



HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Monday 27th February 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

I do hope that the children had an enjoyable half term break and this term is always a very busy one with lots of notable dates and events to participate in. Hopefully the 'dates for your diary' section will be of great use! This term, I have tried to list as many upcoming dates as possible, including key dates for the summer term, to allow you to plan in advance although there may be more dates to add as the year continues to unfold!

NEU National Strike Action – Tuesday 28th February 2023

We are currently expecting to open as normal tomorrow, Tuesday 28th February 2023. As mentioned previously, this is still subject to change should there be any last-minute staffing implications and it is also possible that some staffing reorganisation is necessary. We will confirm opening arrangements by text tomorrow morning before 8am.

Online Safety Policy

As part of our statutory requirement to have an Online Safety Policy, we ask all parents and pupils to sign an ICT agreement to agree to the conditions of ICT use as outlined by the school. Our recently revised Online Safety Policy is available to view on the school website (INFORMATION – POLICIES – ONLINE SAFETY POLICY) and we will shortly be sending home paper copies of the ICT agreement. Please read the 'PUPIL/PARENT ICT ACCEPTABLE USE AGREEMENT' and then return the signed slip to school by Friday 31st March 2023. You may find this a useful opportunity to talk to your child about online safety and there are some useful links in the E-Safety section of our school website.

PE uniform

We politely request that pupils wear the correct uniform in school for our PE lessons, particularly as this is worn for the full day. PE kit comprises of **black** leggings/suitable sports trousers or shorts and a plain white or High Hesket logo top. We ask that the black sports trousers are as plain as possible with minimal stripes, patterns or logos although we acknowledge that some limited detail may be unavoidable. The children should wear their school uniform jumpers/cardigans to arrive in school but may change in to an alternative sweatshirt or hoodie for the PE lesson if required. We do normally have lots of second-hand uniform items in school so please let us know if you would like us to provide you with any pieces of uniform.

Year 3 Play in a Day performance – Wednesday 1st March 2023

A reminder that Year 3 parents are welcome to watch the 'Play in a Day' performance on Wednesday 1st March 2023. Please enter via the hall door and we are aiming for a 2.45pm start.

World Book Day – Thursday 2nd March 2023

We are looking forward to celebrating World Book Day with the children on Thursday 2nd March 2023. Miss McDermott sent out a letter just before the half term break with all of the details for the day so please refer to the website if you need any further information (PARENTS – NEWSLETTERS – WORLD BOOK DAY LETTER FEB 2023).

Dates for the diary:

SPRING TERM

Monday 27th February – 10th March 2023 – Fairtrade fortnight

Wednesday 1st March 2023 – Year 3 Play in a Day (Y3 parents welcome to watch at 2.45pm in the school hall)

Thursday 2nd March 2023 – World Book Day

Wednesday 8th March 2023 – Year 6 U Dance performance

Tuesday 14th March 2023 – EYFS 'Stay and Play' session for parents 8.45 – 10am

Friday 17th March 2023 – Red Nose Day (non-uniform)

Monday 27th March 2023 – Year 3 trip to Vindolanda

Tuesday 28th March 2023 & Wednesday 29th March 2023 – Nursery – Year 5 Parent's Evenings

Friday 31st March 2023 – Last day of term



SUMMER TERM

Monday 17th April 2023 – School reopens

Wednesday 19th April – Friday 21st April 2023 – Year 5 residential to Derwent Hill

Monday 1st May 2023 – School closed for Bank Holiday

Monday 8th May 2023 – School closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May – Friday 12th May 2023 – Year 6 Key Stage 2 SATs week

Thursday 18th May 2023 – Outdoor Classroom Day

Friday 19th May 2023 – Year 5 & 6 RSE sessions with school nurse

Friday 26th May 2023 – Last day of term

Monday 5th June 2023 – School reopens

Monday 19th June 2023 – Year 4 Play in a Day (Y4 parents welcome to watch at 2.50pm in the school hall)

Monday 19th June 2023 – Year 5 visit day to UCC

Thursday 22nd June 2023 – Year 1 and Year 5 trip to Life Centre in Newcastle

Monday 26th June 2023 – Year 5 visit day to Caldew School

Thursday 29th June 2023 – Whole class photographs

Wednesday 5th July 2023 – Year 2 school trip

Wednesday 5th July 2023 – Year 6 Leavers celebration evening

Monday 10th July – Thursday 13th July 2023 – Year 6 Edinburgh residential

Wednesday 19th July 2023 – Year 6 farewell for Y6 parents at 1.15pm

Wednesday 19th July 2023 – School closes for summer holidays (normal finish time)

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harvey
Headteacher