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Autumn Term Newsletter 09 - 30/11/2023

Dear Parents and Carers

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.



Job Vacancy

We would like to congratulate Mrs McClean on her recent success with an interview for a teaching post at Victoria Infant and Nursery School in Barrow. Mrs McClean joined our Reception class four years ago as a higher level teaching assistant but is looking forward to returning to teaching in January. We wish her all the best with her new job and thank her for her hard work at Pennington. She will be missed.

This does however offer an opportunity for someone else to join our staff team. We are currently advertising this position. Please share with anyone who think might be interested.

<https://www.penn.cumbria.sch.uk/vacancies.html>

Online Safety News, Tips and Helpful Advice

We embrace the use of technologies to enrich all areas of the curriculum, so therefore online safety plays an important role in safeguarding children at Pennington Primary School. We have measures in place to help safeguard pupils from inappropriate content. The link below contains information, which you may find useful regarding setting up parental controls on devices.

<https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>

Christmas Holidays

On the last day of term, on Tuesday 19th December 2022, we will be finishing school at 1.30pm for Christmas. Please can you organise for your children to be collected at 1.30pm. Thank you.

Christmas Events

Friday 1 st December	Christmas Craft Day/Non uniform
Thursday 7 th December	Friends of Pennington Christmas Fair/Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday 12 th December - pm	Reception Christmas Party
Wednesday 13 th December	School Hub Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 13 th December - pm	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Party
Thursday 14 th December - pm	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Party
Friday 15 th December - pm	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Party
Monday 18 th December - am	Reception Class and KS1 Nativity in church (parents invited)
Monday 18 th December - pm	KS2 Christingle Service in church (parents invited)
Tuesday 19 th December	1.30pm BREAK UP FOR CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 😊
Wednesday 3rd January 2024	Return to school

Christmas Craft Day

Our Christmas Craft Day is tomorrow, 1st December. We will be making lots of crafty Christmas items to decorate the school. **Children can wear non-uniform for a donation towards the tombolas that we will run at the school Christmas Fair. We ask that Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 bring a contribution towards the chocolate tombola and Years 3,4,5 and 6 bring a bottle of something, eg shower gel, bubble bath, ketchup, olive oil, wine, etc. If they are glass bottles, they should be transported carefully or brought in by an adult. The more prizes we collect, the better the tombolas. Thank you in advance for your contributions.**

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 - Autumn 2 2023

Day	Activity	Leader	Where?	Time
Monday	ENDED Year 5 & 6 Computing Club (16) £5.00, 5 weeks to 27.11.23	Mr Hodgson	Year 5 Classroom	3.15-4.00pm
Tuesday	Year 1, 2 and 3 Football £15.00, 7 weeks to 13.12.23	Jack	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.15-4.00pm
	ENDED Year 3 - 6 Reading Club (20) £5.00, 5 weeks to 28.11.23	Miss Barnes	Year 3 Classroom	3.15-4.00pm
Wednesday	Year 4, 5 & 6 Football £15.00, 7 weeks to 14.12.23	Corey	School Playing Field Hall when wet	3.15-4.00pm
	Christmas Choir Club £6.00, 6 weeks to 07.12.23	Mrs Soloway	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

FRIENDS OF PENNINGTON

Christmas Family Fun Night!!

We are busy organising the Christmas Family Fun Night, we need your help!!!

The event will be held on Thursday 7th December 6-8pm and the cost of tickets will be £8.00 per family and £3.00 for individual tickets.

If you can support with any of the following, please get in touch via email with:

Carly Baird, Amanda Dexter and Stella Baldwin on FoP@penn.cumbria.sch.uk or telephone the school office.

Raffle Prizes

From friends/family or local business

Cakes for our cake stall

Patio heaters for outside

Second hand toys and teddies to sell

New Christmas Decorations for Christmas Cottage

Christmas Jumpers to Sell

Volunteers

To help set up before the event, Decorate Christmas Cottage or run the volunteer led stalls on the night

We will also be asking for the usual chocolate and bottle donations from the children as part of Christmas Craft Day Non-Uniform Day, more details to follow through the school newsletter

For all other donations, please can these be brought into school from Monday 4th December.

Thank you, as always, for your help and support.

**FRIENDS OF PENNINGTON SCHOOL CHARITY
CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN NIGHT**

DECEMBER 7TH

6 PM TO 8 PM

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
WWW.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFPENNINGTON OR BY
SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW



**SANTA, PRE-LOVED CHRISTMAS
JUMPER & TOY SALE, CRAFT &
PHOTOGRAPHY STALLS, GAMES,
RAFFLE, TOMBOLA, TREATS
& SO MUCH MORE!**

Join us at Pennington C of E
Primary School LA12 0RR for a
fundraising evening full of fun!



Friends of Pennington - Christmas Fair - Thursday 7th December

Our Christmas Fair is one of our biggest annual fund raisers. It is a family-friendly, fun event and we encourage you to join us.

Tickets are on sale from tomorrow, through the website:

www.PTA-EVENTS.CO.UK/FRIENDSOFPENNINGTON

Family tickets are £8.00 and individual tickets £3.00. The ticket price includes a visit to Father Christmas, juice and a drink for children and a glass of mulled wine and mince pie for adults.

We will be holding a second-hand Christmas stall to include Christmas jumpers and Christmas books and would welcome some donations. We also hope to have a teddy tombola and bric-a-brack stall. Year 6 will be running games and we have visiting stall holders from the local community. There are also tattoos and face painting stalls and a fabulous grand raffle. Thank you to all the local businesses who have provided the prizes.

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 finish at 1.30pm	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



**Pennington CofE School
Poppy Appeal 2023**

Collection Total

£165.08

**On Behalf of The Royal British Legion
Poppy Appeal**

A very BIG Thank You!

Healthy Habits 4 Life

Healthy Habits 4 Life is a **FREE** programme run by the Public Health 5-19 team for families in Cumbria with children in Reception to Year 7 who want to make the change to a healthier lifestyle. Families will be offered 1:1 support and advice on a range of areas:



A Public Health Practitioner will arrange to meet with you at a time and place to suit you and your family, this could be in your own home, at school or via video and will work with you over a number of weeks.

If you would like to know more or want your child to be included please contact us via the E-School Nurse clinic
E-SchoolNurse@ncic.nhs.uk

happierhealthiercommunities.nhs.uk



E-School Nurse Video Clinics

(By appointment only)



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

Tuesday and Thursday

You will be able to talk to the nurse over a live video link using [Attend Anywhere](#). The link is private, secure, confidential and convenient.

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

You can telephone for an appointment

01228 603973 Mon-Fri 8-4pm



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NASAL FLU CATCH UP SESSIONS

**The following clinics have been arranged for children who missed their nasal flu immunisation in school.
School years Reception -year 11**



Kendal clinic -at Blackhall unit-Westmorland General hospital

TUESDAY 21ST NOVEMBER 2023 3.30-6.30 (APPOINTMENT ONLY)

MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2023 3.30-6.30 (APPOINTMENT ONLY)

Barrow clinic -Barrow 102 Dolton Lane-Furness General hospital

TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2023 3.30-6.30 (APPOINTMENT ONLY)

WEDNESDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2023 3.30-6.30 (APPOINTMENT ONLY)