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St. Mary's

Church of England Primary School
Kirkby Lonsdale



P.E. on day one of Autumn Term

Honesty



Trust



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I hope you have had an opportunity to read the first newsletter sent on Wednesday, the first day of term. This newsletter is a supplementary letter with various information about some clubs coming up, including football club, sports club (netball) and art club. With the first newsletter was an online safety letter. All letters are available via our school website also: <https://www.stmarys-kl.cumbria.sch.uk/online-safety-newsletters/>



This week you should receive a class letter which informs you about PE, spellings, homework, reading, apps children are using for maths etc... You will also receive a home learning project day letter which provides you with options for the larger project completed over various weeks usually linked to Geography or History.



If you have not introduced yourself to the teachers, please do so at drop off or pick up time so that we can say hello.



Things to remember:

- Does school have your address, email and phone number? If it has changed over the summer, please let us know ASAP. Allergy updates and other medical details are also important to update, so please do get in touch.
- Are you linked to Class Dojo? This is often a way to see photos of what is happening in class. Please look for an invitation in your email account if you are new to school. (This may take a few days).
- Has your child got the correct uniform and PE Kit?
- Please read through and check your child's planner/reading diary. This will often have information, passwords etc. for your child's gmail account etc.



If you are new to school and have joined the school in Y1-6 we would love to hear how well your child has settled in. If there is any background information about your child, which hasn't been conveyed yet, please get in touch with the class teacher.



On Thursday, we sent a permission slip electronically to all parents whose children are in the junior classes, providing information about the Westmorland Show on Thursday. Thank you for all of the responses that we have received already (over 70). Please ensure your access this and complete the form by Sunday evening so that we can plan and prepare. If your child needs a school packed lunch, could you please book this ASAP also. (The school lunch menu has just been changed for Thursday to include a visit packed lunch).

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Football Club

We will be starting Football Club on the 25th Sept. Please register your interest using the following link and we will set up payments etc. very soon. £5 per session.

<https://forms.gle/7xEdu7zogEScxtDU7>

Netball Club

Netball starts next Thursday and Year 3 and 4 have the opportunity to join this excellent club with Danny Harper for this half term. The first session will be after the Westmorland Show visit.

<https://forms.gle/ZgSyZ96613aUuuKLA>



ART & CRAFT
After School Club

Every Tuesday during school term
3.15pm to 4.20pm
Starting 12th September 2023

For children in Years 3,
4, 5 and 6
St Mary's Primary
School, Kirkby Lonsdale

- painting
- origami
- collage
- papier mâché
- crafts
- drawing
- decoupage
- teddy making
- key rings

£6 per lesson
Snack included
Pay for half a term block
Try a sample lesson for £6 before paying for your first block

Contact Jana Hopton 07591 494103 / stripycatart@hotmail.com

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Examples of things created in previous art club sessions:



We will be starting Homework Club in two weeks time and letters will be coming out from Miss Cook very soon.

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Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome you all to the start of this new academic year. We hope the children are ready to start their new year and that they are prepared and keen to start.

I would especially like to welcome new families starting and I hope you are able to introduce yourself to the staff over the first few days to ensure a super transition and a positive start to the year. We all hope that you feel welcome in our school community.

Over the next few days, you will receive a letter from your child's class teacher which will detail expectations for the year, routines, visits to plan for and staff details. Please do read through these so you are familiar with the routines and expectations.

We hope that families will have had good summer, however incidents or situations can occur, so please do let us know if anything has happened that could impact on your child's well-being or education. If your address, telephone number, personal circumstances or other details have changed, please inform the school office team this week.

Settling your child into school and getting them into good routines, following a good summer break is essential and we hope the children have a good start and establish excellent routines over the next couple of weeks.

Just to confirm, we don't believe there is any RAAC (Reinforced Autoclave Aerated Concrete) in school and we are not having to put any measures in place. We have made some developments to the school to improve the environment including new flooring in classrooms, which the children will benefit from. We look forward to enjoying a warm and safe start to the academic year, so please do ensure your child has a named water bottle and a sun hat as we start the term with super weather.

We mentioned in previous newsletters that Year 3-6 will attend the Westmorland Show. This is the County Show which takes place on the second Thursday of September. Since covid-19 the show has been split over days. We will attend on Thursday and cannot approve absence on the Wednesday as well as taking the children on the Thursday. If your child is in the Juniors (Y3-6) we will take your child (£5 for transport) or you can take your child. A form will come out very soon so that you can tell us which option you would prefer. Please come and see our display in the Learning for Life Marquee if you are going to the show.

Breakfast Club and After School Club will start straight away but other clubs run by school will not start immediately. Football Club will start on 25th September which will allow our staff to prepare and be ready for a good year of Football Club. The forms for a place in

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clubs will be sent out soon. We will be sending out much more information a.s.a.p. to keep you aware of the events and activities taking place in school.

Wishing everyone a positive and smooth start to this academic year.

Mr Jones



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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD
SOLIHULL APPROACH



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

*EXCITED, NERVOUS, ANXIOUS?
NOT SURE HOW THEY'RE FEELING?*

EMOTIONAL HEALTH CAN MAKE A BIG DIFFERENCE
TO CHILDREN'S PROSPECTS IN SCHOOL AND BEYOND

In Cumbria, we believe in supporting children's emotional health development, and that's why we've invested in online courses in understanding your child for parents.

By understanding how your child's brain develops and responds emotionally, you can better support their needs as they navigate the big milestones in school.

- Learn to better read and understand behaviour
- Help them to communicate how they feel
- Gain psychologist-informed ideas to support your child

GO TO INOURPLACE.CO.UK
AND ENTER THE CODE WORDSWORTH
FOR FREE ACCESS TO THE ONLINE COURSES

Attached is our monthly 'Online Safety Newsletter'. These are collated on our school website so please explore our previous online news letters for more information.



Online Safety Newsletter September 2023

The W App - Anonymous polls

The W App is rated as 12+ in the App store and as 'Parental Guidance' on Google Play. Once an account has been created, the user picks their school and participates in polls.

A user can choose any school (no

Back to school photos

With the excitement of a new school year and your child reaching a new milestone, many of us share photos of our child online without thinking about the associated risks. If you post online, then try following these basic rules:

- Don't post any photos of your child that show their school logo/name or recognisable places by where they live that can make it easy for people to find out their location.



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