



# NEWSLETTER

## JANUARY 2018

# Happy New Year!

I hope you've all enjoyed the Christmas festivities and that you had an enjoyable time throughout the holidays. We are all very grateful for your kind gifts and cards. What a generous bunch!

Thank you to all who attended the Christmas performance over the last week of term. The children worked very hard in rehearsing and performing the shows and it was great to see the children perform with such enthusiasm, joy and determination. Also, I'm sure you all appreciate the hard work that the staff put in to creating the performance. Additionally, I'd also like to say another thank you to you again whether that be in helping the children learn their lines, buy costumes or generally supporting them in the performances.

We have a busy term coming up with swimming week, gymnastics coaching, a swimming gala, U-Dance festival preparations, football, cross-country, Life Education Bus, open evenings, netball festival and more. Letters will be sent out prior to each event to those involved.

We are also starting our after school clubs from the week beginning Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> January. On Mondays, Miss Bell will be running a Craft and Upcycling club with sewing, and Mrs Nulty will be running Drama club on Tuesdays. If your child is interested, please complete and return the form on the letter being sent home today. I will attempt to get in touch with all those parents who kindly volunteered their time to clubs, in the coming days, to see if they are still available on the days given earlier in the year.

### Swimming Week – 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> February

Y1 to 6 children swim each morning at Penrith pool. This is a great opportunity to make sustained progress in swimming skills and is the PE curriculum for this week. The children are grouped by confidence and ability. The children will need to bring their kit every day and we will travel to the pool by coach after registration. Nursery and Reception children will be in school as usual.



**Swimmers need:** swimwear  
towel  
goggles (if they normally wear them)  
any swimming aid they need in the pool

**PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON EVERYTHING – INCLUDING ALL THEIR CLOTHES – THANK YOU**

If you want your child to have a booster seat on the coach, please provide a named one (coaches are exempt from booster seat requirements).



This terms topic is Water and Weather. The class teachers will send out their Topic Overview next week for you to have a look at. We believe it is important for you to know what's going on in school and in your child's class.

Mrs Nulty is continuing to cover for Leeanne who is remaining off school at the advice of her doctor. We continue to give Leeanne as much support as possible with her pregnancy.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Week beginning Monday, 15 <sup>th</sup> January	After school clubs start
Thursday, 18 <sup>th</sup> January	9:30am Swimming gala at Penrith Leisure Centre for some children in Y3 to 6 (letters have been sent home for those involved)
Wednesday, 31 <sup>st</sup> January	3:30pm Governor's Safeguarding Committee meeting
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> February Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Swimming week Y1-6
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> February	7:00pm Governor's Finance Committee meeting
Tuesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> February	4:00pm Governor's Curriculum Committee meeting
Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> February	Break up for half term
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February	School starts
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Chris Pattinson from UCC to talk to Y5
Week beginning Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Open Evenings – Appointment slots will be up in classrooms for you to book yourself in nearer the time.
Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Hunter Hall cross country competition – (letters to follow to those children taking part)
Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Donna Moore – School Nurse to talk to Y5 & 6 Part of Sex and Relationships Education.
Thursday, 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Life Education Bus to visit school
Monday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March	6:45pm Full Governor's meeting
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Football Festival at Hunter Hall for Y5 & 6 (letter to follow)
Monday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Netball Festival at Hunter Hall for Y5 & 6 (letter to follow)
Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter assembly (To be confirmed)
Thursday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Break up for Easter holidays
Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April	School starts
Friday, 27 <sup>th</sup> April	U Dance Festival at the Sands Centre, Carlisle for Y4, 5 & 6

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