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Newsletter 23

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Reverend Siân

It was a bittersweet Collective Worship in school this afternoon, as Reverend Siân was leading for the last time at our school. Reverend Siân has been a big part of school life since 2019 and has supported the children and staff hugely including on-line Worships during lockdown, organising posadas at Christmas Time, regular services both in school and Church and, most recently, in her role as a School Governor. We will miss her lots and hope she really enjoys her new post in the Lower Nidderdale Parish – they are very lucky to have her!



World Book Day

We had a wonderful day in school yesterday as each class took part in a range of activities to celebrate a love of literature and World Book Day! Mrs Lang started the day with a whole class assembly followed by some paired reading (the older children supporting the younger children beautifully), lots of activities in class including an interactive session with the Horrible Histories author Terry Deary, and a teacher swap for story time! A fabulously cosy day enjoyed by all.



Comic Relief

The School Council have been thinking up ideas for us to take part in some fundraising for Comic Relief which takes place next Friday 15th March. They have three initiatives which we hope everyone will like to take part in in exchange for a donation of your choice for the charity.

- Crazy Hair day! Come to school on Friday with your most flamboyant pigtails, plaits, spikes or adornments! The crazier the better but make sure you will still be able to complete your learning in class that day too!
- A joke telling competition. There will be a prize for the funniest joke from each class so get brushing up on your joke books over the weekend.
- After school cake sale. We are asking for any donations of buns/individual cakes for the School Council to sell in the playground after school next Friday. The suggested price will be £1 per cake. Please could any donations be brought in a named container by Friday morning please.

Thank you for your support.

With best wishes for a lovely weekend.

Mrs F R Lawson-Ross,
Head teacher



Dates for your diary

+Blue text indicates occasions where parents and carers are warmly welcomed to attend.

Monday	18.03.24	All	Parent/Carer showcase 2.15 – 3.15pm
Friday	22.03.24	All	Easter Service 1.15pm @ St Mary's Church
Friday	22.03.24	All	School closes for Easter @ 2pm
Monday	08.04.24	Staff	Training Day
Tuesday	09.04.24	All	Children return to school
Monday	06.05.24	All	School closed for May Day
Wednesday	08.05.24	All	Skip 2B Fit Day
Tuesday	21.05.24	All	Sports Day Afternoon (Weather Dependent)
Thursday	23.05.24	All	Alternative Sports Morning
Friday	24.05.24	All	School closes for Half Term @ 3.30pm
Monday	03.06.24	Staff	Training Day
Tuesday	04.06.24	All	Children return to school
Wednesday	10.07.24	KS2	Summer Performance
Thursday	11.07.24	Ks2	Summer Performance
Thursday	18.07.24	Year 6	Leavers celebration
Friday	19.07.24	All	Leavers Service 1.15pm @ St Mary's Church
Friday	19.07.24	All	School closes for summer @ 2pm

Other trips, visits and exciting activities will be added as the year goes on.



Attendance

		Attendance Percentage	Days missed over a school year
Swinney –	98.46%		
Laver -	95%	100%	0 days
		95%	10 days
Burn –	97.14%	90%	20 days
		85%	30 days
Cover –	97.14%	80%	40 days

Superstars of the Week

Swinney -	Nancy – for using her wonderful imagination in drawing club and always being ready to learn
	Jack – for super sounding out to spell and write words
Laver -	Shami – for working so hard in maths
Burn -	Wilbur – for excellent focus and concentration
Cover -	Jai – for super World Book Day work
	Lewis – for super World Book Day work

Masham Writer of the Week

George