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Headteacher: Mrs Helen Hepworth

25-5-18

Dear Parents

Outdoor and Adventure Day

We had a fabulous day in Keswick, on, in and by Derwentwater. As always, the children were fabulous and their behaviour was impeccable. We are very proud of them. Thank you to all the staff and helpers.



UNICEF Rights Respecting Silver Award

On Friday Martin Russell visited school to carry out our silver award accreditation. He spoke to governors, staff, parents and our wonderful children. In the afternoon children from Lazonby and Patteril Bank schools visited with their teachers and worked with our Year 5 children.

I am so pleased to tell you that we achieved a top notch silver award and are well on our way to achieving the gold award. Martin was particularly impressed by our children and their lovely manners and behaviour. Well-done to everyone involved and thank you to parents who came into school to talk to Martin.

After School Club

Mrs Dowes is taking bookings for after school club next half term. The term is seven weeks long so attendance at a club will be £10.50. We realise that people sometimes need to use the club on a one off basis. In order to make this fair, in consultation with governors, we will be charging £3 per session to provide this service (£7 if you have 3 children in your family).

Wrap around care will also be provided from 4.30pm to 5pm at an additional cost of £1.50 (with booking expected for the half term).

Our governing body have also had to make the decision (for financial reasons) that if we do not have enough interest in a club on a particular night we will not be able to provide this service from September 2018.

Monday ~ games and chess club with Sandra, Candice and Deborah

Tuesday ~ violin club with Zelda and drawing\painting club with Mrs Nelles

Wednesday ~ healthy living club with Mrs Nelles

*Thursday ~ wild about club with Miss Holmes
also on Thursday transition club will continue to run for Year 6 children ~ free of charge*

*Friday ~ football every other week with Barry ~ Year 2 to 6
tennis every other week with Sarah*

Please complete the slip below or let Mrs Dowes know by phone or email by or on Monday June 4th.

Holidays in Term Time

Currently there are a lot of families taking children out of school during term time and this is having a big impact on attendance and our ability to provide consistency in our teaching. Children who miss a few days\week of time miss blocks of teaching and new concepts\learning that is being delivered. Our normally very good attendance is dropping due to this. The Local Authority and Ofsted monitor school attendance. Whilst we appreciate that work and finance are involved in decisions to take children out of school during term time we are not permitted to authorise this (unless exceptional circumstances apply). All absences due to holiday are marked as unauthorised on your child’s attendance record and remain there throughout their time at school. You may think “well its only a few days and we don’t do it often” but, if everyone thinks that it really adds up!!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for your understanding and support for our school with this matter.

Privacy Notice

Thank you to everyone who has returned their signed privacy notice form to Mrs Dowes. This is part of the new government GDPR data regulation. We need the signed copy to evidence that we have told you about the information we hold on the children and that you understand why we and how we keep it. If you haven’t returned your form please send it in after half term.

Rice

We still have lots of lovely rice for you to buy for our send a child to school project!!!

We hope you have a happy and sunny half term break.

Yours sincerely

Helen Hepworth
Headteacher

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After School Clubs Summer 2018

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club at a total cost of £10.50.

With wrap around £21.00 (please tick)

Signed

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