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Class 1 Muncaster Castle

What a beautiful day for Class 1's trip to Muncaster Castle on Thursday! They had a wonderful time on their fairy trail, creating an autumn rainbow from leaves before exploring the castle and having fun on the play park. A big thank you to Miss Ward who organised such a lovely trip.



Class 2 Bright Stars

Class 2 are extremely excited about their Bright Stars fundraiser for school and have come up with lots of ideas! They took these ideas further on Thursday with our Bright Stars representative and began planning their fundraiser.



Class 3 Shakespeare Performance at The Theatre by the Lake, Keswick

Class 3 you were amazing on Wednesday night and, I am sure everyone will agree that, you made us all incredibly proud! All the hard work and effort you have put into producing an outstanding performance has well and truly paid off! Also a huge thank you to the staff that put so much time and effort themselves into helping make this performance as fantastic as it was on Wednesday! Well done!



New Procedures

This week you received a letter about some new procedures for the beginning and end of the school day. Please remember that the back doors will open at 8:40am for child and then be locked at 8:50am (the start of our school day). After this time, children will need to enter school through the school office. As stated in the letter, your child's safety is of paramount importance to us and we intend these changes to support this. Thank you for your cooperation.

PTA Annual Prize Bingo

On Friday 23rd November we are having a non-uniform day where a donation can be made towards putting together the hampers for the PTA Annual Prize Bingo. Each year everyone is always so generous on donating items and we once again need your help! These items can be anything from biscuits to wrapping paper or just anything that's generally Christmassy! Thank you!

Bag2School

This week your child was sent home with a Bag2School. Bag2School is a partnership that specialises in free fundraising for schools. All you need to do is fill your Bag2School with anything from second-hand clothing to soft toys (a list of what is accepted is on your Bag2School) and then bring this into school by Thursday 29th November. Thank you!

Shoebox Appeal

A huge thank you to those who brought in shoeboxes for our Shoebox Appeal; you have helped many children suffering in poverty!

Facebook Consent

If you haven't done so already, please could you send in the slip indicating whether you give consent to photos of your child being put on Facebook. If you need another form, please contact school and we will send another form home with your child. Thank you!

Parental Contributions

We have some exciting trips coming up before Christmas that the children are really looking forward to. For these trips to happen, we ask for a small parental contribution that goes towards the cost of the trip. It would be very much appreciated, if you haven't done so already and are happy to support these trips, that you send your child in with a contribution towards these. Thank you!

Parental Questionnaires

A quick reminder about parental questionnaires - please complete these and send them into school with your child. It really helps give us an idea on your thoughts about us as a school. Thank you!

Parent Survey

In January 2018, the 'Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools' (SIAMS) qualified Wabberthwaite C of E School as 'Good'. The purpose of the SIAMS inspection is to judge the school's effectiveness as a Church of England school. The inspector visits a range of lessons (certainly not just R.E.) plus events such as Collective Worship, and generally forms a judgement on life at the school, particularly regarding the extent to which our Christian ethos translates into actual practice on an everyday basis. One of the areas where we needed to improve was around involving the whole school family in the regular cycle of self-evaluation so that all views can influence and support the development of the school's Christian character.

We would really appreciate 5 minutes of your time to complete a very brief survey on your thoughts around our Christian character. The survey is anonymous and we'll look to share the output once we've understood collective views. The survey can be accessed with the following link

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SYNPZRC> or by using the following QR code if your smartphone or tablet has a QR reader.



Class 1 Temporary Teaching Position

At the beginning of the week, we advertised the temporary teaching position to cover Miss Sharp's maternity in class 1. It has been advertised on the Cumbria County Council website, which can be accessed through <https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/jobsandcareers/schoolsearch.asp>, and job applications can be requested from the school office. If you know anyone who would be interested in this, please pass this information on to them. Thank you!

Applying for a place in Reception

School admissions are now open for parents of children expecting to enter Reception in September 2019 to apply for a school place. Leaflets explaining what to do are available from the school office, or www.cumbria.gov.uk/schooladmissions. The closing date for applications is **15th January 2019**.

Achievements

Well done to the winners of both the 'burgundy jumper' and 'good to be green' this week. These are:

Class 1 - William and Olivia

Class 2 - Kyle and Sam

Class 3 - Libby and Rory

School dates for your diary

21st November - Class 2 Beacon trip

23rd November - Non-uniform for the hampers at the PTA Annual Prize Bingo

27th November - Whole school to Keswick Theatre to see Beauty and the Beast (no nursery today)

28th November - Years 3-6 First Aid with Little Lifers

29th November - Class 1 Santa Express trip

30th November - Bag2School collection before 9am

- Individual and family photographs at 9am (all nursery children welcome)

- Christingle at Muncaster Church at 1:30pm

3rd December - Christmas Fair 1:30pm in the school hall

5th December - Year 5&6 Football at St. Bega's School

- PTA Annual Prize Bingo at 6:30pm

6th December - Film Club

11th December - Whole school at the Beggar's Theatre for Christmas play rehearsal

13th December - Christmas Play at the Beggar's Theatre, Millom, 6pm

17th December - Class 3 last swimming session

- Christmas Dinner

20th December - Christmas Celebration 1:30pm

21st December - Finish for the Christmas holidays at 1:30pm

Kind regards,

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