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St. Mary's

Church of England Primary School
Kirkby Lonsdale



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Dates Summary September:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16 Photos YN-2	17 Photos Y3-6	18	19 Y5/6 Leadership Day	20 Y5/6 Leadership Day
23	24	25 Zoobidoo Visit Y1 PTA AGM	26 Languages Day Governor Meeting (pm)	27

Dear Parents,

We wanted to take a moment to express our sincere gratitude for your continued support and positive attitude as we all adjust to using the Arbor App and settle into the new school year. Your enthusiasm and willingness to embrace new ways of communicating and accessing information have made a significant difference.

We're also excited to encourage your children to utilise the fantastic online math resources/apps available to them: One Minute Maths (N-Y1), Doodle Maths (Y1-6), and TT Rockstars (Y3-6). These engaging programs are designed to enhance your child's math fluency and basic skills in a fun and interactive way.

We've observed a noticeable improvement in progress rates among children who regularly use these resources, especially those who may find math challenging. These tools are not just for children who love maths; they are beneficial for all pupils.

By incorporating these resources into your child's learning routine, you can help them develop a strong foundation in maths and foster a positive attitude towards the subject.

It was a pleasure to take our children to the Westmorland County Show which proved to be a great day. I am also looking forward to the overnight stay for Year 5 and 6 coming up – the days prove to be very helpful in bonding at the beginning of the year.

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Photo Days 16/17th Sept



Monday 16th September Siblings at 8:30am and then N-Y2

Tuesday 17th September Year 3 – 6

Flu Vaccinations Code

Thank you for your understanding as we move forward to the NHS new system for permissions for the annual vaccinations. If you need our school code to login, this has been sent in your Arbor messages. The Code is : **CM112323**

European Languages Day 26th September (Mufti Day)

To celebrate European Languages Day we have decided to totally focus on the language we teach in school – **French**. On this day children will have an opportunity to explore French through lessons and songs. We are encouraging everyone to dress up in red white and blue on this day to reflect the French Flag. Some classes may be exploring food as well as learning about France in general.

Young Voices



Thank you for your interest in taking part in Young Voices. Apologies if you didn't manage to get in as we can only take 85 children (which is a significant amount). It is wonderful to see so many people interested in taking part. I am sure that Mrs Hackett will keep you in touch with anything you need to know and how to purchase t shirts and book adult tickets etc. We are looking forward to February!

Bags to School – PTA



Please start collecting clothing items if you are having a clear out, or sorting clothes, the PTA will be sending bags next week with collection dates information etc.

PTA AGM – ALL WELCOME

PTA AGM Wednesday 25th September 6:30pm, in the school hall.

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You might be aware that we have four music teachers who teach music lessons each week.

This week, Mr Giudici demonstrated the clarinet and saxophone to Year 4-6 and he will be offering a taster 10 for pupils seriously interested in exploring trying one of these instruments.

The aim is to engage children and their parents in a conversation about the possibility of taking music lessons in either clarinet or saxophone. We have been so proud of our children who have taken up these instruments and who have continued playing at secondary school. Please get in touch with the school office this week if you would like to contact Mr Giudici and explore the costs and possibility of starting lessons.



Jane Lawrence
Tuesday
Piano



Marco Giudici
Friday
Woodwind



Rob Mason
Friday
Guitar



Adele Kilip
Thursday
Violin and Piano

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