

Newsletter





St Mary's Church of England School, Kirkby Lonsdale

Dear Parents and Families of our School Community

I would like to thank all of the children who have represented school in some way this week. I am always impressed with the enthusiasm and commitment many of our children show when taking part in events within and outwith school.



This week our Head and Deputy Boys and Girls represented school at The South Lakes Pupil Parliament. At this event children join together with other representatives from 17 local schools to debate issues and come together to make a difference.

The event is held at the Netherwood Hotel and includes a whole range of workshops and visitors. This week Rachael Dodgson, Education officer for The Houses of Parliament came from London to explore a whole range of issues.

Last week our Year 5 and 6 children took part in the level one indoor athletics with one team qualifying for the area level two competition. The event took place this week at Kendal Leisure Centre competing against various other schools in the South Lakes. The teams had some good individual team wins and places and ultimately came 6th place. The team worked ever so hard against some very challenging competition! Well done to everyone who took part.



We also managed to send a group of girls to a hockey master class this week at Casterton. The event was hosted by Mark Shopland, Sedbergh School's Director of Hockey.



In a very busy week we also took time out to listen to Rev. Snow discuss Ash Wednesday. He demonstrated with some of the staff and children, the act of placing ash on foreheads. Prior to this on Shrove Tuesday we had pancake making in some classes and in assembly time. As you will have received this week, we have



also decided to try some positive acts of kindness during Lent. We hope you have fun doing these at home as well as the children in school.

We are looking forward to science week next week and I hope the children have an exciting learning experience!

Have a lovely weekend

Mr Jones



4 BIG MUFTI DAYS – coming up

Mon 11th MARCH Science Mufti - Theme: What you want to be when you grow up.



FRI 15th MARCH Wear RED You can buy red noses from the office



THUR 21st MARCH ODD SOCKS DAY Donate if you can, on the day



FRI 29th MARCH Wear colours of the Kenyan Flag - donate of you can



Red Nose Day

We will be selling some Red Noses on the day but your children can donate money if they wish to this charity. We may not have enough red noses for all children and we are asking that children only purchase one. The cost is £1.25. Children and staff are wearing red on this day.

Dates for the Diary

Mon 1	1 th March	Science Week Begins – Journeys MUFTI DAY
		Reception Class - Greenlands Farm Visit
Thurs 1	4 th March	Cricket Clinic invited Year 5/6 pupils
Fri 1	5 th March	RED NOSE DAY
		Chair of Governors Day (Jo Gill visiting all day)
		Yr N and Yr R Growing Morning
Thur 2	1 st March	Down Syndrome Awareness Day = ODD SOCKS
		Year 5 Walby Park Farm Visit
Tues 2	6 th March	Year 2 SATS talk after school (3:30pm)
Fri 2	9 th March	KENYA DAY
		PTA Disco Night
Thur 4	th April	Music Concert (am) at Church
		Art Day (all classes)
Fri 5	th April	Lent Term Ends – Easter Break Begins
Tues 2	3rd April	Summer Term begins



Honesty Trust Responsibility Perseverance Respect

French Club

Mrs Neale has kindly begun to explore the possibility of starting a paid French Club after Easter working with staff and students from QES. If you think you would like to take part we are gauging interest in the club over the next few weeks so that we can contact QES colleagues with realistic numbers for the club. If you would like to express interest – please contact Mrs Neale as soon as possible (Tues-Thurs).

Traidcraft Stall

This week Mrs Neale held her termly stall with the support of Beth, Charlotte, Freya and Mary from Year 6 and Mrs. McCandlish. We really want to say a very big thank you to everyone who purchased items raising £170 for the stall.

Cricket Training and Club

Jonathon Osborne is coaching cricket in school working with various classes and offering a club for Year 5 and 6 children. In this picture the Year 5 children and Mr Yates are showing off their skills!



Request - Can you help?

After School Club are looking for old sheets for den building as well as old paint brushes and rollers. All donations gratefully received.

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