



HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Firstly, I would like to say a huge thank you for your understanding during our recent power loss. I fully appreciate that an unexpected school closure can cause some significant disruption so I am very grateful for your support and patience. I think we are all looking forward to some better weather!

Goodbye Mrs Whitehead!

After 13 years at High Hesket CE School, Mrs Whitehead will be leaving us at half term to start a new role working in Further Education. She has been a Higher-Level Teaching Assistant for many years, working in a range of classes, and we are incredibly grateful for the dedication she has brought to her role. She will be a real miss but we wish her lots of luck for her new job!

World Book Day – Thursday 7th March 2024

Last year's World Book Day celebrations were fantastic and we thoroughly enjoyed sharing our favourite stories with the children. We are currently in the process of making arrangements for this year and would also like to invite the children to come dressed in book related outfits again for the day. They may choose to dress as their favourite character or to take inspiration from a non-fiction book. Alternatively, if they don't have a costume available, they are welcome to come in non-uniform.

Red Nose Day – Friday 15th March 2024

We will be raising money for Comic Relief by holding a non-uniform day in school and donations for doing so would be much appreciated (suggested donation £1). We will also have the Comic Relief red noses on sale in school for £2 each which will go on sale from Monday 4th March 2024.

Whole school project day – Wednesday 20th March 2024

We are excited to be trialling a whole school project day on Wednesday 20th March. The children will spend the day working in their colour house teams, participating in a range of different activities. We are looking forward to seeing the different year groups have the opportunity to mix together and are hoping it will provide our Year 6 children with the opportunity to support and lead their team mates. It will be quite a practical day and so the children are welcome to come in non-uniform for the day, including footwear that the children are able to be active in (trainers are ideal). As they will be organised into their house teams, the children are also very welcome to dress in an item of clothing or wear an accessory that represents the team colour (blue, red, yellow or green) which is the same colour they would normally wear for Sports Day. If you are unsure what team colour your child normally wears, please contact your child's class teacher.

Medications

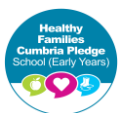
Just a reminder that we have to follow a strict policy in regards to any medication administered in school. This includes ensuring that paperwork has been completed by parents and that the medication is provided in its original packaging with the prescription label clearly evident. In emergency situations, we are able to administer pain relief but please note we will only do this in exceptional circumstances and with prior parental permission. If your child has been prescribed a course of antibiotics that has to be given three times a day we do request that, wherever possible, this is administered at home around the hours of the school day. Any medication on the premises must be handed to a member of school staff in the morning and can be kept safely in the office / suitable storage area until the end of the school day.

Dates for the diary:

Monday 5th February 2024 – Year 5 swimming lessons all week

Tuesday 6th February 2024 – Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 7th February 2024 – Year 4 visit to Pizza Express



Friday 9th February 2024 – School closes for the half term holiday

Monday 19th February 2024 – School reopens

Monday 19th February 2024 – Year 6 swimming lessons all week

Tuesday 5th March 2024 – EYFS Stay and play session (Physical Development and Early Writing focus) 8.45-10am

Thursday 7th March 2024 – World Book Day (book related costumes welcome)

Wednesday 13th March 2024 – Year 3 trip to Vindolanda

Friday 15th March 2024 – Red Nose Day (non uniform)

Monday 18th March 2024 – Year 6 U Dance performances

Wednesday 20th March 2023 – Whole school project day (non uniform and/or team colour items welcome)

Monday 25th March 2024 – Year 6 Edinburgh residential

Wednesday 27th March 2024 – Easter service at St Mary's Church (children only)

Thursday 28th March 2024 – School closes for the Easter holidays

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harvey
Headteacher