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Dear Parents and Friends,

Well that's one twelfth of the year gone already (we love fractions in Ennerdale!) and it seems like we've only just got back.

June

As you will all be aware June will be retiring next week and we plan to hold a leaving party on Tuesday at 2.00pm. To help the party spirit we would be very grateful for any donations of cakes (it's what Junes really going to miss!!) We also look forward to seeing you all, to say goodbye and thank you.

Scooters in the playground

On Thursday, we held a meeting to discuss the use of the playground after school. This was a very fruitful discussion and the comments and ideas that it generated will now be taken to the governing body to decide on the way forward. One thing that did come up as part of the discussion though, which parents have asked us to deal with, is the use of scooters on the playground. Some parents when picking their children up after school are bringing scooters with them for the children to ride home. This obviously is the parents' choice and responsibility but can we please ask for scooters to be left at the gate and not used in the playground after school. There have already been a couple of near accidents and parents are concerned for their children's safety, as are we. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Bikeability

Which moves me on neatly to Bikeability and safe cycling! This will be taking place next week for Years 5 and 6 and is a scheme to promote and teach the safe use of bikes on the road. All forms have gone out and come back but a quick reminder; your child needs a helmet, a bike that is both the correct size and in good mechanical working order. As the

course takes place over 4 days we are more than happy for children to leave their bikes at school and we will ensure they are stored overnight in the locked, "cage" by the front door.

Miss Dorney

From next Monday, for the next 6 weeks, we welcome Miss Dorney, who is a trainee teacher from the University of Cumbria, to school. She will be working in Class 2 and we look forward the ideas and fun activities she will no doubt be bringing with her.

Water Workshop

Class 2 will be taking part in a water workshop just before half term where they learn about the importance of water in our lives and what we can do to save it.

Climbing and Yoga

After half term, we start a new round of PE events for the juniors. Year 5 and 6 will be spending Thursday afternoons for 5 weeks at Keswick's, King Kong climbing wall, where they will learn some of the basics of climbing including skills such as tying in, safe belaying and how to climb in a controlled but dynamic way. They will work towards their NICAS (National Indoor Climbing Achievement Scheme) qualification. Meanwhile Year 3 and 4 will be doing yoga getting their bodies fit and supple ready for climbing when they reach Years 5 and 6.

SAT's Club

Starting next Wednesday after school will be our Year 6 SAT's club where we revise all the things children need to know to do their best in their SAT's in May. The club runs from 3.30 to 4.30.

That's all for now have a great weekend.

Best wishes

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