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Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

As the end of our third week comes to a close, it is great to see the children settling into their classes and showing that they can 'be the best that they can be!' Already, there has been some excellent learning taking place and we've been making the most of this September sunshine! I am getting used to the new role and I am incredibly excited about the year ahead. It has been a privilege to get to know all of the children; seeing how they interact with each other, particularly seeing how the older children engage with the younger children has been fabulous. There is a real 'buzz' around school! Some notices and reminders for the coming days and weeks:

Monday 23rd September – Wheelchair Basketball

We are excited to welcome NP Inclusive-Sport into school on Monday to deliver Wheelchair Basketball sessions across the school. The team aim to raise disability awareness through sports and the day promises to be great fun, whilst helping our children to develop their empathy and resilience.

Tuesday 24th September – 'Meet the Team' Open Afternoon

A reminder that on Tuesday, parents and carers are welcome to come in and see what the children have been learning, chat to the staff and ask any questions about life in school. Mrs Little and The School Council will be serving drinks and biscuits. The Class 1 team will be on hand to pass on information about our new phonics scheme, Little Wandle.

Road Closure – Monday 23rd September

A reminder that the road from Lazonby to Kirkoswald will be closed this weekend and on Monday. Please follow the diversion signs that are in place and plan for the school run to take longer than usual.

New Reading Books

As part of the new phonics teaching and learning, we have spent a lot of money and time, purchasing and organising new books, which link directly to the sounds that the children are learning in class. Books will begin to come home every Friday with the aim of reading it to an adult at least three times at home over the week. I must stress the importance of taking good care of each book – they really are expensive! No spills, bent pages, doodles, crumpled covers and certainly no rips! Any books which do come back in a poor state may be charged for.

Cash Pot – Asda!

If you shop at Asda, you can raise money for school! When customers use their app, they can choose a primary school to receive a percentage of the total spend. Please consider downloading and using the app to help with school funds. Easy money!



Attendance

A reminder that we are working alongside our Local Authority Attendance Officer to monitor attendance. If you have any requests for absences which you deem to be exceptional circumstances, please direct these to me at head@kirkoswald.cumbria.cumbria.sch.uk

Social Media

We will be updating the school Facebook page regularly to share some of the learning and activities taking place in school and in our wonderful outdoor areas. We hope to continue to develop the 'buzz' around school, in the community and to a wide audience. Feel free to like and share our posts and to encourage any prospective parents/children to come in and see what an amazing school we are! Please also ensure you have returned your data/permission forms to Danielle in the office ASAP.

Volunteers

We are always looking for opportunities to involve our parents, carers and grandparents in school life, for readers, gardening, adventure learning, transport and other extra-curricular activities. If you are willing and able to volunteer any time in the working week, please do get in touch. With that in mind, we have our first 'Crew Day' on Monday 21st October. Any help on that day would be greatly received.

Have a great weekend!

Mr L. Andrews
Headteacher

