

September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school for the Autumn Term. It has been lovely to see everyone again and enjoy a sunny few days. I know that some of our families were affected by flooding at the weekend and send best wishes to them.

A special welcome to our new Reception children and their families; we hope that you will all be very happy at Church Walk.

School Uniforms

Everyone looks really smart in their uniforms; please can you make sure that all items are named. When children take off jumpers and cardigans, they can easily get mixed up. Also, please send a waterproof coat, in case it rains during the day.

Music Lessons

The music lessons with peripatetic teachers will start again this week and next...

There are spaces for piano lessons for children in year 3 upwards. If any children are interested, please contact Heather directly by email (ordheather@gmail.com) for more information.

There will also be spaces for children who would like to learn the clarinet, violin or flute; more details will follow for any junior children who are interested.

Toast Time

The School Council are going to start Toast Time on Friday mornings from 15th September. Children will be able to buy a slice of toast for 20p at playtime. All donations will go towards play equipment for the children.

Reading Open Morning

We are holding an Open Morning and invite parents to come into school and read with their children. It will be on Monday 25th September from 9.00am until 9.30am. Junior children will also be able to read with the infants and younger brothers and sisters.

'Teach children how they should live and they will remember it all their lives' **Proverbs 22:6**











Contact Information

If you have recently changed your mobile number, email address, or moved house, please could you inform Mrs Tyson in the school office. We want to make sure that you receive text messages and any information that is emailed to you.

We send newsletters by email; if you require a paper copy, please contact the office.

If you need to contact school, please phone 01229 587258 or send emails to admin@churchwalk.cumbria.sch.uk. The office is open between 8.30am and 3.00pm. Monday to Thursday and 3.30pm on Friday. Outside of these times, please leave a message on the school answerphone and we will return your call as soon as we can.

School clubs

We are going to start after school clubs in the next few weeks. Reception children will have a little longer to settle into school.

Each class teacher will send out the details of the clubs that they are running.

Our School App

If you have not already done so, please download the Church Walk App. It will help to keep you informed of any events and information. Details of how to download it are below.

- 1. Search for Our Schools App in the App store on your ipad or smart phone.
- 2. Download the App.
- 3. Using the search bar, look for the school name or post code.
- 4. Once you see the school name, touch the screen and confirm by pressing ok.

Baby News

Miss Hayter had a little boy at the beginning of August and has called him Oliver. They are both doing well and settling into family life.

School Meals

From October half term, we will be changing our school meal provider as the price increases with Dolce have become unmanageable.

We currently get our meals from the kitchen at Penny Bridge Academy. They have decided to take the service in house rather than through Dolce ,so we will continue to get our meals from them.

Inevitably, there will be a price increase to cover this and meals for Junior children will be £3.00 a day from Monday 30th October. If we had stayed with Dolce, it would have been much more than this.

More details of menus and how to order will be sent out nearer the time.

Dates for School Games Gold Award

We were very pleased to be awarded the School Games Gold Award at the end of last term. There are more sporting events planned for this year, with other local primary schools and UVHS.

Dates for this half term

Monday 25th September Reading Open Morning for parents and children.

9.00am—9.30am in school

Monday 2nd October Harvest Assembly 9.10am in the school hall Tuesday 10th October Open morning for potential new starters for next

year 9.30am—10.30am

Monday 16th - Friday 20th October Walk to School Week Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October Half term

Term ends for Christmas Tuesday 19th December at 1.15pm