



15th March 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

We've had such a successful week at school this week and I am so proud of my staff team in supporting all these successes.

You will have seen in an earlier post that our case study for our Phonics' project has been published and shared across Sellafield and all the other schools in Cumbria. This is testament to the hard work and team attitude of each and every member of staff and that is because your children are simply the best children to work with. They are so keen to learn and so grateful for all the support we can give them – and they make so much progress.

We have also celebrated Mrs Allen's success in passing her NPQ at an award's ceremony on Thursday evening. **Well done Mrs Allen!** We absolutely encourage all our staff to work on qualifications to better themselves and their knowledge.

Following on from the successful Employability Course which is being run by INSPIRA, we have a meeting with Lakes College who are looking to support parents and other members of the community to achieve qualifications in school which is just amazing.

We also have Emma Thompson, who is Cumberland's Senior Manager Community Safety and Resilience. She came to look round Northside last week and absolutely loved meeting all the children. She is really keen to support at school in hearing readers each week.

We have our 0-3 club, starting next week on Wednesday 20th May from 2-3 pm, which has been funded by the local authority via a bid. Thank you to Lynsey Crosthwaite for organising the agencies who are supporting us and Carole Tubman for providing information about how to apply for the bid. We would love to see you and your little people at the group! Miss Gibson is taking the lead in organising the equipment and the club in school. Thank you to Miss Gibson!

We have interviews next week where we are seeking a member of staff to join our fantastic team as a Teaching Assistant. We have had a strong field of applications and Mrs. Brierley, Executive Head, who supported the school prior to my Headship over two years ago, will be coming across to manage the interviews with me.

Shirley Murphy from Copeland ASD and her support workers have loved working with parents and carers at Northside in the Disability Club which meets fortnightly and she is keen that this should continue after the Easter holidays.

I am just simply blown away by the level of support offered by the community towards us at Northside which supports all the amazing children we have at school.

Kind regards,

Mrs. McDowell

■ **NURSERY PLACES AT NORTHSIDE** ■

Is your child 3 years old or turning 3 really soon?

Then why not come for a look around our excellent Early Years area.

We offer 15 hours free early education, (30 hours if you are eligible)
Our school is a friendly & engaging learning environment, with lovely staff!

Please give us a call on **01900 62255** – We would love to meet you!



Headteacher: V McDowell

Attendance Heroes

Well done to this week's attendance heroes.

Class 2 – Year 1 & 2

have the highest attendance this week.

This week's attendance

Class 1: 95.56%

Class 2: 97.27%

Class 3: 93.33%

Class 4: 96.84%

Whole school: 95.76%

National benchmark: 94.4%



Attendance at school is the most important factor in achieving your potential.

Every school day and lesson count!

100% Attendance this week

Well done to the **67** children who have 100% attendance this week

This is absolutely brilliant!

grace franki grayson
 amani misty arriella joanna
 bonnie myles riley kadie addisonf
 slater ella leo delilah boe
 emeliah alex delilah boe
 olivia flo rogan aurelia savannah
 abella tanisha
 cole bella reggiej tai reggiea lydia
 lilly jayden

deon huntermc mikey
 lexie desire louisa
 jj milan oliverd rio
 thomas lacie lily
 aaliyah kara shy tommy
 archie mia kane mckenzie
 aleisha maxine skylar
 aria junior olivermc
 lilymai

Upcoming dates

20th March

0-3 Toddler Group starts, 2-3pm

22nd March

Year 5 & 6 Bag Packing, Asda

26th March

Trip to Stockwood (Nursery & Reception)

28th March

School finishes at 3:15pm for Easter holidays

16th April

School reopens at 8:35am

13th – 17th May

SATS Week

20th May

KS2 Swimming all week (Year 3, 4, 5 & 6)

24th May

School finishes at 3:15pm for half term

3rd June

School reopens at 8:35am

18th June

Wheelchair Rugby (Whole School)

21st June

OddSocks Performance, Curwen Hall (KS2)

3rd – 5th July

Class 4 City Break Residential To York

19th July

School finishes at 3:15pm for summer!

PE Days are Monday & Thursday for all children.

PE kits must be brought to school

Our PE kit is white t-shirt, black bottoms and trainers

Reading Books/Bags

Children must bring their reading books to school every day

★ STARS OF THE WEEK ★

Well done to the children who were awarded with certificates this week! 🏆 🖐️





♥ 🌈 0-3 TODDLER GROUP 🌈 ♥

📅 Every Wednesday, starting Wednesday 20th March 2024

🕒 2pm - 3pm

☺ Everyone is welcome, for a cuppa, chat and play, free of charge

Our 0-3 club is open to ANY child from birth to 3 years old. This includes children who attend our morning nursery sessions 😊

FUN & PLAY

0-3 Toddler Group
Is your child aged 3 and under?
But not quite ready to start nursery?
Come along with your toddler to our lovely school
for a cuppa, chat and play.
Every Wednesday from 2pm - 3pm
starting Wednesday 20th March 2024
All welcome!



BECOME A PARENT LOCAL ADVISORY BOARD (LAB) MEMBER TODAY



Directly observe the results of your decisions



Enhance the educational opportunities of local children



Collaborate with professional individuals from various backgrounds



Experience a sense of belonging to your local community



At a time when schools are in need of help, you will make the difference

Email lhewson@cumbriaeducationtrust.org for more information



Registered Charity
Number: 1180100

Parent & Carers of Children with Disabilities Café

Please join us in school for this café led by
Shirley Murphy from **Autism Support Allerdale and Copeland**

Free tea, coffee and biscuits provided

Dates for the Spring Term, Tuesdays from 9-11 am:

- 30th January
- 20th February
- 12th March
- 26th March

Shirley will invite speakers from:

- Family Action
- Benefits
- Basic First Aid Training
- Social Prescribers
- West Cumbria Carers Association
(who can support with carers' allowance and
the carers' assessment)



Northside Primary School Before & After School Clubs

After School Clubs

3:15pm – 3:55pm

Tues

Fun Club with
Miss McCourt & Miss Vallance

Performance Club
Mrs Allen, Miss Tweedie & Miss Morgan

Wed

Nature Club
with Rosie

Thurs

Sports Club
with Evie

There is no charge for our after-school clubs

Breakfast Club

Open daily from 8am – 8:35am

£2 per child, everyone welcome

We offer all children toast and fruit from

8:35am – 9am free of charge

Clubs need to be booked in advance by contacting
Miss Mitchell, by phone, email or Class Dojo