



NEWSLETTER

Welcome back!

I hope you all had a good half-term! We are now into one of our busiest half-terms of the year; keeping pressing on with key learning and with lots of the other things that make primary school fun. We see these extra things like for example learning lines with the pantomime as things that enhance the children's learning and allow them to apply their reading and speaking and listening skills...as well as creating special memories.

Congratulations – Mrs Nowell

Congratulations to Miss Ward who got married just before half-term and is now Mrs Nowell. The children are trying to remember her new name!

Our parent association 'FOLS'

We held our first meeting of the year before half-term. We have a new chairperson, Jennifer Kilner (Montgomery in Year 3 and Oscar in Reception) and secretary, Sheona Stevenson (Cameron in Year 6 and Ruairidh in Year 3). Teri Butler continues as treasurer and we have a strong group of parent support. Thank you to all those who said that they could help on an ad-hoc basis as well; I am sure you will be being asked to help at different events. The next meeting is on Monday 20th November at 7pm at the Royal Oak. All are welcome. Please let one of us know if you are intending to come as we are booking a table.

Autumn Disco



The First FOLS event of the year is the Autumn disco this Friday. I am sorry if in changing the name of the event it has confused the children or worried parents about costumes and I have maybe not been clear enough with the children – hopefully I have clarified that today. We will be having the usual pumpkin/carving decorating competition (I will get tea lights for inside the pumpkins) and there will be a tuck shop, hot dogs and refreshments for adults. This is always a really fun party, so please come and support it. Children to come in whatever fancy dress they like – but please no really scary ones! If you have already thought of a costume ... then great, but equally just come as your favourite Disney princess or anything else they have to dress up in. The last thing we want is for this to be one more thing for parents to get sorted!

Parent's evening

If you missed parents evening for any reason, and would like to make an appointment to speak to your child's teachers, please make an appointment through Wendy in the office.

Contacting your child's teacher

Teachers are always willing to speak to parents about any issue – please just let Wendy know if you would like an appointment at any time. Some parents have also told me that they sometimes just like to let the teacher know something, don't need an appointment and would like to do this by email. Some parents already do this. The teacher's emails are kim.curwen@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk, kim.law@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk, fiona.massey@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk, ann.morris@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk, liane.okane@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk and mine is head@lindale.cumbria.sch.uk. Teachers are obviously busy and will ensure that emails are acknowledged as soon as possible, which may be in their weekly planning time. Anything urgent, please call or come in.

Trainee teachers in school

Part of the role of good and outstanding schools is to train new teachers. We have 2 trainee teachers in school this term; Miss Bailey in KS2 and Mr Knowles in KS1. Until now, they have been observing lessons and teaching small groups. Over the next few weeks, they will be teaching some class lessons. The content and delivery is closely overseen by the class teachers who remain responsible for your children's learning.

Operation Christmas Child

We already have some completed shoe boxes appearing in the entrance hall. There are also spare boxes there if you would still like to take one. These should be brought to school by next Monday 6th November.

After School Fun Club and homework

We are sending a separate letter to children who regularly attend After school fun Club to let parents know that as part of Fun Club, children will be able to complete homework, have access to the computers for Mathematics and use the library. If you would like a copy of this letter, please ask Wendy.

Our new App

Wendy tells me that the App is now working. If you would like another copy of the letter about the App, please ask Wendy.

Pupil Parliament

Congratulations to our Year 6 pupils who represented our school so well at the recent South Lakes Pupil Parliament event. They took part in a debate chaired by John Bercow, leader of the House of Commons and then took part in a question and answer session with him.



Lunchtime supervisor

We are still in need of someone to work for one hour on Tuesday lunchtimes. This involves supervising the children whilst they eat lunch in the hall and then outside for half an hour with other staff. Please let us know if you would like to know further details.

Open afternoons

We are having open afternoons, particularly for parents looking for a school for their child going into Reception or Nursery next September. These are Monday 6th, Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th November. We will be advertising on our Facebook page soon but please let anyone you know with a little one know about it. Parents can bring their children and spend the afternoon in our Early Years class.

Please see the website calendar and App for dates. Keep checking this term.....there is lots on!

Best wishes

Sarah Coleman