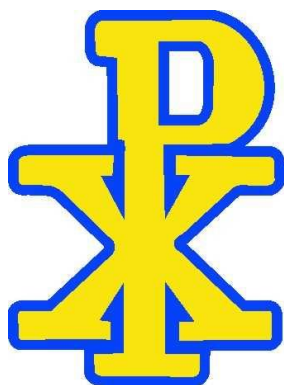


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Friday, 21st September 2018

<h3>Key Dates</h3> <p>23 Sept – Gala (CANCELLED) 25 Sept – Cafod Assembly 28 Sept – Y5 & Y2 Mass @ School 28 Sept – MacMillan Coffee Morning @ 10:30-11.30 28 Sept – Celebration Assembly @ 2.45 28 Sept – Race Night @ 6.30 28 Sept – Parental Survey Open Online 28 Sept – Nursery Application Deadline 3 Oct – Harvest assembly @ 9 4 Oct – National Poetry Day 5 Oct – Parental Survey Closes 7 Oct –Nursery & Reception Welcome Mass 10 Oct – Y6 Low Sizergh Farm 10 Oct – Y6 London Talk @ 3.30 10 Oct – Y5 Coniston Talk @ 3.30 12 Oct – Y3 & Y4 Mass @ School 12 Oct – Open Afternoon for prospective pupils @ 1.30 – 3.00pm. 19 Oct – Y4 Mass @ Church</p> <p>Red = added or altered since previous newsletter Strike out = cancelled</p>	<h3>Extra-Curricular Clubs</h3> <p>Mon -Limitless Dance (Rec-Y2) -School Council 12.30-1 Tues -Art (Rec-Y2) 10 max. -Craft (Y3&4) 10 max. -Lego (Y3-6) 12-12.30 -Reading (Y6 Group) -Mathematics (Y6 Group x 2) -Gymnastics (Y1-2) Wed -Football (Y3-6) -Netball (Y4-6) -Band (Y4-6) -Drama (Y3&4) 12.30-1 -Instrument (1:1) 12-12.20 -Instrument (Y4-Y6) 12.20-1 Thurs -Choir (Y3-6) 12.30-1 -STEM (Y3-6) 10 max. -St Bernard’s Hockey (Y3-6 invitation) Fri -NO CLUBS</p> <h3>School Lunch Menu</h3> <p>Week 1</p>	<h3>VIPs</h3> <p>Rec – Violet Y1 – Leo Y2 – Ava Y3 – Alicia-Grace Y4 – Ewan Y5 – Jacob Y6 – Laicie</p> <h3>Marvellous Merit</h3> <p>Mr McGoldrick’s Marvellous Merit Kalvyn (Rec)</p> <h3>House Champions</h3> <p>This week’s house champions are St George’s St P= 1, St A=0, St G=1, St D=0</p> <h3>Attendance</h3> <table><tr><td>Reception</td><td>100.0</td></tr><tr><td>Year 1</td><td>96.3</td></tr><tr><td>Year 2</td><td>95.56</td></tr><tr><td>Year 3</td><td>93.33</td></tr><tr><td>Year 4</td><td>92.5</td></tr><tr><td>Year 5</td><td>96.93</td></tr><tr><td>Year 6</td><td>94.0</td></tr><tr><td>Whole School</td><td>95.53</td></tr></table>	Reception	100.0	Year 1	96.3	Year 2	95.56	Year 3	93.33	Year 4	92.5	Year 5	96.93	Year 6	94.0	Whole School	95.53
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Letters/messages sent home this week:

- Wednesday Word
- Photographs

Race Night

The Race Night will be held in our School Hall on **Friday 28th September** and the first race starts at 6.30pm. Tickets are on sale at School Office. Tickets cost £5 each which includes a pie and pea supper. Bring your own drink – a cheap night!

Nursery & Reception Welcome Mass

There will be a Mass to welcome Nursery & Reception to our school and parish. This will take place at St Mary's Church, Duke Street, on **Sunday 7th October at 11am**. All welcome.

Gala

The Gala has been cancelled.

Nursery & Reception Places and Applications

Please note the closing date our January Nursery intake is **Friday 28th September**. Please remember children are eligible for a Nursery place the term after they turn 3 years old. The closing date for our Reception intake is **Tuesday 15th January**. Parents who have children in Nursery **must** complete a Reception place application form. Nursery forms should be completed and handed to the School Office and Reception forms can either be handed to the School Office or submitted online. There is an Open Afternoon on **Friday 12th October from 1pm until 3pm** – please spread the word.

Boxes of Hope

We will once again be taking part in the Boxes of Hope shoebox campaign. For more information please visit www.boxesofhopecumbria.co.uk. There will be an assembly for the children next week. Following the assembly, leaflets will be sent home with the children. Boxes will be collected from school the week beginning **Monday 12th November**.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

We will be hosting a MacMillan Coffee Morning on **Friday 28th September** from 10.30am, straight after Mass, and will finish at 11.30am. Visitors are welcome to attend. Children can bring 50p maximum to spend on cakes at break time. The cake sale will run in place of the tuckshop. Any left-over cakes will be sold after school, in the playground. We are asking for cake donations to be brought in on the day.

Guitar Club

We are hoping to start a lunchtime guitar club for children in the junior run by James from Cumbria Music Service. There will be a small charge for this. If you are interested, please put your child's name down at the School Office.

Year 6 London & Year 5 Coniston Water Park Residentials

We will be holding information talks regarding the Year 5 and Year 6 residentials on **Wednesday 10th October from 3.30pm**. These will take place in the Year 5 and Year 6 classrooms.

Year 4 Manchester Trip

This year we planned for our Year 4s to go on the same trip as last year's cohort – a trip to Manchester including; the chill factore, meal and theatre. The cost is coming in a little more expensive than last year, due to a smaller cohort of children (20 compared to 28 last year). Therefore, the cost of the trip is higher. The total cost of the trip is £73.50. The school will subsidise the cost by £25, using Sports Funding, bringing it down to £47.50. We appreciate this is still expensive. If you think this is too expensive please contact Mr McGoldrick and we will look for an alternative trip.

Parent Voice

This year's Parent Voice meetings will be held termly. The first meeting will be held on **Monday 29th October at 5.30pm**. If you would like anything adding to the agenda please contact Mr McGoldrick.

Backpacks

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 **do not** need to bring backpacks to school. They only need to bring their book bags (clear wallets provided by school), water bottles and lunch boxes. We simply don't have space for backpacks in the classroom. If you wish, you can purchase a small fabric book bag from the School Office for £4. Book bags are sold on first come first served basis. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Year 1 Teacher

Miss Harrison will be teaching Year 1 on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon.

Teacher on Duty

There will be a teacher on duty in the playground from 8.45am each morning. Children are discouraged from arriving any earlier than this due to no supervision. The teacher on duty will stand next to the new wooden gate.

Summer Reading Challenge Winners

We had the most children take part in the Summer Reading Challenge within the Barrow area. This is a fantastic achievement - well done children! We are waiting to hear who the winning school from the whole of Cumbria is. Fingers crossed.

Bag 2 School

There will be a Bag2School collection on **Tuesday 6th November**. Please get sorting out your wardrobes. Further details to follow.

Harvest

Reminder: We will be holding a Harvest assembly on Wednesday 3rd October at 9am – all welcome. The assembly will be led by Fr Manny. To coincide with our Harvest assembly we are once again be asking for donations for the foodbank. Please see a list of items below.

- Breakfast cereals
- Soup
- Pasta
- Rice
- Pasta sauce/tomatoes
- ~~Tinned beans~~
- Tinned meat
- Tinned fish
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned fruit
- Potatoes/instant mash
- Tea or coffee
- Rice pudding
- Sponge puddings
- Sugar
- Biscuits
- UHT/long life fruit juice
- UHT milk full cream or semi-skimmed
- Snacks

Lotto

Reminder: Lotto numbers are now available at the school office for £2 per number for October's draw.