

Allonby Parent Fundraising Association

Thank you to all the parents who managed to attend the fundraising meeting which was held on Monday. Some fantastic fundraising ideas were discussed and the following events have been put in the diary:-

Tues 7th Feb—Pie & Peas & Family Quiz. Tickets £5 adults £3 children. Children can have either pie or hot dogs. Please let Mrs Walker know how many tickets you would like in advance. Details also on FB page soon.

Thurs 6th April—Easter Fair in school 2-4p.m.—lots of stalls, refreshments and decorated egg competition.

Frid 23rd June—Auction of goods & promises—more details to follow nearer the time!

Bag pack at Morrisons—date to be arranged.

Please come along and support these events. All money raised at the above events is spent on providing all kinds of opportunities for the children to enjoy.

Please find attached the Key Stage 2 Spring Term/Cycle 3 schedule of what the children will be studying this term.

Dates for your diary



Mon 16 Jan—Kinder Cricket KS1

Thurs 19 Jan—Invasion Games KS1

Frid 20th Jan—Kwik Cricket KS2

Thurs 26th Jan—Invasion Games KS1

Frid 27th Jan—Kwik Cricket KS2

Frid 3rd Feb—Kwik Cricket KS2

Tues 7th Feb—Pie & Pea Family Quiz Night. £5 adult £3 children. Please book in advance.

Wed Feb 8th—Book Bus visit

Wed 15th Feb—Dance Festival for KS1

Residentials

Two residentials have been arranged —1 for each Key Stage.

KS1 will be going to Bassenfell Manor with Mr Owen & Mrs Thompson on 30/31 March. Details and price to follow.

KS2 will be going to Derwent water Hostel in Borrowdale on the 18/19 May (after SATS). Further details and pricing to follow.



New Clubs after half term

New clubs will be starting after half term—our thanks to Guy Browes (resident Ukelele expert) for kindly volunteering to deliver these:-



Tues lunch time—Ukelele club of approx 6 children. If more than 6 children are interested, this will run on a rota basis.



Camera Club—Thurs after school. For approx 4 older children focussing on how to use basic photo manipulation software to change and enhance photos. This club will mean that Football will move to Friday.

In addition, Guy has offered to maintain our Nature Reserve so that in the spring it will be ready for the children to undertake scientific exploratory activities. We are indebted to Guy for all this voluntary work that he is offering to school.

Miss Mitchell has decided to pursue different career options and will therefore not be returning to school. We wish her all the best in the future.

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Newsletter from Head Teacher to Parents

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to a new term and a very Happy New Year to you all. We have a lot of activities and things planned for the children this term so it should be an eventful one. Please make sure that the children have their p.e. kits in school and leave them here at all times. Sporting activities for this term planned are:- KS1 Kinder Cricket—Mon 16th Feb, KS1 Invasion Games—Thur 12/19/26 Jan
KS1 Dance Festival 15th Feb. KS2 cricket Frid 13/20/27 Jan & 3rd Feb.

Our main topic this term throughout the school this term is Food and where it comes from. To support this we have arranged trips to West House Dairy Farm in Dearham on the 14th March for KS1 and 16th March for KS2. The visit will focus on where our food comes from and how the farm is part of the local economy. Also to support this topic we are in the process of arranging a trip to Morrisons to study how food gets to a supermarket from the producers, and how a supermarket is organised.

Please be reminded we are not officially open until 8.40a.m. and therefore we are not insured for your children to be in school before this time. Thank you.

Regards
David Owen
Hedteacher

Please send your children in with extra warm coats, hats, scarfs & gloves. It has been very very cold in the playground today!!!!

Parent Questionnaire

Separate to this newsletter is the annual Parent Questionnaire. This is a very valuable method of receiving feedback on how well you believe the school does overall in serving the best interest of your children. Your comments are really appreciated and it then gives us the opportunity to act on any changes or improvements that you would like to see happening in school.

I would appreciate it if the completed forms (which can remain anonymous if you prefer), be posted into the box in reception by next Wednesday 18th Jan.

Thank you in advance for your responses.

Bikeability

Congratulations to the three Year 6 children who successfully completed the Bikeability training. It was quite a tiring couple of mornings for the children but the Instructor said that they were not just very competent cyclists but extremely well mannered and superbly behaved children. Well done everyone.

