















HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Thursday 9th March 2023

Dear Parents & Carers,

We had a thoroughly enjoyable World Book Day last week and we would like to thank all of the children, staff and parents for making it such a success. For those of you who attended our 'Book Day Bonanza' after school on Thursday, I am sure you will agree that it was a really lovely event and we look forward to future opportunities to involve our whole school community in similar activities. I would also like to extend a huge "Well done!" to our Year 6 class who performed yesterday on the Sands Centre stage as part of the U Dance Festival. They did an amazing job of representing the school and their dance was incredibly moving to watch.

NEU National Strike Action – Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th March 2023

The National Education Union are planning two further days of industrial action on Wednesday 15th March 2023 and Thursday 16th March 2023. As mentioned previously, our staffing may be impacted by the strike action or by the impact on childcare if other settings close. Should we be unable to safely staff any classes, we will email those parents directly with as much notice as possible although we may not know this for definite until the actual day. We will send confirmation texts by 8am on the morning of Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March as we have done previously.

Parent Governor election

We are pleased to announce that, following the recent election process, Mr Mark Shepherd will be continuing in his role as parent governor and as Chair of Governors. We are very grateful for the efforts and involvement of our Governing Body who regularly visit school and attend meetings to help with the strategic development of High Hesket CE School.

Comic Relief - Friday 17th March 2023

To celebrate Red Nose Day we will be having a non-uniform day where the children are welcome to come dressed in their own clothes. PE kit is not required for those children who have PE on a Friday but it would be advisable to ensure the children have access to suitable footwear for running around. On this day, donations for Comic Relief are very welcome (suggested donation £1) and will be gratefully received.

Sports Day – Wednesday 28th June 2023

We plan to hold our annual Sports Day during the afternoon of Wednesday 28th June, weather permitting! More information will be provided closer to the time.

Dates for the diary:

SPRING TERM

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

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

Wednesday 22nd March 2023 – Year 5 parent meeting for Derwent Hill residential at 3.30pm

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

Wednesday 28th June 2023 – Sports Day (afternoon) weather permitting

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