



'We lift our eyes to the hills'

November Newsletter 2022



It's great to be back! The nativity script has arrived, the Christmas fair is in the diary and the Christmas dinner has been booked! Please see all the dates below. It's very exciting!

In the holidays, we received an email from Tim Farron's office to say that **Heidi Knowles** is one of his Christmas card Competition winners. Well done Heidi! Our own Christmas cards have gone to the printers and the order forms will be coming out soon! Christmas will be here before we know it! Just a reminder the, **Shoe Box Appeal** deadline is **Friday the 18th of November**.

Antibullying week- 14th to 18th November



Anti-Bullying Week 2022 is coordinated in England and Wales by the Anti-Bullying Alliance. It will take place from the 14th to 18th of November 2022 and has the theme Reach Out. The week will kick off with Odd Socks Day on **Monday 14th November**, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique!

This fits very well with our **focus on our school value of friendship**. Our school council have set up the rainbow bench. The children have led this project based on an idea in the school suggestions box. The rainbow bench is manned by our older children and is there to help anyone who wants cheering up!



Tepee Tots and Stay and Play

Tepee Tots is running every **Friday from 9.30am until 11.30pm**. If you know any friends or family members who would maybe like to join our sessions, please let them know and ask them to contact school. We are having a *Stay and Play* on **Friday the 9th December** where we invite parents to visit our EYFS classroom and meet our friendly staff.

SSA

Selside School Association meets once a half term. The next meeting is on **15th November at 7.00pm in school**. This is a group of parents who organise events for the children and school community to help raise money to fund school trips, provide curriculum resources and contribute towards other exciting projects. The next event is the **Christmas fair. It is on Saturday the 17th of Decemeber** from 3.00pm to 5.00pm. More details are to follow. The SSA is also signed up to **AmazonSmile**. Please see the details below.

What is AmazonSmile?

*AmazonSmile is a simple way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no cost to you. AmazonSmile is available at smile.amazon.com on your web browser and can be activated in the Amazon Shopping app for iOS and Android phones. When you shop with AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added benefit that AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. You can choose from over one million organizations to support. **Selside School Association** is on the list.*

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Safeguarding

Safeguarding and child protection is at the heart of everything we do at Selside School. The Designated Safeguarding Lead in our school is **June Lowther** and the Deputy Safeguarding Lead is **Laura Corbett**. The governor with responsibility for safeguarding in our school is **Densie Clarke**. Our door is always open if you want to have a chat or if you have any concerns.

The internet has now become a part of our everyday lives, from phones to computers and gaming, and at younger ages as this technology develops it is very important that if we allow our children to use the internet we also take measures to keep them safe whilst doing so. Staff have recently had training online safety training which looked at some of the resources from the NSPCC from their Share Aware campaign. It's quite scary how easy and quickly it can go wrong!

<https://youtu.be/z1n9Jly3CQ8>

www.youtube.com/watch?v=DY-D_tebNXs

[NSPCC: Share Aware - YouTube](#)

Water bottle and Snacks

Children need to bring in a water bottle to be put on the side, so the children can have a drink throughout the day. These can be taken home daily or left for the week. They all will be sent home on a Friday.

The Explorers and Discoverers are encouraged to bring in a healthy snack for the morning (no sweets or chocolates please as at the moment there are quite a few unhealthy snacks coming into school). The Adventurers receive free fruit and milk.

Communication

We love to hear from you but please note that the office is not always staffed. Please leave a message on the answer machine or send an email. Messages and emails are checked at lunchtimes and at 3.00pm. Please make sure that any changes for the end of the school day are communicated, **preferably before 12.00pm**.

Best wishes

June Lowther and the Selside Team

Dates for the diary

Monday 7th Nov – Pedal & Scoot (Adventurers)

Friday 11th Nov – Pedal & Scoot (Adventurers)

Monday 14th Nov – Odd Sock Day (whole school)

Wednesday 16th Nov – Rec & Y6 School Health in for Height & Weights

Friday 18th Nov – Boxes of hope deadline

Friday 18th Nov – Discoverers @ Mountain film festival

Friday 25th Nov – South Lakes Orienteering @ Windermere school (small mix of Discoverers)

Friday 25th Nov – Pupil Parliament

Monday 28th Nov – Beauty & the Beast @ the Box (whole school)

Tuesday 29th Nov to Friday 2nd Dec – Years 5 & 6 Cyclewise

Friday 2nd Dec – Christmas Extravaganza (Explorers & Discoverers)

Thursday 8th Dec – Christmas Lunch

Thursday 8th Dec – Explorers & Discoverers singing at Westmorland Homecare (PM)

Friday 9th Dec – Stay & Play in Adventurers

Tuesday 13th Dec – Nativity Dress rehearsal

Thursday 15th Dec – Nativity Show Day (1.30pm and 18.00pm)

Friday 16th Dec – Christmas Party Day

Saturday 17th Dec – Christmas Fair

Tuesday 20th Dec – School Closes for Christmas 1.30pm

Wednesday 4th Jan – Back of School

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