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Spring Term Newsletter 04 – 31/01/2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Special Mention

Congratulations to our children whose special achievements were celebrated with our Special Mention Certificates in our Collective Worship on Friday.



New Building

The school are pleased to confirm that we have now submitted a planning application for a new building to replace the current reception classroom and enhance the external areas around this area and the adjacent Year 1 classroom. Cumbria County Council have made available the required funding to support this investment in Pennington which will enable us to provide a new purpose built classroom as well as enhancements to the outdoor play area adjacent to the building. We have sent the designs out to tender and expect to finalise the vendor in March, to enable the new classroom to be in place ready for the start of the 2018/19 school year. This is a very exciting development for us all and we are very grateful for the local council support in ring-fencing these funds at a difficult time for school budgets across the county. The staff and governors are currently in discussion as to which year group can best utilise the new building. Originally, the Reception class were due to have the new building however there are other possible options that we are currently exploring. We would ask for your support with this application when it is available for public feedback.

After School Club - Friday Gymnastics

Friday after school gymnastics club is cancelled Friday 2nd and Friday 9th February. Children selected to represent Pennington C of E School in the local schools gymnastics competitions, have received letters from Mrs Dearden and they will practice for the next 2 weeks. Further details of after school gymnastics club will be included on the newsletter after half-term.

John Ruskin School

- Year 5 Taster Days - Children are invited to attend 3 taster days during the summer term.
- Year 6 Induction Days - 2 induction days for any Year 6 pupils who have chosen to transfer to John Ruskin School for their Secondary Education.

If you require any further information, please call into the office.

National Storytelling Week - 27th January to 3rd February - Shhhhh.....IT'S A SECRET!

Thank you to all those parents/grandparents who have already supported this event. If you feel that you can spare ten minutes this week or next week, to share a story with your child's class, please see your child's teacher.

KS2 STEM Science Club Year 3 to Year 6

There are still a few spaces available in the Science club this term. It will start next Thursday 8th February. If you would like your child to attend, please send a signed permission slip to Mr McQuillan or the school office.

Weather

Please can you ensure that your child brings a coat to school otherwise they will have to stay in at playtime. Can we also remind you, that if school has to be closed for any reason including adverse weather, we will report this on the Twitter feed on our website (www.penn.cumbria.sch.uk). You do not have to be a Twitter follower to access this information as it appears on the homepage.

Dick, Kerr Ladies'

As you know we are practicing and looking forward to our coral speaking/Dick Kerr, Ladies performance at the Coronation Hall on Monday 5th February. **ALL** children will be taking part in the first half of the evening, when each class will be performing a poem they have learnt. Following the interval a group of 30 children will be performing the Dick, Kerr Ladies play, written by a local playwright.

Children who are in the Dick, Kerr Ladies play should arrive at the Coronation Hall at 5.15pm, all other children should arrive at 6.10pm. Doors open for the audience at 6.15pm. The performance will begin at 6.30pm

Entry will be obtained with a programme that can be bought from the school office. They will be sold at the price of £2 on a first come- first served basis. Monies will go to the cost of hiring the hall.

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Dick, Kerr Ladies Play & Whole School Choral Speaking Extravaganza
Request for programmes

Child's name

Class

I would like Programmes @ £2.00 each and enclose a total of £.....

Signedparent/carer

School Disco - **Wednesday 7th February 2018**

There has been a change of date for the School Disco - sorry for any inconvenience. All of the children are invited to the end of half term School Disco - the Infant (Years R, 1 and 2) Disco will start at 5:00pm until 6:00pm and the Juniors (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) will be from 6:15pm to 7:30pm. Tickets costing £2.50 are available from the School Office and the Friends of Pennington Team. There will be Hot Dogs, Drinks, Crisps, Sweets, Tattoos and Lucky Dip.

Bag 2 School - It's that time of year when we are all thinking about having a good rummage through wardrobes, and sorting through old clothes etc. Bag2School will be collecting from our school on Tuesday 27th **February**. So please bring your bag (or bags!) to school, either on Monday 26th or Tuesday 27th February before 9am, and help us have a really good collection. A quick reminder of what you can include in your bags :

- Adults and children's clothes
- Shoes (tied together please)-please give generously as these weigh heavy!
- Hats
- Belts
- Bags
- Soft toys

They do not want Bedding, Curtains, Towels, Household Linen or Bric-a-brac

Bags have been sent out but we do have a few spares in the office if you need an extra one. We will receive £500 per tonne or £0.50/kg, which will be a great boost for our fundraising. In addition it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse. Don't forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well!

After school activities - Please can a permission slip be returned to school to your child's teacher for **all clubs each half term**. More of these can be obtained from the entrance hall. Thank you to staff for giving their time freely to offer these opportunities.

We aim to offer a range of lunchtime and after school activities throughout the year. The timetable for this next half term is displayed below. **There will be a charge of £10 per half term for any clubs marked in red as there is a cost to the school to run these clubs.** We still consider this to be good value. Money should be put in an envelope with your child's name and the club they will be attending marked clearly and given to their class teacher.



Dinnertime/After-School Activities Spring 2018

Day	Activity	Leader	Where?	Time
Monday	Year 1 and 2 Water Colour Painting (limit 12 children)	Mrs Barton	Year 4 Classroom	3.00-4.00pm
	Year 4, 5 and 6 Gymnastics Club	Mrs Stephenson	School Hall	3.00-4.00pm
Tuesday	Chess Club	Miss Preston	Year 5 Classroom	12.30-1.00pm
	Year 3- 6 Dodgeball	Tom	Hall	3.00-4.00pm
Wednesday	Year 1 and 2 Multi-Sports	Tom	Hall	3.00-4.00pm
	Young Voices Choir	Mrs Solloway	Year 1 Classroom	3.00-4.00pm
Thursday	Rehearsals for Dick, Kerr Ladies Play (until 1 st February 2018)	Miss Kenny/Miss Exley	Hall	3.00-4.00pm
	Science STEM Club (From 8 th February 2018)	Mr McQuillan	Year 6 Classroom	3.00-4.15pm
Friday	Time to Talk Year 3 and 4	Mrs Wright	Year 2 Classroom	12.00-12.30pm
	Year 1 and 2 Gymnastics Club	Mrs Deardon Mrs Storey	Hall	3.00-4.00pm

PENNINGTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL - After School Club consent form

Child's name

Class

I give permission for my child to attendclub held on a
(and enclose £10 for Dodgeball/Multi-Skills)

Signed Parent/Carer

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Santa delivered lots of cycles at Christmas, but didn't have time to security mark them all, if you would like yours marked come along and see your local Policing team.

Available as below or contact your local PCSO

Kendal... Westmoreland shopping centre 17th February 1-3pm

Windermere...Booths store 17th February 1-3pm



Ulverston...Coronation Hall 17th February 10am-12 noon

Half Term - Ulverston Tennis Centre

Activity Days

Tues 13th, Wed 14th & Thurs 15th 10-3pm

Ulverston Tennis Centre

Ages 5+

£12 a day

(see reception for discount prices)

Bring lunch, drinks and warm clothing

Football Camp

Monday 12th and Friday 16th 10-3pm

Ulverston Tennis Centre

Ages 5+

£12 a day

(see reception for discount prices)

Bring lunch, drinks and warm clothing

Call 01229 581123