

Dear Parents

### “Keep Going!”

The latest phase of Cumbria County Council’s campaign is encouraging people to stick to the COVID-19 rules and is focusing on the things we are all looking forward to when restrictions ease. We are now moving into a different period of time in school that is still unique and unprecedented, but much better than it has been as we are all back together again. However, can we again remind families that we need to do all we can to stick to the rules and follow national guidance on social distancing and remaining at home, even though our children are back at school. None of us wants to see class closures or a return to remote learning.

### Comic Relief

We all had great fun dressing up today and everyone enjoyed sharing their favourite jokes. Most importantly, together we raised £145 for Comic relief. There was a lot of laughter throughout the school which was lovely to hear. Below are the jokes voted the funniest by the children:

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| EYFS/ Year 1 | How does Batman’s Mum call him for dinner?<br>Dinner, dinner, dinner, dinner Batman!   |
| Year 2       | What do you call a chicken who counts her eggs?<br>A ‘mathemachicken’.   |
| Year 3       | Why did the boy throw the clock out of the window?<br>Because he wanted to see time fly!   |
| Year 4       | Where do bees go to the toilet?<br>The BP station.   |
| Year 5       | How do you put a giraffe in a fridge?<br>You open the fridge, put the giraffe in and close the fridge door.<br>How do you put an elephant in the fridge?<br>You open the fridge, take the giraffe out and put the elephant in. |
| Year 6       | Can February March?<br>No but April May!   |

### March Online Safety Newsletter

Please see the attached newsletter with further information about PEGI ratings. Please note that **Call of Duty** is rated either **16 years or 18+ years** because these games contain **bad language and graphic violence**. **Fortnite** is **12 years** because it contains **frequent mild violence**. Parents please be aware that this means that any of the above mentioned games are not really suitable for Primary age children.

### Lateral Flow Testing for Household Members

Members of households, childcare or support bubbles of school staff and pupils can now access lateral flow devices to carry out rapid testing at home. Please see attached letter from Cumbria County Council for more details.

### Outward Bound Adventure Days for Y6 Pupils

Outward Bound [Adventure Days](#) are back for the Easter break, this time at two of their Lake District centres, [Ullswater](#) and also [Eskdale](#) in the Western Lakes.

For young people aged 10-17 years, we have FREE places (£30 refundable deposit required) and paid places (£30/day) available. To apply for a place visit this page:

<https://www.outwardbound.org.uk/courses/adventure-days>

And for a reminder of what an Adventure Day looks like please look at this link:

[5 Reasons to come on an Outward Bound Adventure Day](#)

### How to Access your Library Online

On Wednesday 31st March, 10am - 12pm there is a FREE online course showing how to access ebooks, audio books and magazines, led by a fully qualified digital skills tutor. To book a place, please visit the following website at [www.adultlearning.cumbria.gov.uk](http://www.adultlearning.cumbria.gov.uk) or search under 'Digital Skills' and look for 'How to Access your Library Online' or call 01539 713257.

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| w/c Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> March                 | Egg decorating will now be set as a fun homework activity to participate in at home with all the family. This year's theme is "people who have made a difference during the pandemic". Please photograph your family's creation and share it on your Google Classroom.  |
| Thu 1 <sup>st</sup> April                      | Last day of Spring Term.<br>Egg rolling down the school hill will take place in class bubbles and a short video of this event will be added to your child's Google Classroom. <u>Please let school know if you do not wish your child to be filmed.</u> This year, school will provide a boiled egg for each child and prizes for each class.<br>We will provide After School Club on this day. |
| Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> April                     | Children return to school for the start of the Summer Term.   |
| Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> May                    | Newlands Residential (Y3-5) Information Session for parents by Zoom. Details to follow.   |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> May                   | Eskdale Residential (Y6) Information Session for parents by Zoom. Details to follow.  |
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> June                       | Class Photographs. Proofs of your child's class photograph will be sent home to parents of your child's class with ordering details. <b>Please ensure you contact school if you do not agree to your child appearing in their class photograph.</b>   |
| Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> June                      | Parents' Evening by Zoom Surnames A-H – Details to follow   |
| Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> July                     | Parents Evening by Zoom Surnames I-Z – Details to follow  |
| Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> July | Newlands Residential for Years 3, 4 and 5.  |
| Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> July | Eskdale Residential for Year 6.   |
| Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> July                      | Last day of Term.<br>Leavers Service for Y6 – details to follow.  |

Best wishes

Mrs C Gosson-Low

*"Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage."* Psalm 27:14