12.15-2.45pm – St J
 - Thu 7th – ‘A Christmas Carol’ performance for
 Mon 11th – Reception Nativity for parents pm
 - KS1 Party Night
 Tue 12th – LKS2 Carol Service 2pm
 - YR Party Night
 Wed 13th – Reception Nativity for parents am
 - UKS2 Carol Service 2pm
 - LKS2 Party Night
 Thu 14th Dec – Christmas Dinner Day
 - UKS2 Party Night
 Mon 18th Dec- Christmas Party Day
 Tue 19th Dec – Carols in the Square 10.30am
 - Y6 singing Carols at Enerugs 1pm
 - Break up for Christmas



Dates for 2024 already

Wed 3rd Jan – Children start back
Fri 12th Jan – 5LJ Class Assembly
 Wed 10th Jan – LKS2 Indoor Athletics 9.20-12.30 – Lakes
 Tue 16th Jan – KS1 Dodgeball, St Josephs, 12.15-2.45
 Tue 30th Jan – Governor Challenge day & Main Governors
Fri 2nd Feb – 3LS Class Assembly
 - Cross Country Event
 Tue 6th Feb – KS2 Dodgeball
Fri 9th Feb – 1AF Class Assembly
 Week beg. 12th Feb – Half term
 Tue 20th Feb – UKS2 Table tennis St Joseph’s 12.15-2.45
Fri 1st Mar – 4KB Class Assembly
 Wed 6th Mar – KS1 Multi-Skills festival 9.20-12.30 Lakes
 Thu 7th Mar – World Book Day
 Sun 10th Mar – Mother’s Day
Fri 15th Mar – 1/2DT Class Assembly
 Week beg. 18th Mar – Nursery ‘Come & Play’ week, 2-3pm
 Tue 19th Mar – Governors meeting
 Wed 20th Mar – LKS2 Handball – 9.15-12.30 - Lakes
 Week beg. 25th Mar – Egg & Bonnet Design Week
 Tue 26th – LKS2 Football – 12.15 – 2.45 – St Josephs
Tue 26th & Wed 27th – Parents’ Evenings
 Thu 28th Mar – Egg Dumping Final
 - School breaks up for Easter
 Tue 16th April – Children start back
 Tue 23rd April – Wheelchair Basketball
 Thu 2nd May – Class photos
May – KS1 Optional SATs Month
Week beg. 13th May – KS2 SATs
 Tue 14th May – KS1 Kicky Rounders – 12.15-2.45 – St Joseph’s
 Tue 21st – Thu 23rd Mar – UKS2 Residential trip to Edinburgh
 Tue 21st May – KS1 Football – 12.15-2.45 – St Josephs
 - Governors & Staffing & Finance meeting
 Wed 22nd – KS1 Football – 9.30 – 11.45 -Lakes
 - Staffing & Finance Committee & Governors Meeting
 Fri 24th May – KS2 Athletics Event
 - Early Years Colour Run
 Week beg. 27th May – Half term
2 weeks from week beg. 3rd June – Y4 Times Table tests
Week beg. 10th June – Y1 Phonics Screening Check Week
 Week beg 10th June – Nursery ‘Come & play’ week 2-3pm
 Tue 11th June – Sports Day
 Wed 12th -& Thu 13th June – YR ‘Come & play’ 2-3pm
 Sun 16th June – Father’s Day
 Mon 17th June - KS1 Kinder Cricket – 9.15 – 12 – Workington C.C.
 Tue 18th June – UKS2 football 12.15-2.45 – St Joseph’s
 Tue 25th June – UKS2 Cricket 9.30 -2.45 – Workington C.C.
 Week beg. 1st July – Olympics focused week
 Tue 2nd July – Tennis – 12.15-2.45 – St Josephs
 Thu 4th July – Workington Academy induction Day
 Fri 5th July – KS1 Kinder Cricket 9.15 – 12.20 – Workington C.C.
 Tues 9th July – Governor Challenge day & Main Meeting
 Thu 11th & Fri 12th July – Meet new classes mornings
 Mon 15th Jul – Swimming Gala Practice Session
 - Reports Out & Curriculum Evening
 Tue 16th July – Swimming Gala
 Wed 17th July – Swimming Gala

