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Spring Term Newsletter 03 - 07/05/2024

Dear Parents and Carers

Can you believe that we are already half way through the school year?!

We are looking forward to the summer months but aware that the forecast for tomorrow shows that we will possibly have snow. We are expecting to open as usual but look out for messages on Facebook in the morning.

Enjoy half term next week. We hope that the holidays will be a good break and a chance for all the children who have been suffering from viruses and infections, coughs, colds, sore throats, headaches and ear infections to make a full recovery. Country wide, there have been a higher number of Strep A related infections - please see the link for more information

<https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2022/12/05/group-a-strep-what-you-need-to-know/>

Facebook

Do you follow us on Facebook? We post all our activities on this page, including Special Mentions, Classroom activities, Outdoor Learning Days, Sports events, School trips, School Residentials and Friends of Pennington information. It is often the quickest way to receive information about what is going on in school.



Pennington CofE Primary School

751 likes • 897 followers

'GOD HAS GIVEN EACH OF US DIFFERENT GIFTS, TOGETHER WE CAN DO GREAT THINGS' Pennington Church of England Primary School is a community primary school for children aged between 3-11 years old.

Special Mentions

Well-done to our children who received this weeks' Special Mention awards. It is great to hear that many children have been able to attend hobbies and events outside school and they were very proud to receive recognition in front of their peers and teachers.



Year 4, 5 and 6 Residential

Just a gentle reminder that the Year 4, 5 and 6 Residential will take place during the Summer Term - Full payment is required by Friday 22nd March 2024. Parentpay has been set up so you are able to pay the deposit and monthly payments thereafter to enable you to spread the cost over 6 instalments. If for any reason there is a difficulty paying this amount, please contact the school office.

Year 6 Coffee Morning

Thank you to Year 6 who hosted a fabulous coffee morning last Friday for their families and friends. Cake contributions were really appreciated and enjoyed. The children raised £54 and will help make decisions about what to spend it on. We look forward to each class having the opportunity to host a coffee morning before the end of the school year.

Jewellery

A number of children have been wearing jewellery for school. Teachers will ask them to remove necklaces and bracelets. Only stud earrings are permitted in school.

Safer Internet Day

Yesterday was safer internet day. Mr Hodgson, who is computing lead in school often provides information and updates to children and parents. We hope you find this useful. Tomorrow Year 5 will lead a whole school assembly to remind children of all ages how to stay safe when using the internet.

Online News Safety News

There is a large amount of content available online, so it can be challenging working out what is accurate and useful. Help your children to become critical thinkers with the content they see online by reading these tips from childnet: <https://www.childnet.com/help-and-advice/reliability-online/>



Reliability online | Childnet

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www.childnet.com

All consoles offer parental controls such as restricting who your child can communicate with. Find out more information by clicking on one of the links below:

PlayStation: <https://www.playstation.com/engb/support/account/psn-safety-parents-guide>

Xbox: <https://www.xbox.com/en-GB/family-hub>

Nintendo Switch: <https://www.nintendo.co.uk/Hardware/Nintendo-Switch-ParentalControls/Nintendo-Switch-Parental-Controls-1183145.html>

Wet Weather Play

You may have noticed our new welly sheds which are positioned next to the hedge at the side of the Pennington Paces track. In Opal Play, we encourage different types of play in all weathers and in order for the children to be able to enjoy it, they need the correct clothing and footwear. **Please can you provide your child with waterproof coat and trousers to be kept in their cloak-room and a pair of wellies (named and pegged together) that will permanently be kept in the welly sheds.** If you have items that your child has grown out of, perhaps you could think about donating them for families who are in need of help.

After School Clubs

We aim to offer a range of after school activities throughout the year. The timetable for this term is displayed below. **There will be a nominal charge for clubs run by school staff to cover resources. We will continue to charge for clubs run by sports coaches.** **All clubs need to be booked, paid for and permission given through Parentpay.** We still consider this to be good value. Thank you to staff for giving their time freely to offer these opportunities.



After School Clubs - Spring 2 2024

Day	Activity	Leader	Where?	Time
Monday	Colouring Club - Year 1 & 2 (20 places available) £6.00	Mrs Shaw Kilburn	Year 1 Classroom	3.15-4.00pm
	Watercolours - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 (20 places available) £6+.00	Mrs Barton	Year 4 Classroom	3.15-4.00pm
Tuesday	Multisports - Year 1, 2 and 3 £15.00	Jack	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.15-4.00pm
Wednesday	Multisports - Year 4, 5 & 6 £15.00	Corey	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.15-4.00pm
Thursday	STEM LEGO - Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 (15) £5.00	Mrs Gilbert (Governor)	Year 6 Classroom	3.15-4.00pm

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

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023/2024



AUTUMN TERM 2023

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Wednesday 6 September	Tuesday 19 December	Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October

Number of school days in term - 70

SPRING TERM 2024

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Wednesday 3 January	Thursday 28 March	Monday 12 February - Friday 16 February

Number of school days in term - 57

SUMMER TERM 2024

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Tuesday 16 April	Friday 19 July	Monday 27 May - Friday 31 May

Good Friday - 29 March
Easter Sunday - 30 March
Easter Monday - 1 April
May Bank Holiday - 6 May

Number of school days in term - 63

Number of days in year - 190

INSET Days: Monday 4 and Tuesday 5 September
Monday 15 April

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2024/2025



AUTUMN TERM 2024

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Wednesday 4 September	Friday 20 December	Monday 28 October - Friday 1 November

Number of school days in term - 73

SPRING TERM 2025

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Tuesday 7 January	Friday 4 April	Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Number of school days in term - 59

SUMMER TERM 2025

<u>STARTS</u>	<u>ENDS</u>	<u>HALF - TERM HOLIDAY</u>
Tuesday 22 April	Friday 18 July	Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May

Good Friday - 18 April
Easter Sunday - 20 April
Easter Monday - 21 April
May Bank Holiday - 5 May

Number of school days in term - 58

Number of days in year - 190

INSET Days: Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September
Monday 6 January

FRIENDS OF PENNINGTON

School Disco - Thursday 8th February (See poster) We still require parent helpers for the Disco, if you would like to help out please contact Carly, Amanda or Stella via email FoP@penn.cumbria.sch.uk or call into the school office. Please use the following link to book tickets or scan the QR code.

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofpennington/index.cfm?event=login&customerNotFound=true>


AGM - Tuesday 20th February @ 7.30pm (venue to be confirmed)

coniston2barrow

A few of the FoP committee have entered coniston2barrow and are looking for a team of up to 12 people. If anyone genuinely fancies joining in, you have to be a registered member - please see link below:

<https://keswick2barrow.co.uk>

If you have registered, please email FoP@penn.cumbria.sch.uk and let Amanda know so you can be included in the team. Thank you for your continued support.



The Friends of Pennington School
invite you to their...

Winter DISCO!

Thursday 8th February in the School hall


Reception and KS1 4.30-5.30pm

KS2 5.45-6.45pm

TICKETS ONLY £2!
AVAILABLE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW
OR BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE
WWW.PTAEVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFPENNINGTON



Drinks and Snacks
available for 50p each




Outdoor activities
Cooking
Craft
Life skills
Community Involvement
Camping
International opportunities
Games

Guides

7.00 – 8.30 pm
Thursday, Lightburn House, Ulverston
2ndulverstongirlguides@gmail.com

Girls laugh, learn and expand their horizons for ages 10 to 14

At Guides, all girls are welcome to enjoy our fun-filled space, where she'll make good friends, learn to be herself, explore what she loves and do stuff she's never done before!



girlguiding
Registered charity number: 521693

For units meeting on other days visit girlguiding.org.uk/joinus



Pennington Brownies have space to welcome new members.

Girls aged 7-10

Thursday, 6-7.30pm

Contact (Tina): tinaboyle56@gmail.com

Or register online: [Register a child | Girlguiding](http://girlguiding.org.uk/register-a-child)

**WATER PARK
FAMILY & FRIENDS
RESIDENTIAL ADVENTURE WEEKEND**

FRIDAY 26TH—SUNDAY 28TH JULY 2024



Bring your family /friends for a residential weekend of fun and laughter. If you have been to Water Park with a group, or you work for The Eric Wright Group then this is an opportunity to come and join other families for a weekend of adventurous activities.

There will be a choice of activities on offer to choose from.



POSSIBLE ACTIVITIES ON OFFER:

CANOEING
KAYAKING
SAILING
WINDSURFING
GHYLL SCRAMBLING
HIGH AND LOW ROPES
CLIMBING
PADDLEBOARDING

**£185.00 per adult
£100.00 per child**

Arrive Friday 26th July after
4.30pm for evening meal

Depart Sunday 28th July 4pm

All food, accommodation/activities
and
specialist clothing included



WATER PARK
LAKELAND ADVENTURE CENTRE
CONISTON WATER

01229 885456

office@waterparkadventure.co.uk

www.waterparkadventure.co.uk

Family Challenge

EXPLORING TOGETHER

LAKELAND ORIENTEERING CLUB
Adventures on your doorstep!
Fun map-reading activities for all.

Sign Up online

Free activities

RUN!
WALK!
WITH YOUR FRIENDS!
RACE THE KIDS!

Find your way around the adventure courses exploring this beautiful area!

SATURDAY 3RD FEBRUARY
10AM - 12 NOON
MILLERGROUND

SEE OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES FOR MORE INFORMATION
lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk

Adventure on your doorstep!

Free Family-Fun Workshops
 Six days in Spring near lakeland town centres

3 days in FEBRUARY half-term

Monday 12th	10am - 12noon	Kendal Rugby Club
Tuesday 13th	1.30 - 3.30pm	Ford Park, Ulverston
Wednesday 14th	10am - 12noon	Rothay Park, Ambleside

followed by 3 Saturdays in MARCH

See our pages for information and updates:
lakeland-orienteeing.org.uk

Lakeland Orienteering Club

Outdoor adventures together



Onside Sports Coaching Half Term Holiday Camp

Onside Football & Multi Sports Academy (4-12 year olds)

The camp will consist of fun and enjoyable warm up games and then allow the children to experience numerous sporting activities during the day. All coaching will be delivered by coaches with enhanced DBS disclosures to work with children enabling us to provide a fun, safe environment for your child to work



FURNESS COLLEGE
Mon 12th Feb - Fri 16th Feb



Book early to avoid disappointment

- Each camp will run **9am-3pm** (Group drop off and collection times will be confirmed on booking)
- We have use of a huge hall and 3g playing facilities so if the weather is poor the camp will run as normal.
- Participants will require appropriate sports kit and trainers. Also, a packed lunch and still drinks will be needed for their lunch break.

- **INDIVIDUAL DAYS £15**
- **FULL WEEK BOOKING £65**

For further info please contact Gavin Butler
Tel – 07887940150

Instagram – **Onside Sports Development**

Email – Gav@onsidesportscoaching.co.uk

Facebook- **Onside Sports Coaching Development**

Photographs/Videos may be taken for publicity, training and advertisement purposes. By circling YES it will indicate you DO have objections to this, please contact Onside Sports Coaching with any questions

FEBRUARY HALF TERM

MONDAY

12TH >>>

LITTLE BALLERS (18 MONTHS+)

1-140PM

ST MARYS PARISH HALL ULVERSTON

TUESDAY

13TH >>>

MULTI SPORTS (AGES 4+)

9.30AM-12PM

ST MARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL

FOOTBALL FOR BOYS AND GIRLS (AGES 11-15)

1.30-3PM

ULVERSTON 3G PITCH

WEDNESDAY

14TH >>>

ACTIVITY DAY (AGES 4+)

9.30AM-2.30PM

LOW FURNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL

BOOK ON NOW VIA [HPACTIVITIES.COM](https://hpaactivities.com)



0 – 19 Child and Family Support Services – South Lakeland

Half Term Cooking & Craft Session

Tuesday 13th Feb, Kendal West Children's Centre

Weds 14th Feb, Ulverston Children's Centre

Thurs 15th Feb, Flookburgh Children's Centre

Come and join us to make and decorate Gingerbread people, listen to the story and have fun making Gingerbread themed crafts. Open to children under 11 years old.
10:30-12pm

Limited places, to book contact joan.hanson@actionforchildren.org.uk Mobile: 07725 782198

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South Cumbria Musical Theatre Choir are running a family *Matilda* themed Masterclass on Sunday 18th February in Ulverston.

Matilda the Musical

South Cumbria Musical Theatre Choir are running a family *Matilda* themed Masterclass on Sunday 18th February in Ulverston. The workshop is suitable for adults and children alike, and a great chance to have a musical theatre sing song, bond with family and connect with new friends this half term.

Please find a link to the website below, which includes full details about the event, and a link to the booking page.

<https://www.singspacechoir.com/courses/south-cumbria-matilda>

