

NEWSLETTER 28/2/25

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It has been a busy week with over eighty of our pupils taking part in six different sporting activities. There has been: swimming at The Sands, tennis at Chatsworth Tennis Club, a curling session at Lockerbie Ice Rink, two football matches, a netball tournament and finally three teams representing the school at gymnastics at a competition. What a busy week! School itself may be a little quieter next week as Y5/6 are on a residential visit to Liverpool. With an action-packed schedule in Liverpool, it certainly won't be quiet for them.

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day falls at the end of a busy week and we will celebrate it on Friday. As usual, we would like children to dress up for the day and we will celebrate the day in school by carrying out various reading activities. Each child will have come home with a mask today. You could come dressed as a book character who wears a mask like Darthvader or Batman. Alternatively, it could be worn as part of your costume. For example, if you came as a princess, you would colour/decorate it to match the princess costume; if you came as a wizard you might decorate it with wands, cauldrons and broomsticks or if you came as an enormous crocodile, it might be coloured green with big teeth! We don't want book day to come at any unnecessary expense so hope you will be imaginative and use your mask to match what you have already.

To add to the complications, Y1/2 will be going swimming that day. We will begin the day with an assembly to see all costumes at their best, but bear in mind that they will need to get changed out of and then back into their costume.

We hope that all children will join in with what is a fun day in school.

CARLISLE UNITED v BROMLEY – Saturday 22nd March

A separate letter has been sent to families enabling them, to take advantage of free tickets to go and watch Carlisle United v Bromley on March 22nd. See letter for more details. (Y1/2 and Reception will receive theirs early next week).

Y1/2 SWIMMING

The Y1/2 class will continue to go swimming next week. Sessions will take place at The Sands Centre from 10.15 - 11am each morning. The children have made rapid progress with 7 out of the 14 children who began with armbands at the start of the week no longer needing them.

DELANCEY CHESS COMPETITION

Our internal chess competition has concluded with 30 children taking part in 7 rounds of chess.

1st Matthew Sharp 21 points (unbeaten)

2nd Teddy Anderson 19 points

3rd Jood Eltahir 18 points

Well done to all who took part, especially Matthew Sharp who is our school chess champion this year. The next chess event will be the House Chess Matches which take place week beginning 10th March. The following week, the school will host a chess competition for nearby schools.

NETBALL

The netball team took part in a netball competition for local small schools held at Limehouse School. The team played four matches, drawing three and losing one, coming joint third overall.

FOOTBALL

The football team are in the large schools' league this year which we know will be a tough challenge. However the boys are up for it and put in creditable performances against Robert Ferguson (2-4) and Stanwix (0-6). Hopefully for our next match we will have home advantage which should suit us.

The younger players in Y3/4 will be taking part in a tournament on Thursday which Mr Travers is organising. Further details will come from him via Classlists, but I know that any help with transport would be appreciated.

The girls then have league matches after school on Monday 10th March. Details to follow.

EDEN ROCK

A team of boys and a team of girls will take part in a bouldering competition held at Eden Rock next week. See separate letter for details.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance this week has been fantastic with Y1, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 all having 100% attendance. Y5 have 99.7% attendance since Christmas but Reception are the best attenders for the year with 98.06%.

PUPIL OF THE WEEK

This week's **Pupil of the Week** is **Aurora Gow** (Y2) who not only represented school well at Curling but also has been extremely kind assisting younger children with their seatbelts on the coach going swimming.

The Mrs Vickers Kindness Cup goes to India Maxwell and Thea Clarke (Y5) who have the important job of delivering cake to the teachers on certain days. When Mr Travers was at swimming, they didn't forget about him and wrote a note saying that they'd saved him the biggest piece! India has also brought in a book on Ancient Egypt for Y3/4 to use — what a kind thought.

The **Enjoy-a-ball Trophy** goes to **Lucy Rome** (Y1) who struggled to get into the water on Monday at swimming but is now swimming like a mermaid. Also receiving a trophy was **Jood Eltahir** (Y6) for scoring in the last minute at netball to save the game.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 - 5/3/25	Y5/6 Residential to Liverpool
6/3/25	Eden Rock Bouldering Competition (Y5/6)
6/3/25	medium Schools Football Competition, Harraby
7/3/25	House Reading Competition and World Book Day
10 - 12/3/25	House Chess (Lunchtimes)
10/3/25	Book Bus to visit
10/3/25	Tree Planting with RAISE in Cummersdale
10/3/25	Y5/6 Girls' Football League Fixtures, Harraby (3.35pm)
11/3/25	Governors Meeting
14/3/25	Jo Coates (Artist) to work with Y3/4 and Y5/6
18/3/25	Rural South Carlisle Chess Competition
19/3/25	Y3/4 Girls Football, Harraby (am)
19/3/25	NSPCC Workshop: Y2 & Y5/6
20/3/25	A.I.M. High Poetry Day for Y3/4
22/3/25	School Visit to Carlisle United v Bromley
24/3/25	Y5/6 Boys Football League Fixtures, Harraby (3.35pm)
26/3/25	Parents Evening
27/3/25	Y5/6 Netball Tournament: Trinity
1/4/25	CSSA Swimming Gala - The Sands (am)
4/4/25	Y1/2 Class Assembly (2.30pm)
4/4/25	End of Term