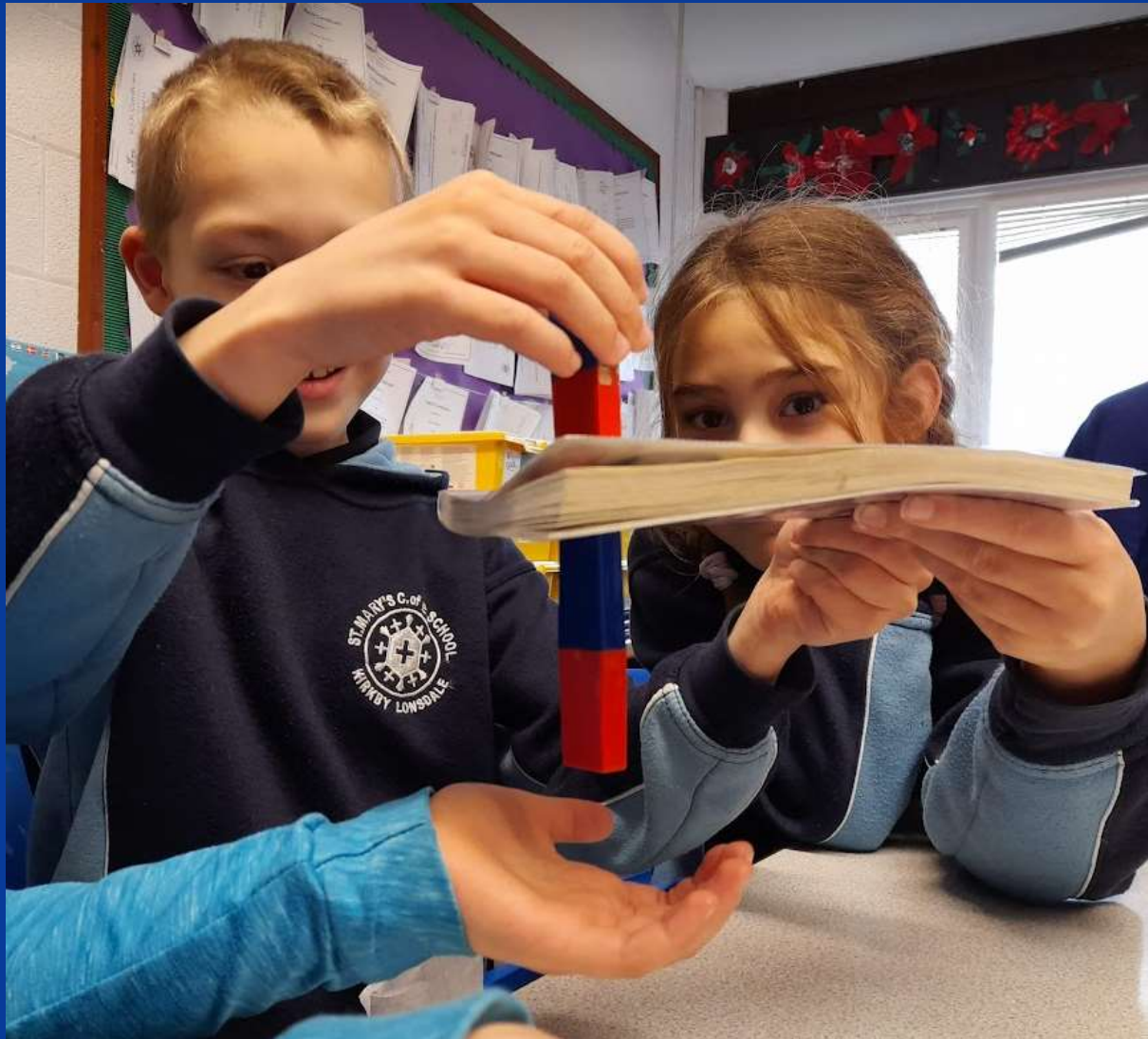


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Church of England Primary School
Kirkby Lonsdale



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Dear Parents and Guardians,



I hope this letter finds you well and filled with excitement for the past week at St Mary's. As we geared up for an enriching experience, I was thrilled to announce the recently concluded Science Week, where all classes delved into the wonders of science!

Our school was buzzing with experiments, discoveries, and hands-on learning experiences. Science Week was a time for our students to explore the marvels of the scientific world, encouraging curiosity, critical thinking, and a passion for discovery.

Throughout the week, every class was actively engaged in specially designed science lessons tailored to their age and grade level. Our dedicated teachers had prepared a variety of engaging activities, experiments, and demonstrations to ignite the spark of scientific inquiry in our students.

But that wasn't all – thank you for coming to our school at the end of Friday to see various experiments taking place and seeing some of the children's work. Your presence in the classroom undoubtedly made a significant impact on your child's educational journey. It was a fantastic opportunity to witness first-hand the incredible strides our students were making and to bond over the joy of discovery.

Because we have had a focus on Science this week we haven't focused on Red Nose Day. However, next week is Neuro Diversity week and we are encouraging children to **wear odd socks next Friday to celebrate difference.**



Thank you to Mrs Gaunt for her energy and enthusiasm as Science Lead, encouraging everyone to think scientifically.

Can I also say a huge well done to Year 5 who have started the week with the Climbing Wall at Ingleton and then at Walby Farm Park on Thursday.

We are starting to think about Easter with two weeks to go until we break up.

Today, we have been so pleased to send our children to Pupil Parliament to represent our school and they will work closely with other representatives from schools in the South Lakes.

What an exciting week!

Kindest regards

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OUTSTANDING

Year 4 Swimming – coming to an end

This term, Year 4 have had an intensive series of swimming lessons. Swimming lessons for children are essential for ensuring their safety in and around water, reducing the risk of drowning incidents. Learning to swim promotes physical well-being and fosters confidence, enabling children to enjoy water-based activities during holidays and outings with friends. By acquiring this vital life skill, children open doors to a lifetime of aquatic enjoyment while prioritizing their safety and overall well-being.

On Wednesday, we are asking all Year 4 children to swim on Wednesday, taking part in an inter-house swimming gala and encouraging everyone to bring an extra t shirt and towel. Please arrive on time and if possible early. We will be setting off early to ensure we transport everyone early to maximise the time we have in the pool.

Year 3 Swimming – about to begin

Next term we are going to be taking Year 3 to the swimming pool. We will be inviting parents to let us know about your children's swimming experience very soon and we look forward to preparing for swimming lessons on Wednesdays after the Easter break.

More information will be coming very soon.



EASTER INTENSIVE SWIMMING LESSONS
Capernwray Hall Near Carnforth LA6 1AG
Monday 8th April – Thursday 11th April
1 x 25 minute session each day, between 4.00pm – 6.00pm
£32.00 for the 4 days.
More intensives in May, July and August
All levels and abilities catered for from 3 years of age and above with teachers in the water for non swimmers, beginners and improvers where needed. Nationally recognised teaching plans to national awards standards.

For further information or booking forms please contact:
Lorna Carter on 07976 553878
e-mail: lorna@madaboutswimming.co.uk

Here is a promotion for all parents about a swimming opportunity in our area. This may help you build on recent school lessons or provide a helpful start if your child is about to undertake lessons.

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E-School Nurse Video Clinics

(By appointment only)



Twice weekly **online health support and advice for parents, carers and professionals who are supporting children and young people aged 5-19 years old.**

Tuesday and Thursday

You will be able to talk to the nurse over a live video link using [Attend Anywhere](#). The link is private, secure, confidential and convenient.

In consultation with you, the nurse will assess the child or young person's health problem and provide you with the support and advice needed.

For more information on the **E-School Nurse video clinic** please read the information leaflet or visit:
www.cumbria.gov.uk/ph5to19

You can telephone for an appointment
01228 603973 Mon-Fri 8-4pm



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Save the Date

Monday 18th March

Experience Easter starts for two days at Church

Tuesday 19th March

Year 3 Wildlife Oasis Visit

Nursery visit days start for new starters

Friday 22nd March

PTA BINGO

Monday 25th March

Reception Class Farm Trip

Thursday 28th March



Easter Music Concert 10-11am



Parent and Family Class Visit 11-12noon

A chance to see your child's work and talk to them in class about their learning. Parents and Family all welcome.

End of Term (1pm)



Please note we have an INSET day on **Monday 15th April**

Summer term starts on Tuesday 16th April.

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Supporting Young Enterprise 18th March – please support

Pupils from QES are taking part in an Enterprise Challenge and we would like to support them in their enterprise. They will be joining us to try to sell **Disney Inspired Recipe Cards** to encourage children to bake at home. We may try some at school too!



On **Monday 18th** at the beginning and end of the day, the enterprise team will be selling their recipe cards for 5 cards for £3.50 in the school yard. Their aim is to educate and inspire young children on how to cook in a fun and easy method that fits in with today's busy modern lifestyle.

If you would like to support them, please bring some money along on the Monday.

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