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Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new term and a new year. It has been lovely for us to catch up. We wish Faye B lots of luck as she moves away. We will miss her but she has promised to come back and see us when she is next in the area.

We welcome to school Aaron in Year 4 and Hartley in Year 1. I know you will take time to say hello to them and their parents so they can feel part of our fantastic community straight away.

Wheelchair Basketball

Nat visited at the end of last term to introduce us to the exciting sport of wheelchair basketball. He is a champion and has coached everyone in school today. He brought enough wheelchairs for a year group. We all enjoyed it, especially the staff. What a great start to the new term!

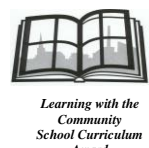
Maths Information Event

As mentioned in the letter before the end of term, we will be holding a maths evening tomorrow after school. This is for all families in school. We will explain what the maths curriculum looks like and how we teach it right across school. Our focus tomorrow is number. After a quick introduction in the Maths Zone, you can visit the Top Room to find out about Year 2 and 3 maths, the Big Classroom to find out about Year Reception and 1 maths and the Maths Zone for Year 4, 5 and 6 maths. After 15 minutes you can stay and have a go with some of the resources or swap to another room (handy if you have children in more than one class). Then we will meet back in the Maths Zone to feedback and find out if you would like another event and if so, what you would like to find out about then. The event begins at 3.35pm and will finish between 4.35 and 4.45pm. Miss Holmes and Mrs Glover will be available to look after children (including little brothers and sisters) during the event. Please try to come along to find out more about how great maths is and how you can help your child to learn at home.

Airport Visit

As part of our Design and Technology vehicles focus, Year 2 and 3 will be visiting Carlisle Airport on Tuesday January 14th. We will leave school at 9.00am, travelling by bus to the airport and returning in time for lunch. Mrs Wylie, Miss Holmes and I will accompany the children with our school governor Mrs Stuart and volunteer, Mrs Scourfield. I do need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £3 to help to pay towards the cost of the bus. This will cover 50% of the travel costs. Thank you so much to our brilliant PTFA for supporting us to pay the other 50%. Please complete the slip below if your child is in Year 2\3 and return it school with payment by January 13th. Thank you.

This letter is also available on the website



Hockey

Hockey begins on Wednesday afternoon with coach, Lucy. Year 4 and 5 will have the first coaching session, followed by Year 2 and 3. These sessions will take place every Wednesday until half term. Please make sure your child has their full PE kit in school (as always) with warm and waterproof clothes and trainers. Please write your child's name in all equipment. We have permanent markers in school if you would like to borrow one. If we find unnamed clothing we will write your child's name in it.

School of the Week

We hope you managed to see the article about school on December 23rd, written by our own children in school. We have a copy of the article which will be available on our fabulous new school website from tomorrow afternoon.

We also have some lovely photographs from our winter woodland adventure on the website. We hope you will have a look at them.

Plans for Spring Term

We will send home plans for this term in the next week. These plans will also be available on the school website.

After School Clubs

After school clubs will run as last term, but Julie will not be able to deliver cycling club every week as she has other commitments. Cycling club will begin on Monday 27th January but, won't be on the following Monday, 3rd February, and then will carry on until the end of term!

On the other Mondays construction club will be available instead, with additional K'nex.

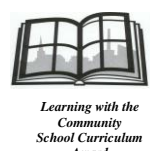
If your child wants to attend every Monday please book the whole half term. Alternatively you can pay for and book just the cycling clubs. The rest of the clubs need to be booked for the whole half term. Please see the slip below and let Mrs Dowes know which clubs your child will be attending.

See you at the maths event tomorrow.

Yours sincerely,

Helen Hepworth
Head teacher

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Name

I would like my child/children to attend club on the sessions indicated below and have attached the relevant payment.

Day		After school club	Wrap around until 5pm
Monday	Year 6 Transition club ~ free		
	Cycling club Year Reception to 5 ~ £1.50 per session		
Tuesday	Games club ~ £1.50 per session ~ half term cost in total £9		
Wednesday	Craft club ~ £1.50 per session ~ half term cost in total £9		
Thursday	Healthy living club ~ £1 per session ~ half term cost £6		
Friday	Football club ~ £1 per session half term cost £3		
	Smart moves club ~ £1 per session ~ half term cost £6		

Year 2/3 parents only

I enclose £3 to supplement the cost of the Carlisle Airport Visit on Tuesday 14th January

Name of child/children

Signed

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