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Summer Term Newsletter 08 - 13/06/2018

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 the last Friday of term.



Cricket

Thank you to all the children who played so well in the Cricket Competition at Furness Cricket Club, sportsmanship and teamwork was fantastic. We beat Penny Bridge to get to the final but unfortunately were beaten by Millom. Well done to all and thank you to parents for helping with transport.

A near miss

A local resident on a bike was left shocked on Monday evening as they were nearly hit by a car on the bridge. Parking on the bridge will cause accidents and affects our relationship with our neighbours. Please park sensibly.

New Classroom

Work on our new classroom will begin on 2nd July. The Reception building will be demolished and a new modular classroom will replace it. Reception Class will register in Year 1 in the mornings for the last 3 weeks of this half term but will also have open access to the learning den at the top of the field; the school hall, library and the outdoors to ensure this has no impact on their learning.

After much thought and discussion, we have decided that Reception will move into the classroom where Year 1 currently learn in September. It is the largest classroom and storage and little toilets have already been built into the room. Reception class have a lot of resources and this big classroom will be perfect for our new Reception class. The outdoor area will be re-landscaped over the summer. This is a big, exciting project and we look forward to seeing the results in September.

Year 1 will move into Year 2, Year 2 into Year 3, Year 3 into Year 4, Year 4 into Year 5 and Year 5 into Year 6. Year 6 will move into the new classroom. We intend this to be a modern 'pod' where our oldest pupils will have some independence but will also have easy access to their buddies next door.

We look forward to these changes but there is a huge amount of work to do in moving everything. There is also some additional work planned on the old building which will affect all of the classrooms.

If you feel you are able to offer any help with moving, painting, gardening, etc. please contact the school office. Thank you.

Opening of the new room at the Memorial Hall

The whole school have been invited to help to celebrate opening the new room on Monday 25th June from 3:30pm. By sing a few songs, including a teaser from our end of year show. There will also be refreshments available. Please can you let us know if your child will be attending by completing the permission slip below and return to your class teacher. **(Please note that Parents and Carers are also welcome to go along and celebrate)**

Opening of the new room at the Memorial Hall

I give permission for my child/ren to take part in the singing at the Memorial Hall.

Name of Child/ren Year Group.....

Signed Parent/Carer

Attendance and Lates

Please can we remind you that we will not be able to authorise absence for holidays. Mrs Storey can only authorise absence in special circumstances. Our whole school attendance has been improving over time and we are very proud that children at Pennington benefit from good attendance and all the learning opportunities that this provides. We do also monitor late attendance. Unfortunately we have a few children who are persistently arriving late at school and this has an impact on their school day. The school gates open at 8:30am and the bell rings at 8:40am. (9:00am Reception Class). Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 6 Class Assembly

This will take place on Friday 15th June at 2:35pm to inform you about our Residential trip to York - all parents and family welcome.

Another Fine Fest - CHANGE OF DATE - Saturday 16th June

We have now managed to secure a Saturday slot which will give us a bigger audience! We will be on the Melodrome Stage (outside the Laurel and Hardy Museum) 12:40 - 1:00 and will be able to meet in the museum at 12.20. - **Please let Mrs Hockaday know if you ARE able to make it** as rehearsals of our own musical 'Space' are underway. All children who attend Pennington are invited to join us to sing the School Song. Please come along and support our school. Thank you.

Dowdales Music Festival

Junior children brought home a letter about taking part in the Dowdales Music Festival on Wednesday 11th July. It promises to be a very rewarding and interesting morning. If you would like your child to attend please return the slip on the bottom of the letter to Mrs Solloway by next Monday (18th June).

After School Clubs

A gentle reminder - can those parents who have not already paid for **Dance, Football, Multisports and Cricket** send £10.00 into school in an envelope with the permission form and given to the class teacher. Thank you.

Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 4 Trip

Please can we remind parents/carers to return the permission slip to the class teacher in a named envelope, together with the payment. Many thanks.

Dates for Your Diary:

St Mary's Gala - Sunday 17th June (Football and Netball Teams)

Ulverston Carnival - Saturday 7th July

Whole School end of Year Evening Concert, Corronation Hall - Wednesday 4th July at 6:30pm

John Ruskin School - Year 5 Taster Day

John Ruskin School is holding a taster day for Year 5s on Thursday 28th June - if anyone is interested in sending their child for the day please come to our school office to collect the information. **Those parents who have expressed an interest, please can you return the forms to school by Monday 18th June.**

Alzheimer's Society

Kim Brown who works at the Coop on Market Street is holding a cake sale on 14th June to raise money for Alzheimer's Society - would any of the children like to bake some cakes? Please pop into the Coop to drop them off on the morning of or the day before. Many thanks.

FRIENDS OF PENNINGTON

Please can Friends of Pennington ask for donations for cakes on sportsday. Friends will also have hot drinks, crisps, and cold drinks available throughout the day with hot dogs at lunch time and ice lollies at the end of sportsday.

Dates for your diary:

Pub Quiz - Thursday 14th June 7pm at The Miners Arms.

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Dear Parents/ Carers

Sports Day

Attached is a Sports Day Program for Wednesday 20th June. Sports Day at Pennington is about involvement with an emphasis on taking part and having fun and it is also about persevering, trying your best and competing. We have tried to include something for everyone with a combination of competitive individual races and fun field events. Throughout the day stickers will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions and also for teamwork and effort. Points will be awarded and there will be a winning family group at the end of the day who will receive a certificate.

We would like a donation of £1 from the children who want to take part in the long distances races. The money will be spent on new playtime equipment for the shed. It will be selected by the school council. We encourage everyone will take part as they will gain a point for their family team and also have the opportunity to win a medal.

Pupils should wear school P.E. kits and trainers. They should bring their own drinks (non-fizzy) and will be able to drink throughout the day between events.

Mums and dads, grandmas and grandads are all very welcome to come and watch. There will be benches located next to the track for spectators but if you wish to bring your own deck chair/ rug, you will be guaranteed of a seat. The Friends will be selling refreshments for parents/ visitors from the bandstand and visitors can use the staff toilets which are situated just outside the hall.

Parents are invited to bring a picnic and stay at dinner time. Dinner staff will supervise the children as usual.

We very much look forward to seeing you and hope the weather is in our favour for a fantastic day. In the event of bad weather, we will make a decision by 8.30 am as to whether sports day will be postponed. If this happens our alternative date will be Friday 22nd June.

Helen Storey
Headteacher

SPORTS DAY Program 2018



| TIME | RECEPTION/ KEY STAGE 1 | KEY STAGE 2 |
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| 9.15 -10.45 | Track races e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Running • Skipping • Egg and Spoon • Obstacle | Field Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Welly Wang • Beat the Goalie • Standing long jump • Howzat! |
| BREAKTIME Refreshments available to buy in the bandstand for adults (provided by 'The Friends of Pennington') Pupils in classrooms for drink and rest break | | |
| 11.00 -12.00 | Long distance races/ fun runs. (£1 to enter will go towards new playground equipment for the shed) Individual medals for winners. Everyone who takes part will receive a point for their family group Reception - half way round the field Year 1 - half way round the field Year 2 - once round the field Year 3 - once round the field Year 4 - one and a half times round the field Year 5 - twice round the field Year 6 - twice round the field | |
| DINNERTIME Parents are invited to join us for a picnic. Friends will be selling hotdogs | | |
| 1.30-2.30 | Field Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Welly Wang • Beat the Goalie • Standing long jump | Track races e.g. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Running • Skipping • Egg and Spoon • Obstacle |
| 2.30-2.45 | Toddlers, parents and teachers races | |
| 2.45 | Official opening of the Pennington Paces Track | |
| 2.50 | Announcement of scores | |
| 3.00 | Home time | |

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.



After-School Activities Summer 2018

| Day | Activity | Leader | Where? | Time |
|-----------|---|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| Monday | KS2 Water Colour Painting Club (limit 12 children to start 30/04/18) | Mrs Barton | Year 4 Classroom | 3.00-3.45pm |
| | <u>Dance Club - £10.00</u> (whole school - limit to 20 children) | Mrs Stephenson | Hall | 3.00 - 4.00pm |
| Tuesday | <u>Year 3- 6 Football - £10.00</u> | Tom | Hall | 3.00-4.00pm |
| Wednesday | <u>Year 1 and 2 Multi-Sports - £10.00</u> | Tom | Hall | 3.00-4.00pm |
| | Gardening Club (invite only) | Miss Kenny & Mrs Smith | School Field | 3.00-4.00pm |
| | Choir | Mrs Solloway | Year 1 | 3.00-4.00pm |
| Thursday | Mindfulness (half Yoga and half Colouring) | Miss Preston | Hall | 3.00-4.00pm |
| | Netball Club - Year 5 and 6 | Miss Barnes | Playground | 3.00 - 4.00pm |
| Friday | KS1 Running Club | Mrs Dearden Mr McQuillan | School Field | 3.00-4.00pm |
| | <u>KS2 Cricket- £10.00</u> | Bob Simpson | School Field | 3.00pm-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 Football/Multi-Skills/Dance)

Signed Parent/Carer

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