

# **NEWSLETTER**



### Last few weeks

We have all had a really enjoyable time in school over the past couple of weeks. The children were quite amazing in the Leavers' concert last week with beautiful singing from everyone. We were especially proud of all our wonderful Year 6 who all spoke about their time at Selside School and their future ambitions. Thank you to Lenore Knowles for

presenting the prizes and to the School Association for delicious refreshments once again. Congratulations as well to all our Year 6 who achieved some excellent SATS results. We are really impressed with ALL of you for EVERYTHING that you have achieved at Selside School.

# **County Show**

We have booked to take the whole school to the Westmorland County show on 13<sup>th</sup> September. We will be sending out letters about this after the holidays. If you prefer to take your child yourself, that is also fine. We will probably be asking for volunteers to help.

# **Kendal Torchlight Procession**

Please look out for fliers in book bags tomorrow and save the date for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> September. We will be joining in our community float and promoting our school.

# **Pre-School Nursery**

You will have seen that we are taking children from 3 years old in September. Mrs Lowther our new teacher is very experienced in planning for this age group and as well as Mrs Voke, we will have a new member of staff so that there is always a qualified Senior Teaching Assistant as well as a teacher working with our Pre-school children. We intend to be very flexible to meet parent's needs so can offer sessions with wrap-around care between 8.15am and 5.30pm.

## **Breakfast and After School Club**

Breakfast club will continue from 8.15am. After School club will be extending hours to 5.30pm if there is a need for this from Parents. Please let Anna know. There will be a small extra charge for the additional 30 minutes.











#### **School lunches**

From September, we will be able to provide hot lunches to all year groups. Zoe will email you further details about costs and payment system over the holidays.

#### School uniform and school shoes

Since it is that time of year when parents are replacing uniform, we thought we would remind you that it is blue or white shirt or polo shirt and grey or black trousers. School jumpers can be bought from <a href="www.oneidentity.co.uk">www.oneidentity.co.uk</a>. Please order online and it can be collected from school in September. Previously children have been changing out of school shoes into black plimsolls indoors. Teachers have been discussing this and would prefer it if children had a pair of black school shoes for indoors. This means that class 1 can access the outdoor area even if the ground is slightly wet and older ones can do outdoor learning on the playground without changing shoes every time. We would like them to have a pair of wellies, trainers or something that can get wet or muddy for playing out when it is wet at playtimes and for going on the field. PE kit remains the same; black shorts, white top and trainers.

#### Website

We are in the process of updating the website! Hopefully ready to go live early next term.

## Planning for next term

Teachers met for a planning day on Tuesday. We are going to start the year finding out more about our school and its community. We would love it if any parents, grandparents or friends of the school could come and tell the children about growing up in this area or could share any skills with the children. This topic will include working with Tony Cousins a local historian on the people of Selside, Skelsmergh and Longsleddale, end of World War 1 commemorations.

### Finally....

I would like to thank all of you for your support of me as Executive Headteacher and your support for all the staff this year. We are really sorry to be saying goodbye to Miss Birbeck and Mrs McCormick and know that they will be fantastic in their new posts. We are also sorry to be saying goodbye to our Year 6 and other families who are moving on to new places. I know how hard the decision has been to move and genuinely wish you well. Thank you all for your support for the school often over many years. The staff are really excited about the future of Selside School now... we have our first Nursey children starting in September and are going to be actively recruiting in all year groups. Please let everyone know! As we have found out over the past couple of years, what parents say about a school counts for more than anything.

Best wishes Sarah Coleman and all the staff

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# Dates for your diary and information:

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn Term begins
Friday 7th September	Parent drop in after school to chat to your
	child's new teacher and look at the
	classroom. (please feel free to pop in
	another time if this is not convenient)
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 leadership day
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> September	Swimming session 1
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Whole school trip to County Show
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> September	Kendal Torchlight Procession
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	School Association Meeting 7.30pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Full Governors meeting
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	Whole school circus skills workshop
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting for all parents 7.30pm
	'Selside School going forward' Picking up
	on the vision work from last year and
	moving it on.
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Break up for half term







