# St. Mary's

# Church of England Primary School Kirkby Lonsdale







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I hope this letter finds you well, and that the week has been as enriching and exciting for your children as it has been for us here at the school. It's been a bustling week filled with captivating events and initiatives that I'm eager to share with you.

Our Open Day for new starters in the Nursery and Reception Class for September **2024** made for a busy morning. We were thrilled that Zoobidoo joined us, bringing along a delightful menagerie of animals. This was an excellent opportunity for our new joiners to familiarise themselves with the school environment and, of course, to make some furry friends.

Applications for families living in **Cumbria**, **Yorkshire or Lancashire** should apply through the different admissions websites below:

https://www.northyorks.gov.uk/education-and-learning/school-admissions/startingprimary-school-and-junior-school

https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/apply-for-aschool-place/starting-primary-school/

https://legacy.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/childrensservices/schoolsandlearning/l ss/applyforaninfantorprimaryschoolplaceforsept2017/startingschoolinseptember2019 .asp

We have been told that there is lower than normal birth rate in the South and North Lakes this year, so please do encourage anyone in the area to apply. The links for Yorkshire and Lancashire as well as Cumbria are above.

In the realm of sports, the commencement of our Cross Country Club on Wednesdays for our Junior students has been a great success. This club aims to prepare our children for the upcoming Area Competitions in January. The dedication and enthusiasm of our young athletes are truly commendable as they train and strive towards representing the school in these competitive events. We hope they will bring (and then take home) spare clothing/footwear for the training.

As we approach Remembrance Day, our students have been delving into poignant art projects to honour and reflect on the significance of this day. The art they're preparing is not only an expression of creativity but also a heartfelt tribute to those who have sacrificed so much for our freedoms. It's been heartening to witness the depth of thought and empathy displayed by our students during these activities.

Lastly, I'm excited to inform you about the upcoming **Doodle Maths challenge** for all our children (YR-6). Starting next week, this challenge will offer an engaging way for our students to further develop their mathematical skills. Each day will present a new opportunity for them to participate and hone their mathematical prowess through this















fun and interactive platform. Those making the most effort will be joining Mr Jones for **Hot Chocolate on Friday!** 

We appreciate your ongoing support and involvement in your child's education and the life of the school. Your partnership with us in fostering a nurturing and inspiring environment for our students is invaluable. As always, your encouragement and engagement continue to make a significant difference in the journey of our young learners.

Thank you to all of the members and supporters of our **PTA** who have planned film night this week. They have appreciated you returning forms quickly so that they can prepare the right amount of food this morning.

Thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. Wishing you a wonderful week ahead!

Warm regards,

Mr Jones



Register your place at witherslackgroup.co.uk/steps-to-diagnosis



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#### **School Dinners**

Often like the systems in Secondary Schools, you will be aware that we are now asking parents to pay ahead of booking lunches on your accounts. This is a change that families are getting used to and I hope that parents will hopefully, get into a routine of prepaying to avoid staff calling to clarify whether you want your child to have a lunch or not. Thank you for your understanding as you make this subtle change.

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### **Kendal Snowsports HAF Event 2023**

Join us this Christmas on Kendal Dry Ski Slope for 90 minutes ski time and a barbeque lunch

You can do it!

Beginner Lessons Fully Funded for children (7-16) on Free School Meals and some other categories—please enquire Limited Self-funded places £20

Dates: December 20th, 21st and 28th, morning and afternoon sessions Book all days or just one











For more activities search "Cumbria Holiday Activities and food



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