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Spring Term Newsletter 07 - 15/02/2023

Dear Parents and Carers

As we come to the end of the first half of the Spring term, we are beginning to see signs of Spring and lighter evenings. Staff and children have worked very hard and the children have particularly enjoyed their outdoor learning days with Mrs Dearden and Miss Zerlauskaite. Thank you to them for organising such fun and memorable learning experiences. Photographs can be found on Facebook and Twitter and you will also see lots of other posts of day-to-day events in school. Please share these with your children - we are sure they will enjoy looking back at what they have been doing.

Well done to all the children who received Special Mentions last week.



World Book Day - Thursday 2nd March 2023

World Book Day is a celebration of authors, illustrators, books and (most importantly) it's a celebration of reading. In fact, it's the biggest celebration of its kind, designated by UNESCO as a worldwide celebration of books and reading, and marked in over 100 countries all over the world. We will be holding our World Book Day on Thursday 2nd March where children can come dressed as their favourite book character for the day. Alternatively, children can come in their pyjamas and bring their favourite bedtime story. This worked well last year as we recognise that there is currently an increase in the cost of living and there is no requirement to buy a new costume.



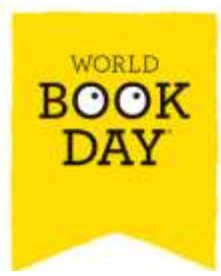
Ulverston Library

**World Book Day
Celebration event
& Costume Swap**

**Monday 20th February
11am-12pm**

- costume swap, crafts and stories
- free food and recipe pack* *limited availability
- Costume Swap will be in the library all week

Space is limited so please book a FREE place. Either scan the code or phone 01229 404151



Sports Roundup

Panathlon

Congratulations to the team that took part in the Furness Schools Panathlon at Furness College. Each station tested hand eye coordination, team work, stamina and agility and we were pleased to be awarded 2nd place and receive our silver medals.



Tennis

A group of children took part in the mini tennis competition at UVHS. The children all played really well and gained some valuable match experience.



Online Safety News, Tips and Helpful Advice

Swiggle is a search engine designed for children to provide a safer environment when searching for content online. The results are filtered using Google SafeSearch and the educational resources are prioritised. Swiggle also filters the search terms to check it is not being used to search for inappropriate content. Click the link to explore it for yourself: <https://swiggle.org.uk/>

Admin Assistant

The Governors of Pennington C of E School are seeking to appoint a temporary part-time Administration Assistant (initially until 31st March, 2024 due to budgetary restrictions, with a view to becoming permanent) to support the Office Manager with the smooth running of the school office and administration systems.

Further details and an application pack are available on the school website www.penn.cumbria.sch.uk or email admin@penn.cumbria.sch.uk to request an application pack.

After School Clubs

After School Clubs remain the same for the next half term. To secure a place for your child, please can you email admin@penn.cumbria.sch.uk giving permission even if they have taken part in this club over the last half term. If you log into Parentpay to pay for Multisports or Football, this will secure a place for your child with Corey and Jack. Thank you.

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FRIENDS OF PENNINGTON

AGM, 21st March, Pennington School, 7.30pm

The Friends of Pennington School group would like to invite everyone to our Annual General Meeting. FoP School is to have five named committee members, these are: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and a new role of Fundraising Officer these will be voted on in the AGM. We would welcome and encourage new members and anyone who can spare time to help organise and volunteer at events. If you would like to put yourself forward as a named committee member or volunteer to support us please come along to the meeting or send us an email.

We are excited and looking forward to the year ahead and hope to continue as a dynamic group that all can be involved in. We are here to support the school, families and community with fun events and fundraising. Thankyou for your continued support, FoP School.

FOP@PENN.CUMBRIA.SCH.UK

After School Clubs

We aim to offer a range of after school activities throughout the year. The timetable for next term is displayed below. **There will be a charge 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. Thank you to staff for giving their time freely to offer these opportunities.

If you want your child to take part in an after-school club activity, please email admin@penn.cumbria.sch.uk to give permission to the clubs your child wishes to attend.

If your child wants to join Multisports or Football please log into Parentpay to secure their place.

For those clubs that need payment an email will be sent out to the whole year group the club is aimed at, to enable parents to give permission and pay by Parentpay. If your child does not want to take part in a paid after school club, please can you email admin@penn.cumbria.sch.uk and the payment request will be removed from your Parentpay account.



After School Clubs - Spring 2 2023

| Day | Activity | Leader | Where? | Time |
|-----------|--|---------------|---|--------------------|
| Monday | Year 3,4,5 & 6 Watercolours (20 places) | Mrs Barton | Year 4 Classroom | 3.15-4.00pm |
| Tuesday | Year 1, 2 and 3 Multi Sports <u>£15.00</u> | Jack | School Playing Field Hall when wet | 3.15-4.00pm |
| Wednesday | Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Football <u>£15.00</u> | Corey | School Playing Field Hall when wet | 3.15-4.00pm |
| | Year 1 & 2 Lego Club (20 places) | Miss Sedgwick | Year 1 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 2022/2023



AUTUMN TERM 2022

STARTS

Wednesday
7 September

ENDS

Tuesday
20 December (1.30pm)

HALF - TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 24 October -
Friday 28 October

Number of school days in term - 70

SPRING TERM 2023

STARTS

Wednesday
4 January

ENDS

Friday
31 March

HALF - TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 20 February -
Friday 24 February

Number of school days in term - 58

SUMMER TERM 2023

STARTS

Monday
17 April

ENDS

Wednesday
19 July

HALF - TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 29 May -
Friday 2 June

Good Friday - 7 April
Easter Sunday - 9 April
Easter Monday - 10 April
May Bank Holiday - 1 May
Coronation Bank Holiday - 8 May

Number of school days in term - 62

Number of days in year - 190

SATS Week - 9 to 12 May

INSET Days: Monday 5 and Tuesday 6 September
Tuesday 3 January

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2023/2024



AUTUMN TERM 2023

STARTS HOLIDAY

Wednesday
6 September

ENDS

Tuesday
19 December

Number of school days in term - 70

HALF - TERM

Monday 23 October -
Friday 27 October

SPRING TERM 2024

STARTS

Wednesday
3 January

ENDS

Thursday
28 March

Number of school days in term - 57

HALF - TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 12 February -
Friday 16 February

SUMMER TERM 2024

STARTS

Tuesday
16 April

ENDS

Friday
19 July

Number of school days in term - 63

Number of days in year - 190

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

HALF - TERM HOLIDAY

Monday 29 May -
Friday 2 June

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



ParkPlay

Free Fun & Games For All



Ulverston ParkPlay

Taking place every **Saturday** from **10am** at **Lightburn Park**.
To encourage as many families as possible to get involved we
are exploring options to provide **FREE** transport from local
villages in the furness area to ParkPlay.

To help us find out whether there is a
local need please take a moment to
complete our short survey.

Scan the QR code
below to complete the
survey




Cumbria County Council is working with Active Cumbria to bring free activities in the form of ParkPlay in Ulverston for children who live locally.

The children who live centrally in Ulverston can walk to the events which take place each Saturday, but those who live on the outskirts of the town might struggle to attend especially with the recent rise in the cost of living.

Active Cumbria are exploring the possibility of providing free transport to those children and their parents but firstly, they need to know if there is the demand for this.

Attached is the flyer for details which includes a link to the short parental survey.

You can also use the following direct link to the survey which is <https://forms.gle/4W67sTdgWedgSyia9> - the survey will close on **Friday 17th February**.

Kind Regards

Kelly

Kelly Alty (pronouns - she/her)

Development Officer – South Lakeland Locality (Early Years Lead)

Active Cumbria | Cumbria County Council | County Hall | Kendal | LA9 4RQ

w: www.activecumbria.org Social: [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#)



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 ACADEMY

Mon 20th Feb - Fri 24th Feb



Limited places available. Book early
to avoid disappointment

- Each camp will run **9am-3pm** (bubble drop off and collection times will be confirmed on booking)
- We will continue to run age group bubbles and the children will work with the same coaches each day.
- 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

T – 07887940150

E – Gav@onsidesportscoaching.co.uk

F- 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



Adventure on your doorstep! February Fun Family 'O' Days

23rd Feb. Ulverston Leisure Complex 10am-12 noon

24th Feb. GSK Sports Grounds 10am-12 noon

25th Feb. Ford Park and Hoad Hill 11am-1pm

Also 20th– 22nd February in venues around Kendal



Join us this half-term for three days of fun, adventure and exploring in the outdoors.

Learn navigation skills, find your way around the map, have fun together.

Aimed at children 7-11 taking part with an adult



More information? Questions?

clairefo@lakelandoc.uk

To register go to link on:

lakeland-orienteering.org.uk



THURSDAYS
AFTER SCHOOL
3.30PM-5.00PM

Ulverston Library

LEGO CLUB

Children under 8 must be accompanied by a responsible person