



NEWSLETTER

We have lots of exciting things planned for 2023. Keep checking our Instagram and Facebook page to see what we've been up to.

Year 3 - 6 Gymnastics

We are really pleased to have Jenny Cooper with us this term who is a gymnastics specialist that we met at the Peninsula Games. She is working on deepening the children's gymnastics skills in lessons as well as at an after school club.

Dance Platform

Lucy Everett from Dance Atikk will be doing PE with year 5 and 6 over this half-term which started today and looked like great fun! I will send a letter out to parents with more information on this.



Safer Internet Day 2023

Safer Internet Day 2023 will take place on the 7th of February 2023, with celebrations and learning based around the theme 'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'. As always, we will be doing activities with our pupils during that week; we also regularly talk about e-safety in school throughout the year. We have some e-safety advice for parents on our website <https://www.lindale.cumbria.sch.uk/e-safety-advice-parents/>

Mental Health and Wellbeing

I am pleased to share with you that Mrs Coulston has recently completed her Mental Health Lead training. Her lunchtime wellbeing club has been well-received by the children and she is ensuring that all who have asked to attend get a chance over the year. Our new web page <https://www.lindale.cumbria.sch.uk/mental-health-and-wellbeing/> details some of the things we do in school for mental health and wellbeing and also has some important links for families.

Reindeer Run

We still plan to go ahead with our Reindeer Run which was postponed last term due to the weather. With the current weather, we haven't yet put a new date in the diary. If you still have sponsor forms and money, please return to the office asap.

Strike Action

You may be concerned about the possible strike action for teachers and what this means for Lindale. We will look at the situation for our school and risk assess so that we know if any closure is required. I will let you know as soon as I am able to.

FOLS (Friends of Lindale School)

FOLS organise lots of fun events for the children (such as the Christmas Raffle, discos and movie nights) in order to raise money for school. Without FOLS, we wouldn't be able to offer all of the trips and experiences that we do. FOLS need new members. Let Mrs Wood know if you are interested in helping to raise money for school with FOLS.

I wonder...

We have a new 'I wonder...' display up in the hall and each classroom. We are encouraging our pupils to wonder about all sorts of things whether that be in lessons, at break times or out for the day with their families. It would be great if you could encourage 'I wonder' conversations at home too.

School Uniform

Please ensure all of your child's belongings are labelled with their name. Our uniform is a red sweatshirt/jumper, grey/black trousers or skirt, white shirt/blouse, with black flat school shoes/boots (not trainers).

Our Vision

Our school vision drives everything we do. Here is a reminder of our vision statement:

Let Your Light Shine

We believe that everyone is an individual, created in the image of God, who should be encouraged and nurtured in order to flourish and achieve their full potential. We want all our pupils to develop skills and enthusiasm for learning so they can thrive in every area of life. We encourage everyone to positively understand their own worth and that of others. As a small rural school, we seek to broaden our understanding of the world and become advocates for good. Our aim is to inspire our whole school family to 'walk as children of light'.

Volunteering in School

As part of our vision, we want to provide our pupils with as many opportunities as we can so that they can find new passions, develop skills and get excited about learning. We would like to invite any parents/guardians who have a skill or a passion that they can share with our pupils into school. For example, you might run a one-off after school session (supported by a member of staff) or talk to your child's class. A good example of this is when Mrs Thedham (one of our governors) brought her harp into school and played in collective worship. Let the office or your child's class teacher know if you are interested.

Year 5 and 6 Young Leaders Award

Year 5 and 6 have started their journey towards the Archbishop's Young Leaders Award which revolves around the statement *Be the change you want to see*. They will be carrying out some leadership activities over the term. See our Facebook page to see them tackle the 'cup challenge'.

Parking

Please can I remind parents not to park on the zigzags outside of school at any time including at drop off and pick up. This is for the safety of our pupils.

Dogs

If you are waiting for your child with your dog, please can you keep the gate clear as some children/adults may be nervous walking past dogs, particularly if they jump up. Thank you.

Help us to keep our area clean

A neighbour has recently commented on some litter on School Hill, particularly cigarette ends. Please help us to keep our area clean.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Curwen

PTO for dates

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Dates

Monday 23 rd January	Jenny Cooper gymnastics with KS2
Friday 27 th January	Lucy Everett dance with year 5 and 6
Monday 30 th January	Jenny Cooper gymnastics with KS2
Friday 3 rd February	Lucy Everett dance with year 5 and 6
Friday 3 rd February	NSPCC Number Day
Monday 6 th February	Jenny Cooper gymnastics with KS2
Tuesday 7 th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 8 th February	Key Steps Gymnastics Festival
Thursday 9 th February	Year 5 and 6 Water Workshop: water use, saving water, where water comes from etc.
Friday 10 th February	Lucy Everett dance with year 5 and 6
Monday 13 th February	Jenny Cooper gymnastics with KS2
Friday 17 th February	Break up for half-term
Monday 27 th February	Children return to school