



HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term! I hope the children had a fabulous Easter break and we are looking forward to a busy summer term, hopefully with lots of lovely weather! Further dates for the summer events have been added to the diary section below to provide as much notice as possible and, for many of the below dates, additional information will follow nearer the time.

Year 6 transition visits

Over the course of the summer term, staff from the secondary schools will be arranging to visit the children in school to talk to them about their new settings and to give them the opportunity to ask any questions. You will then be contacted directly by your child's new secondary school with details of any transition visits later in the term.

New staff updates

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Nicky Harper to our teaching assistant team who will be joining us for the summer term and she will be working within several of our Key Stage 1 & Key Stage 2 classes. Mrs Harper has worked previously at the school and we are thrilled that she is returning to work with us until July. In addition to this, we are also pleased to welcome Miss Abigail Brown who will be joining us on Mondays during the summer term as a teaching assistant to support across classes and to help deliver some small group work. We are sure the children will make them both feel very welcome!

Summer weather

Although the High Hesket weather can be unpredictable, we are hoping for some sunny periods over the coming months. We like to use the field as much as possible when it is dry but, unfortunately, there is limited shade outside. As a result, we encourage children to bring a sun hat to school each day and to have sun cream applied prior to the start of the school day. The children are welcome to also bring sun cream to reapply during the day if necessary but ask that this does not contain any nut oils.

Recent fundraising

Thank you to everyone who supported our recent fundraising events for both the school and Comic Relief. Our Red Nose Day non-uniform day raised £116 and our afternoon tea collected a fantastic £207. We always really appreciate the support we receive for these activities.

Dates for the diary:

Tuesday 21st & Wednesday 22nd April 2026 – EYFS-Y5 parent's evenings

Monday 4th May 2026 – School closed for May bank holiday

Thursday 7th May 2026 – Year 2 trip to Carlisle Castle

Monday 11th – Thursday 14th May 2026 – Year 6 SATs week

Friday 15th May 2026 – Year 6 trip to Keswick Mountain Festival (more information to follow)

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May 2026 – Wellbeing Week (PE kits / sportswear all week)

Monday 18th & Tuesday 19th May 2026 – Reception 'Pedal & Scoot' sessions (more information to follow)

Tuesday 19th May 2026 – Year 3&4 Forest School session with Miss Kendall

Wednesday 20th May 2026 – Sports Day

Thursday 21st May 2026 – Outdoor Classroom Day

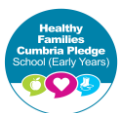
Friday 22nd May 2026 – Year 1&2 fun session at Woggle Goggle Swimming Pool & Activity Centre (more information to follow)

Friday 22nd May 2026 – Last day of term

Monday 1st June 2026 – School reopens

Wednesday 3rd June 2026 – Sports Day reserve date

Tuesday 9th June 2026 – Year 6 transition workshop with NISCU



Wednesday 10th June 2026 – Class photographs with school photographer

Tuesday 16th June 2026 – Whole School Project Day (non uniform / team colours welcome)

Monday 22nd June 2026 – Year 5 trip to Caldew School

Tuesday 23rd June 2026 – Year 6 Leaver's Service at Carlisle Cathedral (children only)

Thursday 25th June 2026 – Year 3&4 problem solving evening and Year 4 sleepover

Friday 26th June 2026 – PTA Colour Run (TBC)

Monday 29th June 2026 – Whole school 'moving up' day

Wednesday 8th July 2026 – Year 6 Leaver's play

Wednesday 15th July 2026 – Year 6 Leaver's service at St Mary's Church (Y6 families welcome)

Thursday 16th July 2026 – Toy Day

Friday 17th July 2026 – School closes for Summer Holiday

Friday 17th July 2026 – Year 6 Leaver's farewell at 3.30pm (Y6 families welcome)

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Harvey
Headteacher