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## Autumn Term Newsletter 08 - 11/11/2020

Dear Parents and Carers

This week we have welcomed Year 1 and staff back to school after their period of self-isolation. We are glad to have them back. A small number of other others have had to self-isolate but we are pleased to say that there have been no more confirmed cases in our school community. We hope everyone continues to stay safe and well.

### Reports

This Friday all children will bring home a short progress report. This is in place of parent teacher meetings that we usually hold around this time of year. Unfortunately, we cannot invite parents in to school but if you have any issues or questions that you would like to discuss with class teachers, please contact school and make a telephone appointment.

The report will indicate whether you child is working at the expected standard for their age in reading, writing and mathematics. There is a higher percentage of children working towards the expected standard rather than at the expected standard across school at the moment. This is due to the time children had away from school due to lockdown. We are all working hard to close the gaps and support is being given to those children who most need it. We continue to appreciate the support from home and this is more valuable than ever where children have fallen behind.

### Children in Need - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020

This week is Fun Friday/Fundraising Friday (that has been added for those of you who wish to contribute to Children in Need). Children can come in non- uniform for a donation of £1 that can be paid via Parent Pay - see link below.

Don't forget to bring a joke!



<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=1691>

## **Christmas Cards - Friends of Pennington**

The children are busy this week with their Christmas card designs. On Friday they will bring home their designs and an order form. This year you will be able to order cards, mugs, coasters, wrapping paper/gift tags, thank you cards and even cushions. You will have received an email to pay for your items through Parentpay as we are unable to accept cheques and cash.

Orders **MUST** be brought back to school on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November in order for us to send back to the company. Your goods will be sent to school for distribution towards the end of the week commencing Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

This is a good fundraiser for school and we hope you will support us. Thank you from the Friends

## **Individual School Photographs**

Simon, our photographer will be visiting school Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, to take photographs of the children. Due to current distancing rules, we are only able to have individual photos taken. Proofs will be sent home the following week, together with instructions on how to purchase on line.

## **Children of Hope**

Several years ago, John Bunjo, CEO of CRMI, had the vision to build a good school for orphaned and needy children in Uganda. In 2015 the first phase of the school in Bombo was opened with 80 pupils. The school has grown year upon year, providing education for more children and employing many staff. Their second school in Nakaseke started in makeshift classrooms in 2017 and now has a beautiful new building. The child sponsorship programme covers the cost of staff and food, but there are many other costs in running the school - from books to cleaning materials for maintenance. We continue to sponsor a child called Arnold and his family by sending a percentage of money that we raise at Pennington to the Children of Hope charity. We receive updates which we share with our children and you may like to find out more on the website ([link](#)). It is important for the children of Pennington to develop an understanding of what it means to be a global citizen and to learn about life in other parts of the world. Together we can do great things!



## Home Learning

If there is a confirmed case of Covid 19 in any class, the children and staff from that class will have to self-isolate for 14 days. During this time, the class teacher, supported by teaching assistants will send home learning via Dojo or Tapestry. This system worked extremely well during the first lockdown and many of you thanked teachers for their support and creativity. We appreciate that it is not easy for parents to teach their own children at home, especially if they are trying to work from home at the same time. Teachers will try to support in whatever way they can so please get in touch, if you need any further advice/ support. Teachers will provide regular feedback to children which many of you commented was personal and supportive.

We will send no more than 3 hours of work a day. This will consist of an English, Maths and another task/activity related to the curriculum.

There may be a situation where an individual or small number of children are self-isolating from one or more of our classes. In this instance, teachers will send home learning for those individuals on a daily/weekly basis. Please be aware that this may be sent after school as teachers will also be teaching the rest of their classes in school. Feedback for home learners will be less frequent.

## Morale/Wellbeing

We are aware of the impact these unusual times are having on many of our school community. It is difficult but essential that we remain hopeful and optimistic about the future. In school we have been discussing ways that we can add fun and variety to our days, particularly now as there will be no or very little socialising out of school for the adults and children. We have decided to plan Fabulous Fridays until the end of this term. These days will be themed and teachers will plan activities around that theme for part of the day. They will start this week with a simple idea:

Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Fruity Friday	All children in school will be provided with a free piece of fruit
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	Fun Friday	All children to come to school with a joke to share with their class. These will be recorded and sent to other classes too
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	French Friday	All classes will be provided with a French breakfast snack and learn some French phrases
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Factual Friday	A day of non-fiction. Children should come with a fantastic fact. These will be shared to surprise their friends
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Festive Friday	Christmas Craft Day. Children will make decorations for their classes (non-uniform - wear clothes that you don't mind getting crafty)
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Festival Friday	National Christmas Jumper Day. (please join in and wear something Christmassy). We will hold our annual Choral speaking Festival with a Christmas twist. It will be recorded so classes can watch each other on their classroom screens
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Father Christmas Friday	Hopefully the man himself may call and visit!

## After School Clubs

This terms Sport with Tom will be for Year 3 and Year 4. An email has been sent out to the whole of both year groups to enable parents to give permission and pay by Parentpay.



### After School Clubs - Autumn 2 2020

Day	Activity	Leader	Where?	Time
Tuesday	Year 3 Sports with Tom - <u>£14.00</u>	Tom	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.00-4.00pm
Wednesday	Year 4 Sports with Tom - <u>£14.00</u>	Tom	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.00-4.00pm

**After School Club Attendance** - To enable that we know your child is safe, please can you let school know if your child is not going to be able to attend their after-school club. Thank you.

## **NASAL FLU CATCH UP CLINIC DATES**

**If your child did not receive the nasal flu vaccine in school and is school age, Reception to Year 7, you are welcome to attend.**

Catch up clinics dates for Nasal Flu are detailed below, no appointment needed:

### **~ BARROW ~ KENDAL ~ ULVERSTON**

**Venue: BARROW-** 102 Dalton Lane, Barrow (bottom car park of FGH, next to Dane Garth)

- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am-1pm
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 10am-1pm
- Monday 14 December 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm-6:30pm

**Venue: KENDAL-** Black Hall Unit Westmorland General Hospital (PHYSIO ENTRANCE)

- Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am-1pm
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 10am-1pm
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm-6:30pm

**Venue: ULVERSTON-** Ulverston Health Centre, Stanley Street, Ulverston

- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm-6:30pm
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm-6:30pm

**Please note if you are unable to attend the clinics please call 01229 409603 and we will try to help.**

Child Health, School Aged Immunisations Team  
Lead Immunisation Nurse - Kirsty Wilson 01539 715277  
Immunisation Nurses 01539 718013 – Admin enquiries 01229 409603/409608  
[ncm-tr.southschoolageimmunisations@nhs.net](mailto:ncm-tr.southschoolageimmunisations@nhs.net)





# SOUTH LAKES E-School Nurse Video Clinics

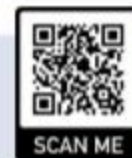
Weekly **online health support and advice** for parents, carers and professionals, **supporting children and young people aged 5-19** years old.

## Monday afternoons, all day Tuesday and Thursday

You will be able to talk to the nurse over a live video link using [Attend Anywhere](#), that is private, secure, confidential and convenient for you. In consultation with you, the nurse will assess the child or young person's health problem and provide you with the support and advice needed.

For more information on the **E-School Nurse video clinic** Please read the information leaflet or visit:

[www.cumbria.gov.uk/ph5to19](http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/ph5to19)



You can telephone for an appointment

**0300 30 34 365**

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