



Newsletter No.44: 8th September 2017

Dear Parents and Friends

Welcome to the start of the school year to all of you, whether you are new to the school, or have been here many years! It promises to be another exciting year at Ennerdale Primary with lots of things already organised and many more in the pipeline.

Staffing changes

Mrs Chamberlain is back with us now much to everyone's delight so we are back to normal. For those of you who don't already know Mrs Rutherford gave birth to baby Max just before we broke up. Mother and baby are both doing well and have promised to drop in and see us all soon. Mr Whelan had started with us just before the summer holiday running our after school club. Sadly he is no longer able to continue with this role but I am delighted to announce Mrs Sarah Lopez who many of you will know from Lamplugh School has agreed to take over running the club, which is fantastic news. She already has lots of plans and activities ready to go and has started to get me organised – no mean feat!

Rivers extravaganza



Class two's topic this term is rivers and on October 19th we will spend a day with the Rivers Trust exploring the River Liza both in it and next to it. We will then spend a night at Low Gillerthwaite Field Studies centre where we can hopefully explore the dark skies before a night sleeping in their accommodation. We then plan on making our way back to school after breakfast, not by road but by Lake in canoes, before walking the last mile. More details will follow in a couple of weeks but this should be a very exciting way to find out about rivers and lakes.

Music

Just a quick reminder about music. Mrs Bailey will be in once again every Friday afternoon to do whole class instrument tuition with KS2. All children will have their own instrument which they will bring home on Friday to practice for the following week.

Forest Schools and swimming

We will be continuing with Forest Schools and swimming this term starting next week. KS1 will spend the next 7 weeks in the Forest every Thursday afternoon under the leadership of Sarah Medcalf exploring the habitat, building dens, fashioning pieces of art out of natural materials and using the outdoors as a stimulus for creative writing and storytelling. KS2 will then get a chance later in the term for a few weeks. Meanwhile, every Wednesday afternoon for this term KS2 will be swimming. For forest schools wellies and warm clothes are required – the school has a full set of waterproofs and for swimming a towel and costume.



Parents Information Evenings

On Wed 20th Sept there will be an information evening for Class One parents and on Wed 27th Sept one for KS2 parents. The idea behind these are to give you an overview of how the curriculum is taught in school and what you can do at home to help. If you can make it, it will lovely to see you. Further details of times will be sent out later.

REACT Foundation Science Show

On Tuesday 26th September Year 5 and 6 are heading off to The Lakes College to see a Science Museum production all about blood, guts and slime, it sounds disgusting, actually having seen it before, it is disgusting – the children love it!! This will be in school time and the children will be transported there and back.

Well that's all for now, one week gone which means only a few more until..... well, you know what! Have a great weekend.

Best wishes

David Moore

