



## March & April Newsletter 2026

Dear Parents,

I hope you all enjoyed the half-term break. Please note that this month's newsletter also covers April due to the Easter break.

**Y4 Staff Change** We are delighted that Mrs Henderson will be returning from maternity leave on Monday 23rd March. She will be teaching 4C along with Mr Connell.

**School Emails** please can you check your junk/spam inbox for any school emails and make a 'safe sender'. We are aware that some parents have experienced emails going into junk boxes.

**Cleaning Vacancies** we have two cleaning positions in school. If you or you know of anyone interested please ask at the school office or check the Furness Education Trust website.

**World Book Day** will take place next week on Thursday 5th March. This year children can come to school dressed as a book character, in their pyjamas or non-uniform. The children will be involved in different activities throughout the day and will receive a £1 Book token which can be exchanged for a World Book Day Special or can be put towards the cost of a book. The vouchers are accepted at book stores and supermarkets or can be saved to use at our book fair.

**Resin Animal Collectables** unfortunately due to a number of incidents where children are losing or falling out over swapping we have made the decision to not allow these in school. This is taking so much teacher time sorting out unnecessary incidents during the school day.

**Victoria Value** for this half term is **Teamwork**. Our assembly themes will be based around this alongside our PSHE teaching and other aspects of our curriculum subjects.

**Parent Evenings** take place later this month (see diary dates). The online booking system will be used to book an appointment, details will be sent nearer the time. This is an important opportunity to discuss your child's attainment and progress.

**Mother's Day Messages** we will be producing our own Mother's Day Messages Souvenir Booklet which can be purchased for a small fee with all funds going towards our PTA fund.

**PTA Thank you!** The Valentine's Disco raised a brilliant £487-40 thank you for all of your support. We are currently in the process of looking at some new equipment for the playground with the children.

**Comic Relief/World Down Syndrome Day** is Friday 20th March, we will be wearing non-uniform or something red, wearing odd socks and contributing £1

for this. We will also be having a cake sale so children can bring some money for a cake too. Any cake donations will be welcome on this day.

**Y6 SATs Tests** avoid any medical appointments and absences during Y6 SATs week 11th-15th May.

**Uniform** a reminder that jewellery is not to be worn in school. Only one pair of studs can be worn and must be able to be removed for PE and swimming. No bracelets and necklaces should be worn. We have high expectations for our uniform standards and do pride ourselves in how smart our children do look.

**Easter Competition** We will again be holding our decorated egg and Easter bonnet competition. All entries are to be in school by Wednesday 25th March to allow for judging and presentation of prizes. This year's categories and themes are:

**Year 3: Animals & Nature**

**Year 4: Sport & Hobbies**

**Year 5: Victoria Academy**

**Year 6: Celebrities & Films**

The decorated bonnet can be any theme and is open to all ages.

Thank you for your continued support!

*Mrs Pierce*

Headteacher

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### March Diary Dates

- ☉ Mon 2nd Y3/4 Netball Festival, Furness Academy
- ☉ Tues 3rd Y5/6 Netball Festival. Furness Academy
- ☉ Thurs 5th World Book Day
- ☉ Fri 6th Y4 Electricity Workshop
- ☉ Fri 6th Key Steps Gymnastics Competition
- ☉ Wk Beg 9th Science Week
- ☉ Tues 10th Y5 Wheelchair Rugby Sessions
- ☉ Wed 11th Y5/6 Netball Competition, Furness Academy
- ☉ Thurs 12th Science Show
- ☉ Thurs 12th Y5 Fitness transition Session, Furness Academy
- ☉ Fri 13th—Thurs 19th Book Fair
- ☉ Tues 17th Y3/4 Netball Competition, Furness Academy
- ☉ Thurs 19th Utilita North Regional Football Finals
- ☉ Fri 20th Red Nose Day/Down Syndrome Day
- ☉ Tues 24th Y6 Football Competition, Furness Academy
- ☉ Tues 24th & Wed 25th Parent's Evening 3:30-6pm
- ☉ Wed 25th Decorated Egg/ Bonnet Competition
- ☉ Thurs 26th Work of the Month Y3/4 8:55am Y5/6 3:00pm
- ☉ Thurs 19th Y3/4 Mixed Football County Qualifiers
- ☉ Thurs 26th 3C Last Swimming
- ☉ Thurs 26th Y3/4 County Cup Qualifiers
- ☉ Fri 27th Break for Easter 1:30pm

### April Diary Dates

- ☉ Mon 13th Return to School
- ☉ Tues 14th Y5 Football Festival, Furness Academy
- ☉ Wed 15th Girls Football Festival
- ☉ Thurs 16th Swimming Starts 3T
- ☉ Tues 21st Class Photographs, Tempest