



# Wigton Infant School Easter Newsletter



## Website

[www.wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk](http://www.wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk)

(also available as an app – just search for Wigton Infant School via the School Jotter app)

## Note from Mr Norman

Firstly, I would like to wish you all a happy Easter – I hope you manage to have some lovely family time and enjoy some spring weather (although I am not so sure about the forecast!)

I am resisting the temptation to play an April Fool's joke – life is strange enough already and I will need you to believe me when I tell you that the school may have to close for an extended summer holiday for heating system replacement works (it's true honestly!). We will let you know more about the heating works as soon as we find out ourselves, but the current estimate is that it will take at least six weeks.

I hope you manage to get outside lots with your children over the holiday, whatever the weather. There will be lots to notice in nature and if the children get a chance to draw and journal what they see that would be great. I have presented the prizes today for the World Book Day competitions and the Spring Art competition. Thank you everyone for taking part, and thank you to FOWIS for providing the prizes – there will be answers on the school website for the Masked Reader competition and there will also be links to the videos if you want to watch again (I think the sheep reading Katie Morag is by far the best one!)

As in previous holidays can you please let me know if your child develops symptoms of Covid within 48 hours of being in school (up to Saturday night) and then tests positive. This is so that I can inform any school-based contacts who need to isolate. I know this term has been very challenging as we have tried to keep everyone safe and reduce the spread of infection, but I think as a school community we have worked hard at this and been lucky not to have needed to close any bubbles. Well done everyone – I definitely feel like the end is in sight. (If you need to contact me please use my email: [head@wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:head@wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk))

## ParentMail

As you know from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April we will be using Parent Mail instead of School Jotter. By now you should have all received a registration link directly from ParentMail. We know that that 83% of parents have successfully signed up. We would like you all to have completed this process before we return to school.

Yesterday we sent out a test email to you all. If you are experiencing any issues please e-mail [admin@wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@wigtoninf.cumbria.sch.uk)

**You must make sure that your contact details are kept up to date with us at all times.**

## Communication

Please remember to contact the school office with messages regarding absence, medical appointments or to tell us who is collecting your child from school rather than using Tapestry/ClassDojo.



**School Meals**

As of the 1st April we will no longer be using Orian catering Services therefore the Lunchshop ordering system will no longer be in use. Weekly menus can be found on our School website and your child will order their dinner with their teacher in class each morning. As a temporary measure payment will need to be made directly to us for Nursery dinners. Please ensure the correct monies are placed in a sealed, named envelope and placed in the parents drop off box which is fixed to the railings in the car park. Further details regarding ordering and payments will be communicated in due course.

**Cool Milk**

If your child is over 5 years old and their class teacher has sent you a message to inform you that they are not drinking their milk can you please log into your Cool Milk account to cancel their order. Changes to your account need to be made by Tuesday at 5pm to take effect the following week. If you have any queries about school milk please contact them directly on 08003213248.

**Spare Clothes**

If your child needs changed at school and comes home in spare clothes **it is important that you wash and return these as soon as possible to your child's class teacher** as we have a limited supply. If your child is prone to accidents it would be helpful to have a spare change of clothes in their school bag. Please also remember to name all items of your child's school uniform, including PE kits. This will make returning items much easier.

**Reception Hearing Tests**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April the audiology nurse will be in school to carry out Reception's hearing tests.

**Healthy snacks/water bottles**

We provide all children with a piece of fruit daily as part of the National Fruit Scheme. We receive a different range of fruit depending on the time of year. If your child has a limited preference to fruit could you please send some in for your child as they often get hungry in the mornings. Can you please ensure that the children's water bottles are only filled with water.

**End of Term**

In line with the early finish times at Thomlinson Junior School we will also be finishing early on **Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> April**. Please note that there will be no After School Club on this day. Our staggered finish times are:

- School transport- 1.45pm**
- Whitebeam-1.30pm**
- Mrs Taylor- 1.30pm**
- Mrs Cartwright-1.30pm**
- Miss Parry-1.40pm**
- Miss Hamblet-1.40pm**
- Miss McGowan-1.40pm**
- Nursery-1.40pm**
- Miss Westgarth-1.50pm**

**Dates to remember**

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April- Return to school**
- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Reception hearing tests**

