



## TJS Newsletter - 20 March 2026

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## Attendance Matters



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*Our target is for attendance to be around 96%; the attendance for last week was 95.53% and for this week was 94.96%.*

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## End of Term - Early Finish



**Our school term ends on Friday, 27th March - finishing early at 1.45pm.**

**We hope you all have an enjoyable break and we look forward to seeing the children again on Monday, 13th April.**

## Squeezy/Squishy Toys



We have recently seen an increase in children bringing squeezy/squishy toys into school. Please can we ask that these are not brought into school. Unfortunately, they can burst and may cause damage to skin, eyes, clothing, and furniture.

Thank you for your support. Mrs Maxwell

## PE & Swimming Days After Easter



Please keep an eye on your Parentmail emails over the next few days - details will be sent out to confirm the days each class will have PE and/or swimming after the Easter break.

## Mother's Day Gifts



We would like to say a huge "Thank You" to our PTA for organising gifts for Mother's Day. They provided around 130 gifts which was a great achievement!

Sometime after Easter, we will be starting our appeal for Father's Day gifts if you have anything suitable to donate e.g. socks, mugs, keyrings etc, please consider donating them to the appeal. We will let you know details in due course.

Thank you to everyone for your support.

## School Milk - Summer Term



We have previously sent out a form on Parentmail half-termly to find out who would like school milk. Going forward, this will be done on a termly basis.

If your child would like to have school milk in the summer term, please complete the form on Parentmail, and arrange payment if appropriate, by 6pm on Wednesday, 25th March.

## Parking Issues

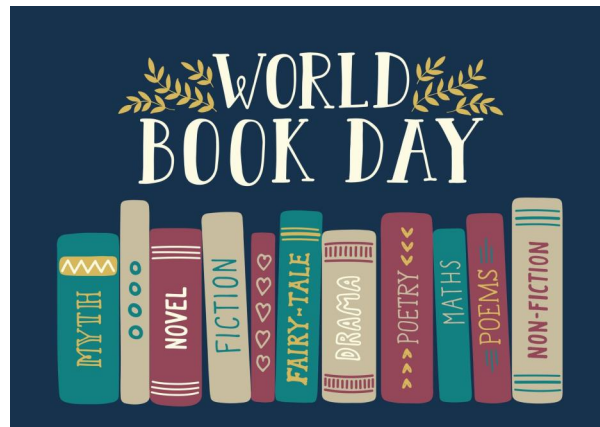


Please can we remind parents and carers that cars should not be parked in nearby streets and residential areas when collecting children. Vehicles have been restricting access on Beech Croft earlier this week.

Please use the car park permits, that we can provide, to park on Water Street Car Park for both before and after school - if you need one of these please ask at the school office.

Thank you for your support.

## World Book Day



We are absolutely delighted to confirm that the total raised for World Book Day, from 'Squares', non-uniform day, our cake sale and generous donations from Futamura and Innovia, was £1166.24! A massive thank you to everyone who supported this!

## Music Lessons



Invoices were sent at the start of this half term for piano, guitar and violin lessons. Thank you to everyone who has already paid.

Today was the deadline for payments. If you have not yet paid, please ensure invoices are paid by 26th March, as we need all invoices paid before the Easter break please.

## Dinner Money



We have sent text messages to everyone who is predicted to owe dinner money at the end of term.

It would help us greatly if all balances could be cleared by Thursday, 26th March. It is most helpful if you are able to pay the correct amount to bring the balance to zero, as this reduces the number of messages we need to send at the end of term.

Any credit balances at the Easter break will be carried forward to the summer term.

## Year 4 Residential to Beamish & Newcastle



The deadline for remaining payments for the Year 4 Residential is 28th March 2026. Please ensure all payments are made by this date if your child will be attending this trip.

## Year 5 Residential to Muncaster Castle



The deadline for the second instalment for the Year 5 Residential is 29th March 2026. Please ensure your child's payment is made by this date if your child will be attending this trip. The remaining instalment is due by 29th April.

## OPAL Open Day for Visiting Schools



Following us receiving a Platinum Award for our OPAL play, next Thursday, 26th March, we will have a number of visitors from other schools who are coming along to see our OPAL scheme. They will be looking at the things we have put in place as part of our OPAL journey and some of the children will be showing them their favourite activities. We are hoping to inspire other schools to join us as an OPAL school. This day is not for parents, but we will have a future day later in the year to show you the recent enhancements to our scheme.

## Celebration Assembly



Well done to everyone who received a certificate last week or this week!

















## Sport Events



Year 3/4 Carlisle Schools' Girls' Football

Yesterday it was the turn of our girls' team to take part in the city qualifiers. After knowing how the boys did last week, the whole squad were up for the task to match their achievement - and they certainly did that!

They played 6 games, won all 6 and conceded zero goals. It was a whole squad performance with everyone playing a key part. Well done!

I look forward to having both the boys and the girls representing TJS at the city finals next month. It's a special cohort of footballers for year 3/4 boys and girls this year - between the 2 events they've played so far, the stats are: Played: 13, Won: 13, Goals Scored: 42, Goals Conceded: 0!

Mr Powell

## Dates for your Diary

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| <b>23 March</b>             | Panathlon Multi-Skills Event at Richard Rose Central Academy        |
| <b>25 March</b>             | Violin Pupils - Primary Orchestra Day - Austin Friars Junior School |
| <b>27 March</b>             | <b>Final day of Spring Term – EARLY FINISH 1.45PM</b>               |
| <b>30 March to 10 April</b> | Easter Holiday  |
| <b>13 April</b>             | Children back to school for Summer Term                             |
| <b>15 April</b>             | Violin Pupils – Orchestra Day at The Keswick Pencil Factory         |
| <b>17 April</b>             | Blencathra House Group Trip to Rheged                               |
| <b>23 April</b>             | Year 5&6 Netball at Richard Rose Central Academy                    |
| <b>28 to 29 April</b>       | Year 4 Residential to Beamish & Life Science Centre, Newcastle      |
| <b>4 May</b>                | Bank Holiday  |
| <b>5 May</b>                | Multi Skills Event at Richard Rose Central Academy                  |
| <b>6 May</b>                | Wigton Schools' Cross Country at Thursby Primary School             |
| <b>11 to 14 May</b>         | Year 6 SATS week  |
| <b>19 May</b>               | Tempest Photographer in school for Year 6 Leaver's Photos           |
| <b>19 May</b>               | Year 3&4 Tennis at Chatsworth Tennis Club                           |
| <b>25 to 29 May</b>         | <b>Half Term</b>  |
| <b>2 June</b>               | Year 5 Taster Day at The Nelson Thomlinson School                   |
| <b>4 to 5 June</b>          | Year 5 Residential to Muncaster Castle                              |
| <b>8 June</b>               | Year 5 – "Play in a Day"  |
| <b>12 June</b>              | Year 5&6 Football at Harraby  |
| <b>16 to 19 June</b>        | Year 6 London Residential   |
| <b>23 June</b>              | Year 5&6 Rounders at St Cuthbert's School                           |
| <b>24 June</b>              | Year 4, 5 & 6 Track & Field at Sheepmount                           |
| <b>25 June</b>              | Cumbria School Games at Sheepmount                                  |
| <b>26 June</b>              | Year 5&6 Girls Football at Harraby                                  |
| <b>29 &amp; 30 June</b>     | Year 6 Transition Days at The Nelson Thomlinson School              |
| <b>3 July</b>               | Year 3&4 Football at Harraby  |
| <b>9 July</b>               | Year 5&6 Carlisle Schools' Rounders at Sheepmount                   |
| <b>17 July</b>              | <b>End of Summer Term – EARLY FINISH 1.45PM</b>                     |
| <b>20 July to 1 Sept</b>    | Summer Holiday  |
| <b>2 September</b>          | Start of Autumn Term 2026   |

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