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Dear Parents,

This half term is the longest but also the most magical of the school year. There are lots of important events taking place and it is to be hoped that this newsletter will keep you up to speed with all that is happening. Please take some time to put your feet up and read this newsletter.

Key items include the move to a cashless school using ParentPay, upcoming Parents' Evenings, Remembrance, the Christmas Fair and raffle and many many more items - see the long contents list alongside.

There is also information on the importance of child mental health, particularly with regard to becoming addicted to gaming and we are seeking parental support to ensure our children are protected from addiction to such games.

This newsletter also contains reports on many events from October. I would recommend also spending some time browsing our web site. The film and photo gallery as well as the class zones contain many images from last half term. There is also lots of other information relating to all aspects of school life.

Finally, please be aware we are asking for donations of items towards our Christmas Fair at the end of the month. We are also asking families to try and sell raffle tickets. Money raised from these events is vital to support the activities of the school in these austere times.

Best wishes,
Mr Warbrick

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Mobile Phone Policy

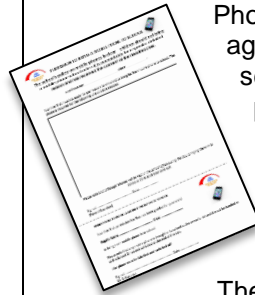
The school has had an agreed policy on mobile phones for many years. The policy has been that children **should NOT** be bringing phones into school unless it is for an unavoidable reason. The reasons are manifold such as mis-use, taking photographs, security etc. This policy was working up until last half term when a sizeable number of phones are being brought to school. The children are, in the main, doing the right thing and handing them into the Office. However it has become a daily event rather than one-off unavoidable instances and is becoming an issue.

It is timely to remind all at the school that children should not be regularly bringing phones into school. Whilst we understand some children walk home alone parents need to seek a more effective system, carrying a phone can make children a target. If the reason for bringing a phone is that children are walking home alone and need a phone for reassurance so they can ring an adult then it is probably in the child's interests to be picked up - especially with dark nights closing in. We want to support parents and children in staying safe but the number of phones being brought into school is increasing and it is becoming a safeguarding & security concern.

If there is an over-riding reason that your child may need to bring in a phone then please request a consent form from the Office. The Headteacher will then decide if the reason is an acceptable unavoidable one and a



consent slip will be returned to the family. Phones that come into school without the agreement of the school will be kept in school until collected by an adult. This policy will be strictly applied from Monday.



ParentPay



The school is now operating a new online cashless payment system from the start of this half term. Money for school lunches and trips will now only be accepted through this system.

The only money that will accepted into school will be for milk, the extended services (Breakfast Club, Educare and Afterschool Club) but please note these services can be paid through your employer as tax free childcare vouchers. The companies registered to the school are Eden Red and the Computer Share Voucher scheme.

If you have any problems or have not yet set up an account then please do not hesitate to contact the school office as soon as possible.

Fortnite and Other Online Games

We are very concerned at the impact games like Fortnite are having on the progress and work ethic of some of the children at the



school. Recent pupil progress meetings have had a similar theme in Key Stage 2 where pupils (mainly boys) are appearing in school tired, are distracted from learning by talking about the previous night's game and actually get agitated when updates are due. There is a concern that some children are becoming addicted.

**Fortnite has a minimum age rating of 12 years old.
As a result, no child in this school should be playing it.**

In the UK the Video Standards council rate Fortnite as PEGI 12 for frequent scenes of mild violence. It is not suitable for persons under 12 years of age. The VSC expand on the PEGI rating by stating that "Violence consists of you using whatever weapons you can find or make to fend off the monsters of the Storm and save the survivors. Damage is dealt by numbers and life bars and monsters disappear in a purple flash when defeated."

Not covered by ratings are the interactions with other players online. Although the game isn't rating for profanity, its online nature could expose younger players to offensive language from random strangers via the voice or on-screen text chat.

It's also a game where the sound is crucial (hearing footsteps of other players in particular). This means that players will wear headphones and parents can't always hear what is being said by strangers or indeed by 'friends' in school that then spills over into the next day at school.

Like any game with a fiercely competitive online mode, younger players can find that Fortnite makes them cross or angry when they lose. This is common in games like FIFA and Rocket League, but even more in Fortnite because you only have one life and then you are out the game. This competitive and online play style also means it is hard to stop a game part way through, as children will complain this will affect their standing in the game. They will always want, "just one more go" and complain that they "can't stop now" and as a result, where consoles are in bedrooms, are playing late into the night.

A survey by ChildWise revealed that Primary school children spend an average of six hours a day in front of screens (TV, games consoles and online). Also 43% have internet access in their bedrooms.

Signs your child is becoming dependant on gaming include:

1. They are talking about their game incessantly, they play for hours on end and get defensive or even angry and aggressive when made to stop.
2. Their daily needs like food and sleep are being disrupted. Physical symptoms might even arise from spending too much time online such as dry or red eyes, tiredness, irritability, soreness in the fingers, back or neck or complaints of headaches.
3. They appear preoccupied, depressed or lonely, as some games can be quite isolating.

As mentioned above the first sign is becoming increasingly apparent with some children in school, particularly, but not exclusively, in Upper Key Stage 2. Class teachers have been asked to bring this to the attention of relevant parents at the Parents' Meetings later this month.

The message from school is clear: Excessive online gaming is having a detrimental effect on children's learning. Please abide by minimum age guidelines and restrict time spent on games and where possible ensure consoles are not in bedrooms. At the end of the day we all want the same thing, well adjusted, happy, positive children keen to learn. We fear this is being hampered by the influence of these games on some of our pupils.

**Finally again please remember
Fortnite has a minimum age of 12!!**



Give Blood – Help Save a Life!

The next donor session you can book online is Friday the 8th and Friday 15th November at the Bridge Centre from 3 to 7pm

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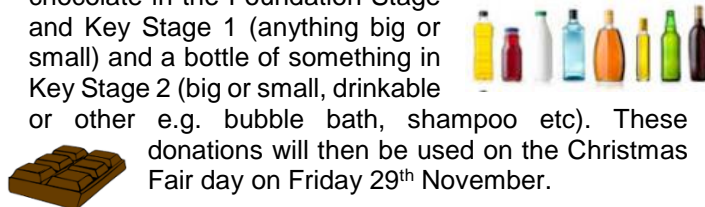
Non Uniform Days

Thank you for your support of the non-uniform days for the Air Ambulance and the NSPCC in October. The generosity and charitable support from you all is a wonder to behold.

The next non-uniform day is to support 'Children in Need' and this will take place on Friday 15th November



The last donation based non-uniform day of 2019 will take place towards the end of the month on Friday 22nd November. This is a pre-Christmas Fair non-uniform day and rather than ask for a monetary donation the 'Friends at Beckstone' (PTA/FAB) have requested if those coming in non-uniform could donate something chocolate in the Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 (anything big or small) and a bottle of something in Key Stage 2 (big or small, drinkable or other e.g. bubble bath, shampoo etc). These donations will then be used on the Christmas Fair day on Friday 29th November.



Christmas Fair

Donations are now welcome for stalls for the Christmas Fair (Friday 29th November from 1.30pm) –

these can be toys, games, bric-a-brac, books etc etc. ***This is a chance to have a clear out before Christmas!*** There will a specific letter about the Fair later this month. Again, there will also be a jar stall where we ask parents to fill a jar with goodies to sell.

Christmas Raffle

The 'Friends at Beckstone' annual Christmas Raffle is taking place again this year with a fabulous first prize of £100. All money raised from the raffle goes to support your child through FAB's purchase of resources to enhance learning or through their subsidy of school trips. We would like to kindly ask all families to support this raffle by selling at least one book to family and friends. The tickets cost £1 and a book costs £5 in total. **Each family will be issued with a book soon.** There will be more books available if you are able to sell more. **Please return money and stubs to the Office or equally any unsold tickets to enable us to sell them elsewhere.**



The draw will take place on the penultimate day of this term, Thursday 19th December and we hope to notify all winners on that day.

Thank you in advance for your support in this.

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Sporting Success



Our High Five Netball team were joint winners of the Workington competition this week (the school has won it every year since it opened in 2005!!). The team now goes on to represent Workington in the Allerdale finals next week. They are pictured below.



Dog Mess on Back Path



The path to the rear of the school continues to be ruined by the unthinking and inappropriate use by dog owners. There is now a lot of dog dirt and it has already been brought into school on the shoes of



some of the users of the path. Dog owners at the very least should be bagging their dog's poop as this path to the rear is being increasingly used by children and families from the school and should quite rightly be **free from dog mess**. Please report dog mess to Allerdale. This can be done by phone or through the 'Allerdale App' on an iPhone or Android phone. The more reports they receive the more likely it is that action will be taken.

CLEAN IT UP!





Chair's Blog

Hi everyone,

Hope you all had a spooktacular Halloween! Now with bonfire night just around the corner, dark cosy nights and the weather taking a cold turn, time for us all to wrap up warm and start taking extra care on dark icy roads and paths. Please make sure the children have coats and hats to keep warm at playtimes.

You should all have received a letter, for each child in the school, with a username and password to set up ParentPay. This is the new system for paying for school meals, but we will be expanding its use to move to becoming a cashless school and all monies paid, such as after school clubs and trips etc, will be paid via the system, so it is essential that you register as soon as possible, if you haven't already. There is a app you can download for your phone or tablet and if you are having any problems registering please drop into the Office or give us a call.

Tuesday 19th November is the next scheduled Governor Challenge Day, when myself and the other non-staff Governors have the opportunity to spend the entire day in school, looking at work, learning about the curriculum and new initiatives with staff and spending time with the children, talking and asking and answering questions, to make sure they are receiving the very best care and education at our school. It's always one of my favourite days and one of the best parts of being a Governor (not least for the school lunch!), so my fellow Governors and I are very much looking forward to it.

I'm sure many of you will have seen in the paper, or on social media, the recognition of the school's efforts in contributing to our pupil Arabella's Princess Fund. We have also recently made generous contributions to the Air Ambulance, the NSPCC and our best ever donations to the Food Bank at Harvest festival. All made possible by your generosity, so huge thanks to each and every one that contributed. Well done!

I'd just like to draw attention to Mr Warbrick's article about the problems with addiction to video gaming. This one is close to my heart, as my own son feels under pressure to be playing games like Fortnite, online (which can lead to issues like online grooming by strangers) because 'all of his friends are doing it'. Many of these games have a minimum age of 12, so shouldn't be accessible by Primary School children anyway, but other effects of too much gaming can be tiredness, distraction and agitation, all of which can impact on your child's learning. So please, be aware of what your child is doing when playing video games and consider carefully the amount of time you allow them to play.

So, that brings us to the end of the November blog...
the next one will be all about Christmas!!! So wrap up warm and stay safe around bonfires and fireworks if you are going to any events or celebrating at home.

Have fun!

Vicki Martin
Chair of Governors



To familiarise yourself with who the Governors of the school are please do have a look in the Governor Zone of our web site.



The Governors will be in school for the day on Tuesday 19th November. They will be touring classes and talking to children, meeting subject leaders to discuss provision and standards in a wide range of subjects as well as receiving training on our pupil assessments and tracking system, as well as the new Ofsted framework.

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Parents' Evenings

The Parents' Evenings this term are towards the end of this month (Monday 25th and Tuesday 26th November). As well as asking you to review your commitments to the school (below), complete a questionnaire about online newsletters and a school meal 'takeaway' service, the meeting will focus on a detailed report of your child's progress. In addition to updating you on your child's progress, you will also receive their coloured ratings for effort, behaviour, attendance and many other things as per last year. We



will also be asking you to support your child by setting targets for you to support them at home and these will be reviewed at the next Parents' Meeting.



Finally there will be 'taster' stations for School Meals so you will be able to taste for yourself how tasty they are!



School Reports

The termly report that builds up to a completed end of year report will be shared at parents' evenings later this month. In Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 this term and next term you will only receive page 1 of the report with page 2 being added in the Summer which will include details of your child's attainment and effort in all subjects.

The 'Traffic Light', red, amber and green ratings remain are on the front page. If your child is not receiving a green rating for any aspect of their school life please support them to put this right by the time the reports are re-issued in the Spring.

The report will show the stage and half term your child was working at the start of their year (we are calling it their 'Baseline') and their current attainment level for Reading, Writing and Maths. Children from Year 2 upwards are also being assessed on their spelling and vocabulary. Your child's class teacher will help you to understand what these figures mean and will also explain how this feeds into their end of key stage target. For children in Year 2 and Year 6 who are at the end of their Key Stage and have nationally reported results at the end of the year then their outcomes in the summer will be reported on an additional page as follows:

For Maths (Y2 & Y6) & Reading (Y2 & Y6) and SPAG (Spelling, Punctuation & Grammar – Y6 only) each Y2 & Y6 child will get:

- A raw test score (how many marks they got on the test)
- A scaled score (where your child's score is compared to all taking the test nationally where a score of 100 is the average mark)

Parental Commitments (to be reviewed at meetings):

- To read with your child **every day** for at least 20 minutes.
- To ensure your child learns their appropriate times tables (as set by the teacher).
- Ensure your child completes their weekly 'Friday' homework which will consist of one piece of maths work, a reading comprehension and on occasion a 'learning challenge'.
- To make sure your child arrives at school regularly and on time and let the school know immediately of any absence.
- To ensure your child's attire follows the uniform policy and they have the correct PE Kit when needed.
- To support the school's behaviour policies and guidelines and show respect to all involved in the school community.
- To give consent for your child to make accompanied off site visits in the school locality.
- To give consent for data to be held on record about your child and their contacts and to ensure the school has up to date contact information.
- To allow your child's name and images of your child to be used on the school web site, newsletter and by other organisations only in school related matters.

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• Notification of whether they are at the nationally expected standard or not.
For Writing they will be assessed as:

- Working towards expected standard or
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Children in Reception will receive a report based on 'Tapestry' assessments that parents in Reception have access to this year. These are based on Early Learning Goals as is the Nursery report.

We hope we get a 100% turnout.

Lost Property



Already the box is filling up, it has been emptied 3 (!!) times since September. **We cannot stress enough the importance of labelling clothing!**

100 Club



The first draw of the year took place on Tuesday this week. The winner of the £30 was number 37 owned by Billy in Y3. The £15 winner was ball 69 - Kerry Bell and the £5 winner was ball 6 - Mrs Trotter. New players are welcome and can play on a monthly basis for a £1 stake. If you wish to buy a number for yourself or your child please see the School Office.

You can now buy numbers for the draws in this school year. The cost for the rest of the year is £9. Please see the School Office. The November draw will be at the end of this month.

Revisewise



REVISE WISE CLUBS

Free revision classes for **Year 6 children** now take place on a 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.

All Year 6 children should be attending!

Nursery Donations Plea

Nursery need girls tights, socks and knickers and boys socks for their 'spares' box. Donations would be gratefully received.



Other Donations Needed

The school would very much welcome any of the following;



- Games, puzzles and jigsaws
- Construction Equipment
- Railway or road sets
- Bikes and Trikes for Nursery & Reception
- Good quality books
- Wellingtons for the Early Years
- Comics/games for wet playtimes

Book Fair



Thanks go to all who supported the Book Fair last month. The Fair took £680 in sales which has resulted in the school receiving £340 in commission to spend on new books for the children.



Remembrance Parade



The school will also be joining in the Harrington Remembrance Parade in the morning of the 10th November. The Parade will leave the British Legion at 9.15am and arrive at Church at 10am. Thank you goes to Mrs Carter who has organised this event.



Poppies on Sale

Poppies are on sale for 20p up until Remembrance Day itself on the 11th November.



There are also a limited number of silicone wristbands (£1), rulers (£1.50), reflector key rings, zip pulls, erasers, pencil sharpeners & pencils (all 50p each) and metal poppy brooches priced at £2.



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Anti-Bullying Week



The school will have a big focus on 'anti bullying' during the week beginning the 11th November. The children will be involved in learning and discussing strategies to combat any incidences of bullying be it in or out of school or indeed reality or virtual bullying (e.g. by text etc) at a whole school level.

The theme for Anti-Bullying week this year is *#changestartswithus*. Year 6 children will visit classrooms to help deliver a session with the following message:

Small change. Big difference. Whether it is verbal, physical, online or in-person, bullying has a significant impact on a child's life

well in to adulthood. By making small, simple changes, we can break this cycle and create a safe environment for everyone. Together, we can challenge bullying. Change starts with a conversation. It starts with working together.

**Change starts here.
Change starts now.
Change starts with us.**

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 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.  **0333 240 1727**

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



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.



The Wobbly Wand

Handmade, whimsical
arts & crafts

www.wobblywand.co.uk



Wobbly Wand's Page



Pupil Mental Health and Wellbeing

Debbie Cook is also the school's 'Wellbeing Champion' who has the brief to ensure the mental health and wellbeing of pupils is being given a priority and that systems are in place to ensure children are supported



when they have issues that are detrimental to their mental health. We now also have a mental health and wellbeing Governor, Kate Mahone who will monitor our provision.

Supporting pupil mental health and wellbeing is a priority of the school and there will be updates on initiatives and actions taken in future newsletters.

Nursery Intakes

Children born between **1 September 2016** and **31 December 2016** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week Nursery education from **January 2020**.

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.

Children born between **1 January 2017** and **31 March 2017** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **April 2020**.

Children born between **1 April 2017** and **31 August 2017** can receive their free 15 or 30 hours a week from **September 2020**.



Forms for applying for any of these intakes are available from the School Office or just ring and we can post them out.

Please let friends/relatives know we now have a number of spaces for Nursery in January and April and can enrol children from their 3rd birthday for 15 hours and for the full 30 hours from the term after their 3rd birthday.

Beckstone's Extended Services

Our extended services include the Breakfast Club (£4.00 from 7.30am, £3.50 from 8am); Educare (our popular afternoon child care provision for morning Nursery children – see table below) 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



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.



15 HOURS ENTITLEMENT

Sessions will run from:

12:10—1:10 p.m. = 1 Voucher

12:10—2:10 p.m. = 2 Vouchers

12:10—3:10 p.m. = 3 Vouchers

A charge of £3.10 will be required to cover the cost of a school dinner and midday care from 11.50am to 12.10pm.

*Vouchers cannot be split, for example if you collect your child at 1:45 p.m. you will be charged 2 vouchers, likewise if you collect your child at 2:30p.m. you will be charged 3 vouchers regardless.

NON-ENTITLEMENT

Sessions will run from:

12:10—1:10 p.m. = £5.00

12:10—2:10 p.m. = £8.50

12:10—3:10 p.m. = £12.00

Please note Vouchers can be used in Breakfast Club and Beckstone Xtra or banked to use elsewhere.

Carer & Toddler Club

This runs every Wednesday afternoon from 1.30 to 3pm. There is no cost to join but a £3.00 levy is charged to cover the cost of refreshments etc. Please spread the word as there are many spare spaces now the last cohort has joined Reception



Beckstone Cleaning Services High quality domestic cleaning...with a 'smile' 	Beckstone Electrical Services Part 'P' Registered Small electrical jobs a speciality 
Contact Harvey on 07576378635 or email: harvey.reid_69@btinternet.com	

Shoebox Appeal



The school is again supporting 'Operation Christmas Child'. To bring the joy of Christmas to a child in a part of the world where there is poverty and deprivation. You are invited to fill a shoebox with presents for a boy or a girl. All details about how to join in and what sort of items to put in the shoebox were in a leaflet accompanying the last newsletter. If you do not have one then spares are available from the School Office.



If you don't have a shoebox then you can obtain one from the School Office on request.

Completed boxes can be dropped off in school anytime up until Friday 15th of November.



Thank you

A BIG thank you goes to Mr Kirkwood, one of our grandparents and a member of Workington

Rotary who has donated shoeboxes from New Balance and pencils to support this appeal. It is greatly appreciated.

Finally, Mrs Bagley will also collect any items from the list you can donate even if you are not making a shoebox yourself. These 'spare' items can be added to the boxes or they will be donated to the warehouse.



Harvest & Donations

Thank you to all families who donated food to the Northern Foodbank. The response was amazing. The generosity of our school community is always extremely impressive and heart-warming. All donated food was gratefully received and is being distributed to families in need across our locality.

The pupils shared their celebrations with the Harrington Over 55's as well as at a Church Service for parents.



Foodbank

As well as Harvest we are a collection point for the Foodbank all year round. The collection point is just inside the door at the end of the Infant corridor. The Foodbank is designed to help individuals and families in crisis through the provision of emergency food supplies. Local professional care-workers within Allerdale and Copeland refer them, with a food voucher, to the Foodbank centre where they are given food supplies, a cup of coffee and help in finding other professionals who can help them out of their crisis. For further details of the work of the Foodbank and how you can be involved contact; the North Lakes Foodbank; email:



info@thefoodbank.org.uk www.thefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 0750 2311 452



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

Fireworks

Before they explode read the code!

- Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
- Never give sparklers to a child under five.
- Buy fireworks marked BS 7114.
- Keep fireworks in a closed box.
- Follow the instructions on each firework.
- Light them at arm's length using a taper.
- Stand well back.
- Never go back to a lit firework.
- Never put fireworks in your pocket.
- Never throw fireworks.
- Keep pets indoors.



**Welephant says,
"Read the Firework
Code and use it!"**

**Stay safe this bonfire night by following
Welephant's Firework Code.**

Fireworks

The Police and Ambulance Services are hoping for an injury free bonfire night on Tuesday (5th) and indeed the weekends before and after.

The firework code is reproduced at the top of this page for your information and will be shared with the children this week.

Please do not let your children set off fireworks. For their own safety, they need to be standing well back to enjoy the view and to ensure they return to school after this weekend unharmed.



*Remember, Remember
The fifth of November
Gunpowder Treason and Plot.
We see no reason
Why Gunpowder Treason
Should ever be forgot!*



Circuits Morning

The 'Circuits Day' for this half term is on Thursday 5th December. Children can come to school dressed in sports clothes.



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 from the School Office at a competitive price of just £18.50 (sizes 3-4 up to 11-12); extra small adult upward sizes are £23.20.

Christmas Cards

Christmas cards **are not** to be distributed in school until **Monday 9th December** at the earliest when the post boxes will go out (this will still leave **two school weeks** for the cards to be shared)... The post boxes will be placed at strategic points around the school. More information about Christmas will be in the December newsletter.



Class lists for Christmas Cards (first names only) are available from the School office for a 10p admin charge



Christmas Dinner

If parents of packed lunch children would like to book a Christmas Dinner for their child on Thursday 12th December, then please look out for a letter that will go home soon.

For all the family

Messy Church

MESSY MARY'S

Taking place every 3rd Saturday of each month

4pm - 6pm

In St Mary's Parish Church Hall

Come and join us for church with a difference

Messy craft, games, interactive worship and delicious food!

If you would like more information please contact
The Rev. Julia Powley on 01946 830215

School Fund

We need donations to this fund as funds are getting REALLY tight so please help if you can. The fund is donation based (for example the businesses advertising in this newsletter provide donations to this fund) and is used to fund the coaches for sporting events, buy many consumable items and fun activities 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.

Road Safety

Whilst on the subject of road safety we will be holding a 'Road Safety Week' (18th to 22nd) November where there will be a focus on how the children can keep themselves safe on or near roads. We will also be joining in the national 'Beep Beep' Day on Wednesday 20th November.

We're taking part in

BEEP BEEP! DAY
SAVING LITTLE LIVES

brake.org.uk/beepbeepday

Brake the road safety charity
churchill



Creativity Cup

Ethan from Year 4 was awarded the Creativity Cup this morning (1st November) for this half term. He was awarded it for his excellent art work and drawing skills as well as his creative writing and fantastic use of vocabulary.

School Matters!



Attendance Cup

The winners of the 'Attendance Cup' for the first half of the Autumn term were 5LJ with 97.65% attendance. The class are pictured below with their trophy and certificate which was awarded in assembly this morning. What has been particularly pleasing is all classes of statutory age children had above national average attendance last half term.



Cinema Nights



There are 2 Cinema Nights, one for Reception & KS1 and one for KS2 this half term with the first on Monday 9th December and the second on Tuesday 10th December. If you have children in both ends of the school then we can accommodate that with an older

child going to the younger sitting or vice versa. You could use the time for Christmas Shopping! Further information and booking forms will go out with next month's newsletter. The cost of the films including care and copious refreshments will be £6 per child payable when booking.



Please use School Angel every time you shop online for anything from great holidays & hotels to the latest ipad, mobile phone or must have fashions. All the major UK retailers have agreed to make a donation to your school every time you shop from the School Angel website.



School Angel is Super Simple

No accounts, No passwords, No email or names needed, just click on whichever shop you want to use and schoolangel will make sure your donation gets right back to school.

Your School Needs Your Help – School Angel makes it easy, simple and free for you to make a real difference to your school children

Simply click on the 'Shopping Gateway' link on our web site or scan the code



Halloween

Yesterday was a Halloween themed day; the costumes on display were fantastic as well as terrifying!! The quality, design and ingenuity that clearly went into the costumes were the best ever! The children were very proud of their outfits and enjoyed spooking each other. Pictures of the children in costume will soon be on our web site in the Halloween zone of our 'Film and Photo Gallery' (or follow the QR code). The school staff also made a great effort this year...a spooky day was had by all! Our Nursery children entertained the school with their Halloween themed dance (pictured below)



Also on the day a group from 2SF visited East Croft for some Halloween activities and dancing. A good time was had by all.



School Savings Account

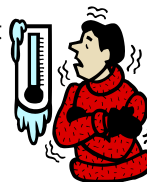
Encourage your child to start saving towards Christmas or for something special they would like and make use of our school savings account facility. Simply call in at the School Office to open an account if your

child does not already have one.

Encourage your children to save towards Christmas.

Extreme Weather/Heating Emergencies

As winter approaches 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 points 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.

Choral Challenge

This took place on Monday, 7th October. Every class performed excellently and all school staff were very proud of them. Videos of each class performing their poem can be seen in the film and photo gallery of our web site. Each class could vote for a Reception & KS1 class and a KS2 class (apart from their own class).



The eventual winning classes were:
 R & KS1: 1AN and
 KS2 – 4JWa & 5/6JMcG (joint winners)
 The winning classes will get a cookery session of their choice.

Childline

The charity Childline has now developed 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

 Emotional abuse It's not ok for someone to hurt your feelings. We can help.	 Neglect If someone isn't looking after you properly, it's neglect. We can help.	 Bullying Find out what counts as bullying and how to get support.	 Feelings Learn about different feelings and how to cope with them.
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In addition, there are games to play 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.

Play Group & Chat

Open to all!

**Every Wednesday
1.30 pm – 3.00 pm**

£3 cost covers: tea, coffee, homemade cake, raffle ticket, snacks for children.

**Additional Child - £1.50
Additional Adult - £1**

Sign in at the office, sessions held in dining hall/breakfast club. If you fancy a cuppa and a chat before collecting the child, please come & join us!



Walk to School – Feet First

We aim to improve the health and fitness of our youngsters and reduce congestion and the hazard of traffic outside school. We hope that our children will enjoy taking part in Feet First as well as picking up road safety skills and that they will be encouraged to think about the environmental and health benefits of walking, cycling or scooting to school. If your child has to travel a long distance by car – why not park remotely from the school and walk, cycle or scoot the rest of the way (Park & Stride/Ride/Glide).

Nature Photo Competition



A big thank you to all who submitted photographs for the half term competition. The standard of the photos was excellent and there have been 168 entries!! The 12 winners will be announced in due course. The photos will be made into calendars that will adorn the walls of classrooms and Offices in the school.

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 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. If you do hire this venue, please let Marjorie know you read about it in this newsletter.

Also, please pass on the following details to anyone you think may be interested:

Ladies Club, every Tuesday from 1.30 to 3.45pm. All ages are welcome to attend. 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"



Wesleyan Court

Please DO NOT park in the Residents' car park or block the entrance (entrance on Bellaport Gardens) on Eadie Street as it is causing damage and upset. **Thank you!**

Shopping Gateway

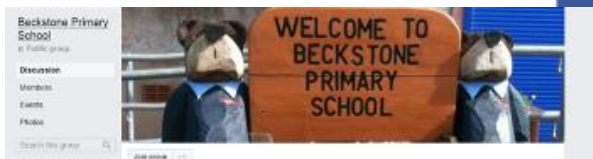
We are in partnership with a charity called 'School Angel' to raise money for the school. This is really simple to use and you can visit via our web site by clicking on the 'Shopping Gateway'

Once on the page all you need to do is click on the logo for whatever shop/service you would like to visit. The school will receive commission from these firms at no extra cost to you; it is just a gateway to access websites.



PLEASE DO TRY TO SUPPORT THE SCHOOL WHEN YOU SHOP ONLINE.... PARTICULARLY IF BOOKING SUMMER HOLIDAYS NEXT YEAR!!

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.

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



Swimming & Medical Note

A reminder to Key Stage 2 parents whose children are swimming this term and next term (& indeed Year 2 parents who will be swimming in the Summer term for the first time)



that swimming is a statutory part of the National Curriculum. Having a 'cold' is not a reason not to swim, if anything it relaxes chest muscles so helps with this condition. Your child should only not swim on medical advice i.e. letter from a doctor (which is very rare) otherwise if your child is fit for school they are fit to swim!

Special Needs Conference

If your child has special needs or you work with children then you may be interested in the SEN Conference flyer below. The event costs £20 for professionals or £15 for family members. Further details and a booking form can be found at: <https://www.wcdssg.com/send-conference>



The flyer is for the SEND Support & Development Conference. It features a blue and yellow color scheme. At the top left is a 'Makaton Friendly' logo. In the center is a large '21' logo for the West Coast Down's Syndrome Support Group, with 'presents' written below it. The main title 'SEND Support & Development Conference' is in large, bold, yellow letters. Below this is a dark blue banner with white text: 'Support Pupils with SEND in Primary and Secondary Education'. The date and time are 'Saturday 9th November 09:30 - 16:00' and the location is 'ENERGUS, Lillyhall, Workington'. A 'Speakers' section lists: Dr Colin Deans (Special iApps Developer), Amanda Glennon (Inclusive Teaching Matters - Using Numicon in the Classroom), Prof. Sue Buckley OBE (Effective Ways to Teach Children with Down's Syndrome and Other Educational Needs), and Susan Oglanby (Using Makaton to Support Communication and Speech). Logos for 'Special iApps', 'Teaching Matters', and 'Makaton' are also present.

Breakfast Club Sandwiches

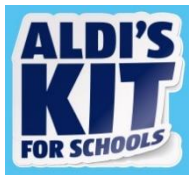


On the last Friday of each month the Breakfast Club serve bacon or sausage sandwiches at a cost of 50p per child or £1.50 per adult. Parents can purchase a buttie as they drop their children off and can eat in or take away. The take-away option is also available to any parents even if their child is not in the Breakfast Club. The next Breakfast Club sandwich day is Friday 29th November.

Term Time Holidays & Tests

Please ensure your children are in school on the following dates, we cannot stress enough how important this is.:

- Week beginning 11th May 2020 – Y2 & Y6 SAT tests
- Week beginning – 8th June 2020 - Phonics Screening
- 3 Weeks beginning 8th June - Year 4 Times Table Tests



Aldi Vouchers – A BIG thank you

Thank you for your support for the donations of the Aldi 'Kit for Schools'

Vouchers We not only managed to complete our collection poster of 300 tickets but went on to complete a second one!! That will ensure we receive a donation of 2 sets of school sports kits and have 2 chances to win £20,000 for our school.



National Takeover Day

The school is again taking part in this National Children's Commissioner Initiative. On Thursday 21st November children from Year 6 will take on the adult jobs to give them a taste of working as an adult. They will be working in all areas of the school in all genres of jobs, even the Deputy and the Head will be children on that day!



Start of the Day

From tomorrow we will be asking all **Key Stage 1 children to come into school on their own.** Please say goodbye to them at the door. We are also requesting that Reception parents go out of the door they came in rather than walk through the school. Please support us in developing your child's independence as well as ensuring clearer corridors and a smoother/safer start to the day.

After School Safety

1. Beckstone Xtra children will now be wearing special lanyards in the afternoon rather than having large tickets as the lanyards cannot be forgotten or dropped and all can easily visibly see who should be attending the after school care service.

2. If someone is sent to collect a child from Nursery, Reception or Key Stage 1 who is not known to the school then they will need the password of your child's date of birth. So, if in an emergency, you send someone different please inform the school but also give them the password. The story below highlights the importance of this and perhaps the need for an agreed family password when picking up from other events etc.

EVERY PARENT SHOULD READ THIS:

A TRUE STORY



A stranger approached an 8 year old girl and asked her to come with him. He told her that something had happened and her mum had sent him to pick her up.

The girl asked the stranger for the Password! The man got confused and the girl ran away.

She and her mum had agreed on a password in case she ever had to send someone to pick her up. Maybe this saved the girl's life.

Packed Lunch Policy



The Governors agreed a new 'Food & Drink' Policy at their last meeting. The policy can be found in the policy zone of our web site.

There is an agreement that packed lunches should be healthy and comply with Government nutritional guidance just as school meals have to. Research has shown that nationally only 1 in 100 school packed lunches do so. There is a healthy snack swap chart at the top of the next column to give guidance on how packed lunches can be made healthier.

It is sometimes assumed that packed lunches are cheaper than school dinners. The cost for a week's school dinners is **£11** however the following costs are for items from Aldi for a week's worth of packed lunches:

Bread/Tea-cake or wrap	£1.00
Butter	£0.46
Filling – Ham, cheese or tuna	£2.97
Savoury snack	£0.99
Yoghurts	£0.99
Fruit – apples, grapes or carrots	£2.84
Cereal bar	£1.76
<u>Drink</u>	<u>£1.00</u>
TOTAL	£12.03 !!!

Smart lunchbox snap swaps

All healthy snacks cost less than 50p*

The infographic shows five categories of snacks to swap for healthier alternatives:

- CRISPS:** Swap crisps (like Walkers) for wholegrain cereals (like Weetabix, Muesli) and nuts.
- BARs:** Swap sugary bars (like Snickers, Nutri-Gran) for fresh fruit (like apples, grapes, bananas) and vegetables (like carrots).
- DRINKS:** Swap sugary drinks (like Ribena, LuSoy) for water and milk.
- TREATS:** Swap biscuits (like Mini Curls, Jolly Chops) for wholegrain bread, cornflakes, and nuts.
- DAIRY:** Swap sugary dairy products (like Lactogen) for fresh milk and yoghurt.

*Per serve and when bought in packs of 4, 6 or 8.

A healthy balanced lunch in 4 steps

1. Fill up on starchy foods by making a sandwich with bread, pasta or a roll, or make a salad with pasta, potato, couscous, lentils, rice or chick peas.



3. Add 2 or more fruit or veg to a salad, sandwich or eat as a snack.



2. Add a little protein to sandwiches or salad.



4. Take water or milk as a drink in bottle.



A treat sometimes is ok but chose healthier snacks.



Influenza vaccination

All children in Years from Reception to Year 6 in England are eligible for seasonal flu vaccination during the autumn of 2019.



The nasal flu vaccine

- Almost all eligible children will be able to have the vaccine as a nasal spray (up the nose), which is a quick and painless process.
- Serious side effects are uncommon but many children can develop a runny or blocked nose, headache, some tiredness or loss of appetite that lasts for a short period.



their GP or Pharmacies. We have placed an information booklet with regard to this in the 'Parenting Information & Guidance Zone' of our web site.

Flu vaccinations for adults are also available for adults on request at Pharmacies or large supermarkets for an average £10 fee. It could ensure a flu free winter and many school staff have already taken up this option locally.



FAB/PTA

The next meeting of the 'Friends at Beckstone' takes place at 3.30pm on **Thursday 14th November.**

The organisation is looking for new members and would very much welcome any parent wanting to support the fund raising activities at the school. The school is offering FREE child care at Beckstone Xtra for all attending plus free coffee. The meeting will take place in the staff room.

YOUR PTA



Next Meeting: Thursday 14th November at 3.30pm
Make a date in your diary!

DO YOU LIVE IN OR AROUND WORKINGTON?
DO YOU HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN?
LOOKING FOR A NURSERY SETTING?

30 HRS FREE CHILDCARE FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILIES

Beckstone Primary 01946 830423
 Distington Community School 01946 830526
 St Michael's Nursery & Infant 01900 608111
 Derwent Vale Primary & Nursery 01900 601233
 St Gregory's Catholic Primary 01900 606050
 Westfield Nursery & Primary 01900 874000
 Ashfield Infant & Nursery 01900 606301
 Seaton Academy 01900 66982

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!

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BIG Dance



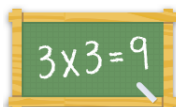
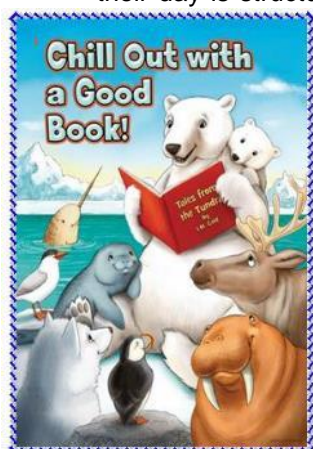
Rehearsals have now started for our 2020 entry into BIG Dance, a replacement showcase of dancing that

has replaced Rock Challenge. Due to high numbers we had to audition, and we were very impressed at how maturely the children took the decisions made. The performance will be on the stage at the Sands Centre on Wednesday 25th March 2020.

Homework

The most important homework of all is to ensure you read with your child for at least 20 minutes daily or ensure their day is structured to allow them to, read on their own, when they are able for sustained periods. Indeed, reading to your child at bed time for example is also extremely valuable. The world of books will develop your child's imagination, vocabulary and knowledge of the world around them. It is quite simply the key to learning!

There is also a lot of information to help your child with reading in the 'Parenting Information Zone' on our web site.



In addition, we ask that you help your child learn their times tables. Times Table Rockstars is the best way of learning these, children from Year 2 upwards should know their log-ins for this and there are rewards

in school for this. There are lots of computer-based activities available through the Computer Home Access zone (linked to this QR code) and also times tables songs and worksheets in the Parenting Information Zone



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE

FREE FRESH FOOD

PLUS PACKET AND TINNED PRODUCTS AVAILABLE TO ALL, AT WORKINGTON BRITISH LEGION

JANE ST. WORKINGTON ON THE THIRD FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

DOORS OPEN 11.00A.M. **be prompt!**

Organised by FareShare and WORKINGTON DERWENT ROTARY CLUB
 "fighting hunger, tackling food waste"

DONATIONS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Residentials

Year 6 are visiting Kingswood Outdoor Education Centre in May and Year 5 are visiting Edinburgh in that same half term. Further details will be issued in due course.



Health

NHS Cumbria have developed a great website for parents that gives them a 'pathway' to diagnose what could be medically wrong with their child (e.g. if they have a high temperature). There is a link to this site below or on our web site in the health area of our Parenting Information & Guidance Zone. It really is worth a look.

Advice and Guidance for Children



Please select the buttons below for the relevant Pathway advice and guidance:



<http://www.northcumbriaccg.nhs.uk/health-services/Advice-and-Guidance-for-Children/Advice-and-Guidance-for-Children.aspx>



After nearly 29 years of teaching in our School, Mrs McKeating has taken the decision to retire to spend time looking after her family. She's taught children, parents and even grandparents from our community. She wants us to know how much she'll miss the children. She'll be missed and we wish her a long and happy retirement.

Her class is currently being taught by Ms Vaughan and has been renamed 3MV.

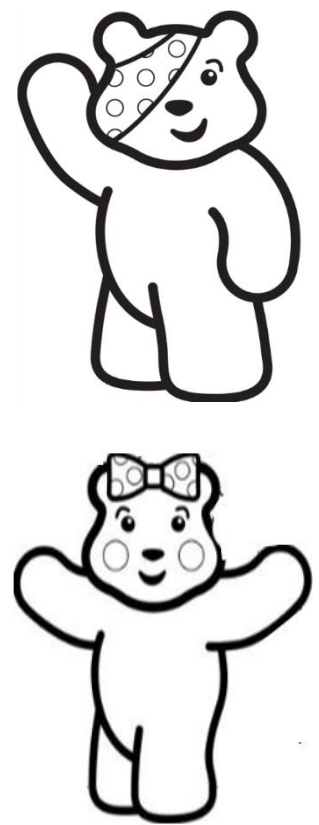
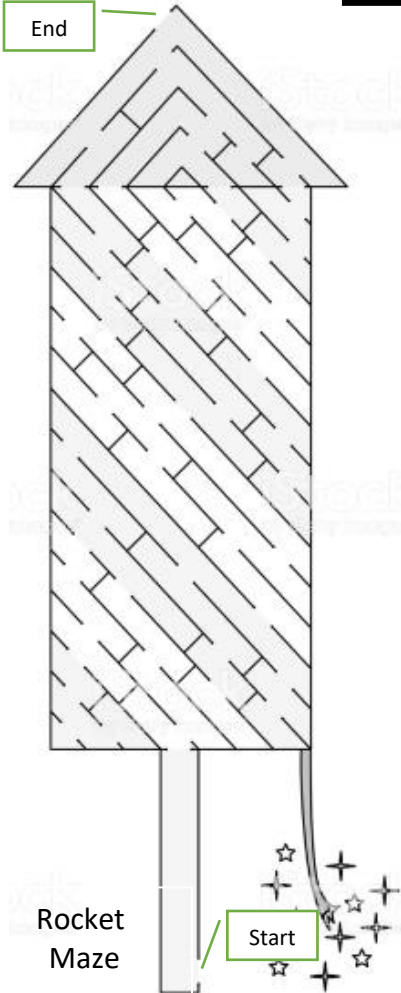
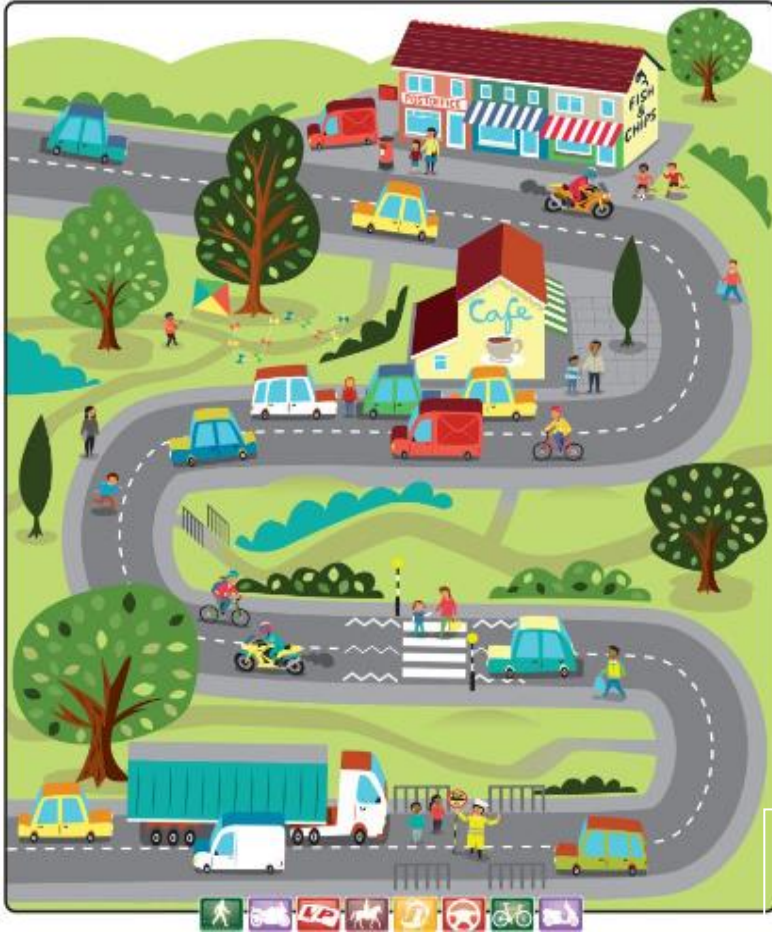


Kids Page

Articles, jokes, puzzles and reviews done by pupils would be welcomed on this page. All you need to do is hand it in to Mr Warbrick.

Spot the hazards

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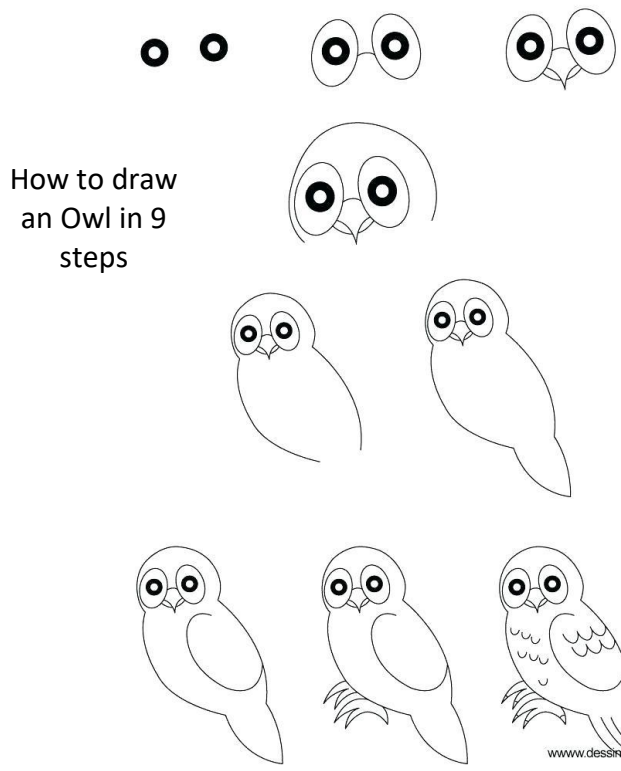
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Firework Wordsearch



- FIREWORKS
- GUNPOWDER
- GUYFAWKES
- SPARKLER
- ROCKET
- BONFIRE
- ROMAN CANDLE
- FUSE
- SMOKE

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How to draw an Owl in 9 steps

Need to contact your Councillor?



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Term Dates until Summer 2023

	Autumn 2019	Spring 2020	Summer 2020	Autumn 2020	Spring 2021	Summer 2021	Autumn 2021	Spring 2022	Summer 2022	Autumn 2022	Spring 2023	Summer 2023
Start of Term	Wednesday 4 th September	Tuesday 7 th January	Tuesday 14 th April May/VE Day – Fri 8 th	Wednesday 2 nd September	Tuesday 5 th January	Monday 19 th April May Day – Mon 3 rd	Thursday 2 nd September	Wednesday 5 th January	Wednesday 20 th April May Day – Mon 2 nd	Wednesday 7 th September	Wednesday 4 th January	Monday 17 th April May Day – Mon 1 st
Half Term	Monday 21 st October – Friday 25 th October	Monday 17 th February – Friday 21 st February	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May	Monday 26 th October – Friday 30 th October	Monday 15 th February – Friday 19 th February	Monday 31 st May – Friday 4 th June	Monday 25 th October – Friday 29 th October	Monday 14 th February – Friday 18 th February	Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June	Monday 24 th October – Friday 28 th October	Monday 20 th February – Friday 24 th February	Monday 29 th May – Friday 2 nd June
End of Term	Friday 20 th December	Friday 17 th March	Friday 17 th July	Friday 18 th December	Thursday 1 st April	Friday 16 th July	Friday 17 th December	Friday 1 st April	Wednesday 20 th July	Tuesday 20 th December	Friday 31 st March	Wednesday 19 th July

Diary Dates



November

Fri 1st – Y6 Play Leader Training
Week beg. 4th – Nursery Rhyme Challenge
Wed 6th – Allerdale Netball Finals
Sun 10th – Remembrance Parade
Week beg. 11th – Anti Bullying Week #changestartswithus
Mon 11th – Remembrance Silence
Wed 13th – Gymnastics tournament
Thurs 14th – FAB Meeting 3.30pm
Fri 15th – Children in Need Day
Week beg. 18th – Road Safety Week
Mon 18th – Max & Paddy assembly
- Year 4 visiting Alhambra, Keswick



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let us not forget



Tue 19th – Governor Challenge Day
- Nursery 'Come & Play' 4-5pm
Wed 20th – 'Beep Beep' Day
- KS1 Road Safety Talks
- Nursery 'Come & Play' 4-5pm
Thu 21st – Nasal Flu Vaccinations & R & Y6 Dent
- National Takeover Day
- KS1 Road Safety Talks
Fri 22nd – Chocolate & Bottle Non-Uniform Day
- Group from 3LS to East Croft

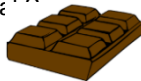


Mon 25th & Tue 26th – Parents' Evenings
Fri 29th – Breakfast Club sandwiches on sale
- CHRISTMAS F

December



Mon 2nd – Reception Whinlatter Trip
Tue 3rd – Y5&6 Sports Hall Athletics competition
Thu 5th – Circuits Morning
- Group Carol singing at Salterbeck Over 55's
Mon 9th – Christmas Post Boxes Out
- R & KS1 Cinema Night
Tue 10th Dec – Nursery Nativity am, Reception Nativity pm
- KS2 Cinema Night
Wed 11th – 4DP Carol singing at the Galloping Horse
Thu 12th Dec - Christmas Dinner & Free Festive Non Uniform Day
- Over 55's Christmas performance
Mon 16th Dec – KS1 Christmas performance for parents 2pm
Tue 17th Dec – KS2 Christmas performance at Church 2pm
Wed 18th Dec – KS1 Christmas performance for parents 2pm
- Y2 visiting Allerdale Disability Association
Thu 19th Dec – Christmas Raffle Draw
Fri 20th Dec – Carols in the Square 10.30am



Dates for 2020



Tue 7th Jan – Children re-start
Tue 21st Jan – Y3&4 Quicksticks Hockey Tournament
Thu 16th – Year 3 & 4 Tullie House Anglo Saxon Assembly
Fri 24th Jan – M&M Productions – 'Snow White'
- Group from 5/6JMcG visiting East Croft
- Tue 28th Jan – Curriculum & Pupils Meeting 5pm & Main Governors 6pm
Thu 30th Jan – Young Voices Trip
Fri 31st Jan – Class Assembly – 4JWa
Tue 4th Feb- Y3&4 Multi-Skills competition
Thu 6th Feb – 'Sign2Sing' non uniform day
Fri 7th Feb – Class Assembly – 5LJ
Mon 11th Feb – KS1 & R Cinema Night
Wed 12th Feb – KS2 Cinema Night
Thu 13th Feb – Circuits Morning
- Over 55's coming for lunch
Fri 14th Feb – Class Assembly – 3LS
Tue 25th Feb – Y1&2 Multi Skills competition
Wed 26th & Thu 27th Feb – Water Workshops
Fri 28th Feb – A group from 6HG visiting East Croft
Thu 5th March – World Book Day & 'Play in a Day'
Mon 8th March – Duck eggs arrive
Tue 10th March – Year 4 Tullie House Viking Trip
- KS1 & R Bingo Night
Wed 11th Mar – Year 3 Tullie House Viking Trip
- KS2 Bingo Night
Thu 12th – Sport Relief Mile
Fri 13th Mar – Class Assembly – 2SF
Mon 16th – Ducks on tour!
- KS1 & R Cinema Night
Tue 17th Mar & Wed 18th Mar – Parents' Evenings
Thu 19th Mar – - Non Uniform for Down's syndrome Association
- KS2 Cinema Night
Fri 20th Mar – Class Assembly – R/1JWh
Week beg. 23rd Mar – Egg & Bonnet week
Mon 23rd Mar – Circuits Morning
Tue 24th Mar – Y3&4 Tennis Tournament
Tue 24th Mar & Wed 25th Mar – Reception Come & Play 2-3pm
Wed 25th March – BIG Dance at Sands Centre
Thu 26th – Egg Dumping Final
- A group from 4JWa visiting East croft
Fri 27th Mar – Class Assembly – 1/2RM
Sun 29th Mar – Clocks go forward
Tue 14th Apr – Children start back
Thu 23rd Apr – Class Photo Day
Fri 24th Apr – Class Assembly – 3JM
- A group from Reception visiting East Croft
Tue 28th Apr – Staffing & Finance 5pm, Main Governors 6pm
Fri 1st May – Class Assembly – RJT
Tue 5th May – Y1&2 Football Competition
Wed 6th May – Workington Academy Pre-Admission Evening
Mon 11th – Thu 14th May – KS2 & KS1 SATS week
Mon 18th – KS1 & R Cinema Night
Tue 19th May – School Swimming Gala
- Governor Challenge Day
- KS2 Cinema Night
Wed 20th – Fri 22nd May – Y6 Kingswood Trip
Fri 22nd May – Class Assembly – 4DP
- A group from 1AC are visiting East Croft
- Wed 3rd June – Uniform try on event for Workington Academy, 3.45 to 6pm
Fri 5th June – Class Assembly – 1AC
Mon 8th June – Phonics screening week & Y4 X Table tests (for 3 weeks)
Sponsored Circuits Day
Thu 11th June – Workington Swimming Gala
Fri 12th June – Y1&2 Kinder cricket Competition
Thu 19th June – 'Off by heart' Individual Challenge
- Workington Academy Tutor day
Thu 25th June – Imran Kowali visiting
Fri 26th June – Secondary Transition Day
- A group from 4DP are visiting East Croft
Mon 29th June – Health Week
Tue 30th June – Sports day (reserve on 2nd July)
Mon 6th July – KS1 & R Cinema Night
Tue 7th July – KS2 Cinema Night
Wed 8th July – Summer Trip for classes RJT & R/1JWh to Maryport Aquarium
Thu 9th July – Y6 Keswick Transition Day
Fri 10th July – Meet new classes day part 1
- A group from 1/2RM visiting East Croft
Mon 13th July - Meet new classes day part 2
Tue 14th July – Y6 Graduation
Wed 15th July – Curriculum Evening & Reports Out
Thu 16th July – Fun day
Fri 17th July - Beckstone's Got Talent & close for summer