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A message from the Headteacher

We are so proud of your children and the way they have settled to their learning – they are a credit to all of you! On class dojo you will get class updates about your child's learning across the subjects each week so you can ask your children about their learning and share in their education.

We are now approaching the darker mornings and evenings so please ensure your children are careful on the way to and from school. If they are on bikes, please ensure there are reflectors or lights so they are visible and safe. There are new bike racks in the shelter at the front and side of school so children can store their bikes/scooters safely. We do not accept responsibility for these items although they are covered by the outside security cameras.

Missed school days are a concern at the moment. Please support good attendance and encourage your children into school – we will always keep an eye out if they say they are unwell and contact you if necessary.

A reminder that you can pop in and meet the teacher next Monday 3rd October between 3-4.15pm just to see the start your children have made in the classroom and to ask any questions about their learning or the curriculum. This is an informal event if you need it (don't feel you have to come if your questions are answered already) and a more formal parent/child progress appointment will be offered the week beginning 7th November. We will be offering appointments across the week face-to-face and via teams to ensure you are able to attend and see your child's progress.

News from the Office

The office is working on moving to being paperless as much as possible. Holiday forms and trip letters will be able to be returned electronically to save printing and paper and reduce costs. A lot of information is already e-mailed or texted out – please ensure the office has changes of details so we can ensure you are kept up-to-date.

WATCH THIS SPACE!

School Terms and Holiday Dates 2022 -2023

As always, please avoid booking holidays in term-time. They can only be authorised if they are 'exceptional' circumstances. I have limited capacity to authorise holidays. Our registers are externally checked and there are strict guidelines in place.

Autumn Term

Half Term: Monday 24 October – Friday 28 October

Term starts: Tuesday 1 November **Term ends:** Friday 16 December

Spring Term 2023

Term starts: Wednesday 4 January

Half Term: Monday 20 February - Friday 24 February

Term starts: Tuesday 28 February **Term ends:** Friday 31 March

Easter Holiday: Monday 3 April – Friday 14 April

Summer Term 2023

Term starts: Monday 17th April **May Day:** Monday 1 May

Half Term: Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June

Term starts: Tuesday 6th June **Term ends:** Friday 21st July

Dates for your Diary

October 2022

3rd October Meet the Teacher in the classroom 3- 4.15pm 4th October Cross Country Fixture @ Baldwins Gate

10th October Year 6 trip to Apedale

11th October Cross Country Fixture @ St Lukes

12th October Year 5 trip to Apedale

18th October Cross Country Fixture @ Venue TBC

31st October School closed to children – staff training day

November 2022

7th November Parent/Child Progress Appointments across the week

10th November Year 3 Maritime Museum (provisional date)

11th November Hoglets in school – live animal workshop – all classes

22nd November Sports Hall Athletics @ Newcastle Academy (selected children)

23rd November. Year 4 Bikeability

23rd November Year 5 trip to RAF Cosford 1st December. Year 4 Chester Roman Trip

9th December. Christmas Jumper and Xmas Dinner Day all classes (£1 donation Alice

Charity)

13th December Key Stage One Christmas Performance 9am and 3.15pm

14th December. EYFS Christmas Performance 9am

15th December. Christmas Film Rewards in Classroom – during school day

16th December. Last day of term



Alice Charity

Our chosen charity to support this year is Alice Charity. There is a large donation bottle in the entrance hall to drop small change in and we will also donate through Christmas Jumper Day. Our aim is to fill the bottle so if you have small change and are passing by, please pop into the bottle in reception.

The charity is local and supports our families on a regular basis. We would like to give something back!