



HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Monday 11th November 2024

Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a productive first week back and enjoyed the opportunity to be outside for Outdoor Classroom Day last week. We were also impressed with the children's thoughtfulness and empathy during our Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church on Friday.

Red squirrel information session – Wednesday 13th November 2024

We are delighted to welcome a member of the Penrith & District Red Squirrel Group in to school on Wednesday who will be delivering a talk to Years 1-5 about the differences between red & grey squirrels, how red squirrels have become endangered and how we can help with their protection.

Scholastic Book Fair – Tuesday 12th, Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th November 2024.

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week from 3-3.30pm in the school hall. Please come along to see the range of fiction and non-fiction books on offer. Payments can be made with cash or by card and school receives a proportion of any sales as book vouchers after the event.

School photographs – Wednesday 13th November 2024

We are looking forward to welcoming Heidi, our school photographer on Wednesday who will be taking individual and family group photos. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, if there are any Nursery children who do not normally attend on a Wednesday, they are welcome to come at 8.30am to have their photograph taken. Parents should bring them to the hall door (located through the gate by the staff car park) and wait for the photographs to be taken. We also invite any younger siblings who are not yet at school to join us at 8.30am for family group photographs. If your child normally has PE on a Wednesday, we would ask that they come to school dressed in their uniform and bring their PE kit in a bag to change into once they have had their photographs taken.

Children in Need - Friday 15th November 2024

This Friday, we will be raising money for Children in Need and pupils are welcome to wear non-uniform to raise money for Children in Need. Donations are gratefully received (suggested amount of £1) and the children can give this to their class teachers on the day.

Flu immunisation nasal spray – Friday 15th November 2024

The immunisation team will be visiting school on Friday to administer the flu immunisation nasal spray to those children whose parents have provided consent.

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal - Cumbria Aid Ukraine

You should have received a flyer along with last week's newsletter to explain that we are supporting the Cumbria Aid Ukraine shoebox appeal. It would be lovely if some of our pupils were able to create, or donate to, shoeboxes of gifts which will be sent to Ukraine. Completed shoeboxes or donated items should be received in school by Friday 30th November and these will then be delivered to The Pot Place, Penrith, who are coordinating the donations. If you need any shoeboxes, please do get in touch as we have lots spare!

Dates for the diary:

Monday 11th November 2024 – Anti bullying week activities in school

Monday 11th November - Wednesday 13th November 2024 – Parents evening appointments

Tuesday 12th – Thursday 14th November 2024 - Scholastic Book Fair

Wednesday 13th November 2024 – Individual school photographs

Friday 15th November 2024 – Children in Need (non-uniform)

Friday 15th November 2024 – Flu immunisation team in school

Wednesday 20th November 2024 – Year 1 & 2 trip to the Devil's Porridge Museum



Friday 22nd November 2024 – Fundraising takeaway breakfast (more information to follow)

Tuesday 3rd December 2024 – Y1&2 Christmas performance at 2pm

Wednesday 4th December 2024 – EYFS Christmas performance at 9.15am and Y3&4 Christmas performance at 2pm

Thursday 5th December 2024 – Y1&2 Christmas performance at 9.15am and Y3&4 Christmas performance at 2pm

Friday 6th December 2024 – PTA Christmas Fair

Tuesday 10th December 2024 – Theatre by the Lake trip for Year 2-6

Wednesday 11th December 2024 – Cinema trip for Nursery, Reception & Year 1

Wednesday 18th December 2024 – Toy Day

Thursday 19th December 2024 – Christmas lunch and parties

Friday 20th December 2024 – Year 5 Carol Service at St Mary's Church at 1.30pm

Friday 20th December 2024 – School closes for the Christmas holidays

Tuesday 7th January 2025 – School reopens for the Spring term

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harvey
Headteacher