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Newsletter no. 2 October 2019

There should be an 'Operation Christmas Child' flyer with this newsletter



Welcome to the October newsletter. There are less than 3 weeks left of school until half term. However it is a busy time as witnessed by the dates on the back.

Indeed, over this month we have our Harvest Celebrations; Cinema Nights, a circuits morning and a non-uniform day amongst many other events. Details of these and more are within the newsletter.

ParentPay

A big change that is happening towards the end of the month is a move towards cashless payments

for many services at school. Please see the article inside and note the letter going home tomorrow specifically about this.

Please take time to read the contents of this newsletter so you can really involve yourself in the life of the school and learn more about how to support your child.

If you would like articles on anything to do with education in future issues then please do get in touch with school. In addition, please remember your views are always welcome and can be given in person, via the parent suggestion box at the top of the hill or through our web site



Best wishes, Mr Warbrick

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- **Beckstone Cleaning & Electrical Services**
 - Belle Amour Photography
 - Councillor Marjorie Rae
 - Cumbria Coast Karate
 - Curzon Street Dental Hygienist
 - Harrington Pharmacy
 - High Harrington Community Centre
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 - Step by Step The Wobbly Wand



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Parent Pay

The school is launching a new online cashless payment system from the 28th October 2019. Money for school lunches and trips will only be accepted through this system.

You will receive a letter from the school office **TOMORROW** (Wednesday 2nd October) marked private and confidential with your child's unique username and password for a ParentPay account.

The only money that will accepted into school will be for 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 your child receives free school meals or universal free school meals (Reception and Key Stage 1) can we please ask you to create your account as you will be required to pay for school trips through this system. Please could we ask you to have your account setup **by Friday 18th October**. The school will receive notifications when parents have completed their registration.

If you have any problems please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

<u>Harrington Pharmacy</u>

25 Church Road Tel 01946 833565

Free prescription collection service from Workington and Distington surgeries, for all ages

Regular promotions throughout the shop

Selection of household, baby and toiletry products. Plus, perfumes and gifts

 Free repeat medication check- up service

<u>Opening hours</u> Mon-Fri 9am-5.30pm Sat 9am-12.30pm



Our Book Fair will continue to be open until Wednesday at morning playtimes and after school. You should have received a flyer detailing some of the books available but there are many more, it is worth coming up after school for a good browse. Please do support the Fair if you can, the school earns commission on everything sold towards extra books for your children to read in school.

School Photographs

Book Fair

You should have received proofs of your children's photos on Thursday last week. Please can orders be made either through school or online by THIS Thursday. Orders within a 7 day period have FREE P&P. It is better for school if you order online as the school benefits from increased commission.



The photographer will return on Thursday 23rd April 2020 for class photographs.





October is traditionally the month of Harvest. To mark this celebratory time of year Key Stage 1 children will be performing Harvest songs for Harrington Over 55's on Thursday 10th October. They will then share their songs with the school on Friday 11th October in an assembly where we are asking for food donations for the local Foodbank. Further details of the food that would be welcomed are described later in this newsletter.



Our Key Stage 1 pupils will then sing their Harvest songs in Church for parents from 2pm on Monday 14th October. All parents are welcome. Children can go home from Church with a parent or will be escorted back to the school for the end of the school day.

Respect for Residents

We have received a number of complaints recently from local

residents about inconsiderate parking (e.g. on or blocking people's drives), leaving litter and cigarette ends. The main issues centre on Church Road and the car park at Wesleyan Court which is a residents only car park. Please can all parents please park considerately. Given there are rewards for walking to school perhaps leave the car and pick up your child on foot which is much better for health and for the environment.



<u>Gurning</u>



In recognition of the 'World Gurning Championship' that takes place every year at Egremont Crab Fair the school held its own annual Gurning competition which was enjoyed by all. Photos of the event and all the finalists and photo gallery of our web site as well

are in the film and photo gallery of our web site as well as the details of the knockout. The final took place between Kian from Y6 and Anya from Y3 with Anya winning the event, She is pictured below. Congratulations to all the children who took part, they were great sports!



Year 6 Transition

 Workington Academy are offering daytime tours for Year 6 families throughout the month of October. Details are on the flyer, it is well worth a look and will help in making an important decision over your child's future.



 The deadline to apply for a secondary school place for your child in 2019 is 31st October 2019. <u>https://www.gov.uk/schools-</u> <u>admissions/applying</u> If you have any problems please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Vaughan on 01946 830423

Secondary School Admissions Deadline





Give Blood – Help Save a Life!

Give Blood The next donor session you can book online is Thursday 10th October from 3 to 7pm at Workington Leisure Centre or on Friday 25th October at the Bridge Centre at the same times.

Do something worthwhile and save someone's life

Further details and booking details can be found at <u>www.blood.co.uk</u>



Curriculum Overview

The topics your child will be studying this year are shown on the next page. Please use it to support your child's learning and you can link it into family trips, books etc

Cornerstones	Summer 2	2020 Otympics Health Week	How high can I jump?	Who lives in a rock pool?	Superheroes	Potions	Our American Adventure
	Summer 1		Why is water wet?	Why do ladybirds have spots?		1066	Our Americ
Learning Topics Year A 2019-2020	Spring 2	Fairtrade or What a Wonderful World Week	Are eggs alive?	Will you read me a story?	Paws, Claws & Whiskers	Traders & Raiders	Flow
	Spring 1	KS1 Big Garden Bird Watch Off by Heart Individual Performance World Book Day 7th March	Can we explore it?				Alchemy Island
	Autumn 2		Is it Shiny?	Why do Zebras have stripes?	Castles	I am Warrior!	Stargazers
TONE	Autumn 1	Democracy Rules Week Off by Heart Choral Performance 4ª Oct	Why do leaves go drispy?	Do you want to be friends?	Enchanted Castles	Stone Age	How Mining Changed Herrington
BECKS		Cumiculum Enhancements	Nursery	Reception	Year 1 & 2	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6

Creativity Cup

Lottie from Nursery was awarded the Creativity Cup for this half term. She was awarded it for her creative approach to all aspects of Nursery life and for her creative flair for dancing both in and out of school



Air Ambulance

Great North The Air Ambulance Service delivered an assembly to the school yesterday. They talked about the importance of the service, showed a short animation and



Miles, the Air Ambulance Mascot, also visited.



Non-Uniform Day

There will be a follow up non-uniform day THIS Friday to support the air Ambulance.

There will be a further one on the last day of this half term to support the NSPCC charity. The NSPCC are also visiting the school this week (see later article)

100 Club

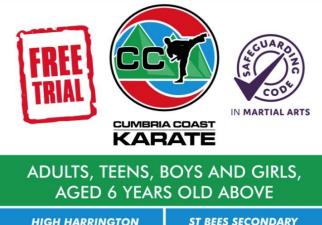
The first draw of the year will take place at the end of this month. There are chances to win £30, £15 or £5 on a monthly



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 £10. Please see the School Office. The October draw will be at the end of this month,

BEGINNERS CLASSES ENROLLING NOW www.cumbriacoastkarate.co.uk



HIGH HARRINGTON COMMUNITY CENTRE TUESDAYS 6pm-8pm SUNDAYS 5pm-7pm

LAMPLUGH VILLAGE HALL MONDAYS 6pm-8pm

THURSDAYS 6pm-8pm THE GATHER ENNERDALE WEDNESDAYS 6pm-8pm

SCHOOL MEMORIAL HALL

EARN KARATE IN A FAMILY FRIENDLY CLUB FOR MORE INFO OR TO ENROL CALL E SELF ESTEEM RN HOW TO USE IN SELF DEFENCE

(THIS NUMBER DOES NOT ACCEPT TEXT MESSAGES)

ALL INSTRUCTORS ARE FIRST AID TRAINED AND DBS CHECKED

Revisewise

Free revision classes for Year 6 children now take place on a Wednesday and a Thursday from 8.20 8.50am. Please to



encourage your children to attend as it has proved to impact on their outcomes in Year 6.

All Year 6 children should be attending!

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

Lost Property

The 'Lost Property Bench' has already had to be emptied! We cannot stress enough how important it is to

label all your child's clothing and then it can be returned to them. Your children also need to take responsibility for going home from school with all the clothes they came in!



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This is a nationwide programme for every primaryschool-aged child in the UK and Channel Islands. With the help of their friendly mascot Buddy, they'll be presenting an assembly to the children in our school as well as workshops for Years 5 and 6.

What is the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme?

Through child-friendly, interactive assemblies and workshops their specially trained staff and volunteers will give our children information about how to keep themselves safe from harm and how to get help if they have any worries, sensitively discussing issues like bullying and sexual abuse, without using scary words or adult language.

We have studied the content of the materials and heard from other schools who have participated and are extremely confident that they are appropriate for primary-school-aged children. By the end of their visit, we're convinced children will feel empowered - knowing how they can speak out and stay safe.

If you would like any more information about the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' programme you can visit the NSPCC website nspcc.org.uk/speakout

Talking PANTS with your children

The NSPCC's work in schools will help encourage conversations about staying safe - and they have a number of child-friendly materials to help you carry on the conversation afterwards. That includes 'Talk PANTS', a simple way for parents to help keep children safe from sexual abuse - without using scary words or even mentioning sex.

The guide uses the rules of PANTS to teach children that their body belongs to them and them alone. You can find out more and download the free resources at nspcc.org.uk/pants

If you'd like to know more about the NSPCC's work, or take a look at the wide range of information and advice which is available for parents and carers, please visit their website nspcc.org.uk/parents



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 should be in a leaflet accompanying this newsletter. If you do not have one then spares are available from the School Office.

Making a shoebox could be a half term activity with your child!

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





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. 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.

Foodbank

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

A list of foods welcomed is below:



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

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- 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)

the trussell trust



Wouldn't you like cleaner teeth?

It's **easier** and **cheaper** than you think.

FIONA WOODWARD, DENTAL HYGIENIST WITH 23 YEARS EXPERIENCE IS AVAILABLE FOR APPOINTMENTS AT CURZON STREET DENTAL SURGERY IN MARYPORT.

SO IF YOU'RE SUFFERING WITH STAINED TEETH, BLEEDING GUMS OR BAD BREATH COME AND LET ME IMPROVE YOUR SMILE AND THE HEALTH OF YOUR MOUTH.



LET ME IMPROVE YOUR SMILE

CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT 01900 812109

After School Learning Clubs





Due to very tight private financial constraints we began charging for clubs last school year. The cost for an after school club is £10 per half term which equates to around

£1.50 per session. The price covers the cost of staffing and resources. The charging policy applies to all clubs except PE or Revision based classes which are an extension of the school curriculum. We would however welcome donations of up to £10 towards these clubs as there are also costs associated with these clubs too.

A maximum cap of £20 will be charged per family for clubs each half term.

Thank you for your understanding in this matter

A list of the clubs currently running are displayed in the column alongside.

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.

Extra Curriculum Clubs September/October 2019

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	MON	DAY		Charge				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Raspberry Pi	Mr Wilson	Year 5	£10.00				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Rock Challenge - Starts 16th Sept	Mrs Walker	Year 3, 4 & 5	NIL				
3:15 - 4: 15 p.m.	Rugby	Mrs Chambers	Year 4 & 5	Donation				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	SAT's Booster - Starts 30th Sept	Miss Gorman	Year 6 only	Donation				
HOCK	TUES	DAY	2.2	Charge				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Athletics	Mr Wise	Year 5 & 6	Donation				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Gardening Club - Get Beckstone Buzzing ONLY 10 PLACES	Mrs McAdam & Susan Cammish	Key Stage 2	NIL				
71	WEDNE	Charge						
8:20 - 8:50 a.m.	Revise Wise	Mr Wilson	Year 6 only	Donation				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Bananagrams - Start date to be confirmed	Mrs Trotter	Key Stage 2	£10.00				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Netball	Mrs Chambers	Year 5 & 6	Donation				
3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Mindfulness	Mrs Walker	Year 5 & 6	£10.00				
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3:15 - 4:15 p.m.	Drama	Mrs Wright	Key Stage 2 only	£10.00				
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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 <u>as soon as possible.</u>

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

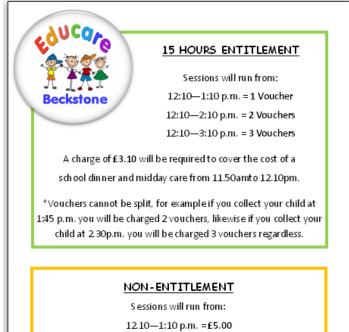
Our extended services include the Breakfast Club (£4.00 from 7.30am, £3.50 from 8am); Educare (our popular afternoon child care provision for morning Nursery children – see table below) Please note that unfortunately we are unable to offer facilities for packed lunches for Nursery

children. Beckstone Xtra (again £3.50 an hour) runs from the end of

the school day until 5.15pm

Beckstone

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.



1210—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 barked 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

Cars on Eadie Street



Please can anyone collecting children from school avoid using



Eadie Street (which is

residents' parking only) and certainly **DO NOT ATTEMPT A 3-POINT TURN** there. There were 2 occasions in the last month where a vehicle collecting children has done just that and has narrowly missed a child. Some of our children are very small and cannot be seen easily in a rear view mirror. We are sure that if anyone injured a child in such a way, they would find it very difficult to live with themselves.

Remove any danger by not picking up in a vehicle on Eadie Street.

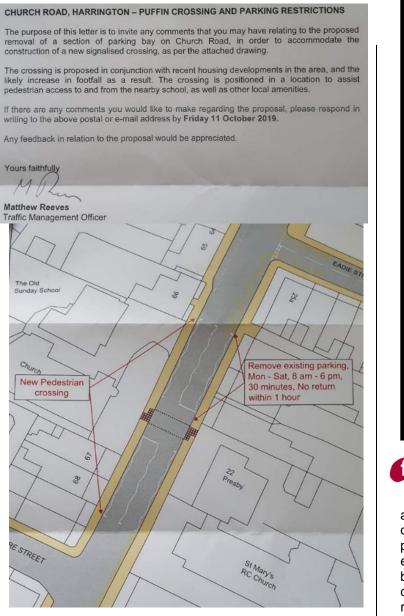
Church Road Crossing Proposals

There is currently a consultation on proposals for a Puffin crossing and consequently reduced parking on Church Road. A copy of the details sent to local residents is reproduced on the next page. You will note the new crossing is proposed to be placed just up from the Catholic Church, a different location to the traditional school crossing in front of the shops.

If you wish to make comments on the proposals then you can write to:

The Traffic Team West, Joseph Noble Road, Lillyhall Industrial estate, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 4JX or call on : 0300 303992

or email at: trafficteamwest@cumbria.gov.uk



Road Safety

Whilst on the subject of road safety we will be holding a 'Road Safety Week' in 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.





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).

School Milk

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 second half term of the Autumn is **£9.00** and this needs to be paid by Friday 1st November. Due to the administrative burden of checking attendance and the inability to change the order daily unfortunately milk money cannot be refunded for absence.





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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"

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

School Savings Account

Encourage your child to start saving for something special they would like (or for next Christmas!) 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

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 THIS Friday 4th October (postponed from last week) and then again on Friday 18th October.

National Poetry Day

National Poetry Day takes place on Thursday this week. To mark this event each class has been learning a poem and will perform their poem in assembly on Friday in our 'Off by Heart Choral Challenge'. Each class will be able to vote for their favourite rendition resulting in a winning class.

There is also a competition being run by the Library Service which has a closing date of next Monday, 7th October. Details are below. Please note entry forms should be handed in to the local library.



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 professio



below. The event costs £20 for professionals or £15 for family members. Further details and a booking form can be found at: <u>https://www.wcdssg.com/send-conference</u>



Amanda Glennon
Inclusive Teaching Matters - Using Numicon in the Classroom

Prof. Sue Buckley OBE Effective Ways to Teach Children with Down's Syndrome dse

Susan Oglanby Using Makaton to Support Communication and Speech

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.





<u>Cinema Nights</u>

Secret Life of Pets 2 - R & KS1

Aladdin – KS2

The first Cinema nights of the Year take place in October (dates on back page). The price including care, refreshments



and ice cream will be £6 this year. Further details and booking forms will be sent out nearer the time.



Aldi Vouchers

Aldi are issuing Kit for Schools' Vouchers that we are hoping to collect.

How it works is every time you spend over £30 in any Aldi store, you'll receive a Team GB sticker. Take your stickers to school to help complete our collection poster. Once complete with 300 stickers we send the poster back to Aldi and will receive an exclusive sports kit and to be in with a chance to win £20,000 for your school.

Please support this if you can! Please bring stickers to the School Office.



East Croft Crafts

Each month a group from a class will visit the East Croft care home to support the residents in their craft afternoon. It is a community building initiative and we are grateful to Hobans' Coaches for providing the transport free of charge for this worthwhile purpose.



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

Community Environmental Action

Our thanks go to Harrington Cub Scouts who recently litter picked the Rae Way path at the rear of the school. They ended up with 5 (!!) bin bags full of rubbish. The litter may have been dropped out of school hours but please can all who use the front and rear entrances to the school ensure that any rubbish is taken home with them or placed in an appropriate rubbish bin.



Thanks also go to the Pearson sisters who helped Susan Cammish, Workington Nature Partnership Officer, with a clean-up of Harrington Shore recently. Caring for our local environment is a great example of being active citizens.

Half Term Activities

Please do make use of our 'Holiday Activity Zone' on our web site. Whenever we get information about events and activities that take place in the school holidays, we post them to



that zone. There is already information up there about a Disney movie day on Tuesday 22nd October where 3 films will be shown at the Helena Thompson Museum. In addition, there is also a Halloween Craft afternoon there on Wednesday 23rd October.



Alex Ryder Spy Residential

Class 5/6JMcG were on a residential at the back end of last week at Hawkshead Youth Hostel. The children were engaged in many missions relating to the Alex

Ryder books and had a wonderful time. The leaders at the centre said the children's communication skills and behaviour were absolutely outstanding, the best they had ever come across! We are very proud of them and our thanks go to Ms McGill for



organising the trip and to Mrs Cook and Mrs McAdam who also gave up family time to accompany the trip. A photo is reproduced above and there are many more in the 'Film and Photo Gallery of our web site.

Arabella's Princess Coffee Morning



Our Year 6 children and school staff organised a coffee morning last Friday to raise money for Arabella's Princess Fund. The generosity of



families was a wonder to behold with plentiful donations of cakes. Parents and children attended the event for refreshments and cake and to play on stalls staffed by the Year 6 children. All helpers wore tiaras. Altogether we have raised over £1,055 which is amazing. Particular praise has to go to Mrs Chambers, the driving

force behind this event.

Kitchen Vacancy

We have a vacancy for a relief kitchen assistant. The salary is £8.21 an hour. Caterlink are looking to recruit a relief Kitchen Assistant to join our team. The position is on a casual basis term time only.



As a relief you would assist in all aspects of the kitchen, ensuring a high standard of hygiene and cleanliness throughout the kitchen area. The job involves basic food preparation, the serving of meals, washing up and cleaning.

Appointments are subject to DBS clearance and references. Food Safety & Hygiene Level 2 is required however training is available to attain this.

If you are interested or would like an informal chat then please contact Susan Armstrong (Cook Supervisor) in the kitchen at the school on 01946 830423



Our congratulations go to Ms Cunningham who is getting married on the last



Saturday of half term. On her return in January she will be known as Mrs Cunningham

ncess Coffee Morning





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 Seven Differences





Halloween Maze



