

Newsletter

March 2019 update



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Dear Parents and Community,

SPRING BREAK then EASTER WEEKEND

This is the first time that our Easter Holiday is different to our two week spring break. So please note that the Spring Break begins this Friday at 3:30pm on 29th March for two weeks, returning to school on Monday, 15th April. We then have a long weekend for the Easter break beginning after our Easter Church Service on Thursday, 18th April and returning on Tuesday, 23rd April.

Easter Egg Competition

Everyone is invited to enter our competition, young and old, in the following categories: Nursery & Reception, Years 1&2, Years 3&4, Years 5&6 and adults!

There are only two rules:

1. Decorate a real hardboiled egg with any design you wish. (There can be more than one egg and it can have a stand or background but not fake or polystyrene eggs this year please).
2. Design and make as much as you can by yourself, without too much adult help. (Age appropriate art work is always appreciated!)



All entries must be in school by **Wednesday, 17th April** ready for judging and will be returned home that evening. Prize giving will be during the Easter Service at St. Mary's Church, Stapleton on Thursday afternoon.

Easter Service - Thursday, 18th April - St. Mary's Church, Stapleton - 1:30pm

We look forward to seeing you all at our Easter Service which will take place at Stapleton Church at 1:30pm. Every child will be involved in some way throughout the service. We will transport all of the children to church, from Nursery through to Year 6. We will also run the shuttlebus transport service again departing from Stapleton Hall at 1:20pm and returning again following the service. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our very kind bus drivers from Davidson's who provide this service voluntarily.

PTA & Great North Air Ambulance Collection - Wednesday, 24th April

Our PTA have organised another clothing and electronic collection in aid of Shankhill PTA and the GNAA. A collection bag is attached for you to fill and send in to school!

Y6 Transition Group to William Howard School - Wednesday, 24th April

The next session is on Wednesday 24th April from 1:30pm to 2:30pm and we are looking for help from Year 6 parents to drive the 4/5 children there and back. If you can help at all, please can you let us know.

Lanercost Cross Country - Saturday, 27th April

Everyone, from Nursery to Year 6 are invited to take part in the annual cross country running race at Lanercost. For those who are able to come along, please complete the reply slip below and return it to school by Thursday, 18th April.

"This is a good school ... Activities capture pupils' interests and inspire confidence and enjoyment ...

Excellent relationships between adults and pupils create a positive climate where pupils want to learn and do well." Ofsted 2015



On the day, please meet Mrs Batey at Lanercost Cricket pavilion at 10:15am, wearing your full School PE kit, with school sweatshirt for easy identification. The races are open to all children from Nursery/Reception through to Year 6. They usually begin with the youngest pupils race first. All races finish with the pupils entering a finishing lane: boys (blue balloons) or girls (pink balloons). At the finish line, your child will be given a ticket with a number on it which must be brought to me so that we can collate points and winners, etc.

Carlisle United FC V Crawley Town - Saturday, 27th April

We are once again invited to attend a CUFC Football match this year. Children from Year 2 upwards are invited to attend free of charge. The event runs for around 4 hours and is all outside so please make sure your child is well wrapped up for the weather. Mr Neil and I will meet children at the front of Brunton Park at 1:15pm on the day. There are limited places so please complete the reply slip and return it to school by Wednesday 17th April. We will inform you if you have a place once your reply slip has been returned.

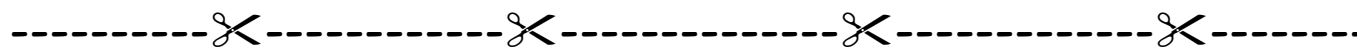
Assessment Season

When we enter the summer term, we drift into Statutory National Assessment time. Please take note of the dates given to us by the Government and respect these as children are not permitted to have time off during these dates:

May	Year 2 - National Tests (SATs) throughout month - NO ABSENCES OR HOLIDAYS PERMITTED.	Year 2
13 th - 16 th May	Year 6 National Testing Week (KS2 SATs) - NO ABSENCES OR HOLIDAYS PERMITTED	Year 6
20 th - 24 th May	School end of year assessments (Observations, tasks and tests)	Year 1, 3, 4 and 5.
w/c Mon 11 th June	YEAR 1 - National Phonics Screening Week - NO ABSENCES OR HOLIDAYS PERMITTED	Year 1
June	School end of year assessments (Observations and tasks)	Nursery and Reception.

Yours sincerely,

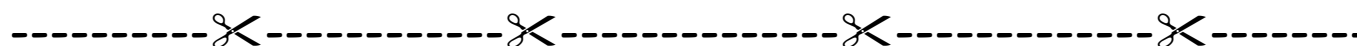
Mrs Batey, Head Teacher



Lanercost Cross Country - Saturday, 27th April reply by Wednesday 17th April

My child/children _____ will be attending the Lanercost Cross Country.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



Carlisle United FC V Crawley Town - Saturday, 27th April reply by Wednesday 17th April

My child/children _____ would like to attend the CUFC match.

Signed: _____ Date: _____