



TJS Newsletter - 12 June 2026

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Attendance Matters





Our target is for attendance to be around 96%; the attendance for last week was 96.05% and for this week was 96.48%.

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, I met with our Local Authority Attendance Officer for our annual attendance review, and I am delighted to share that she was extremely impressed with our school attendance. Our attendance is consistently in the mid to high 90s for all learners – something that not many schools can say.

This is a real whole-school achievement. Our staff work incredibly hard to make learning fun and engaging and to build strong, secure relationships with every child. As a result, our children enjoy coming to school and thrive in our school community.

Most importantly, I would like to thank you, our parents and carers, for your continued support in ensuring that children attend school regularly and arrive on time each day. Your commitment makes a huge difference and plays a vital role in your child's success.

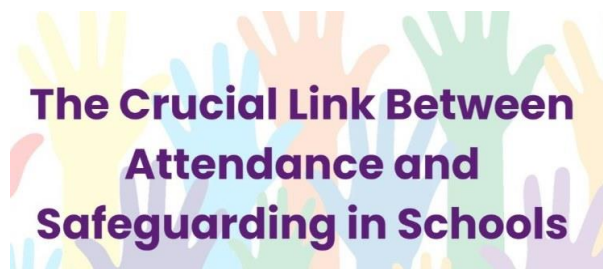
Thank you for working in partnership with us. This fantastic attendance is something we can all be proud of, and it truly reflects the strength of our whole school community.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

With regards,

Dawn Maxwell, Headteacher

Safeguarding & Attendance



As part of our ongoing safeguarding and attendance procedures, and following discussions with our Local Authority Attendance Officer, we have decided to introduce home visits for children who are absent from school due to illness.

These visits **may** take place after the third consecutive day of absence, even where parents or carers have been in daily contact with the school. This is an important addition to our safeguarding procedures, enabling us to have direct contact with children and ensure their wellbeing when they are not in school during term time.

We understand that this represents a change from our previous practice of telephone contact only. However, our priority is to ensure that all children who attend Thomlinson Junior School are safe and well. Home visits provide an additional opportunity for us to fulfil our safeguarding responsibilities and maintain our commitment to the welfare of every child in our care.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

With regards

Dawn Maxwell, Headteacher

Breakfast Club & After-School Club Payments



We have noticed that a number of children have ongoing balances owing on their Breakfast and/or After-School Club Account.

The system for booking is that sessions should be paid for when booking, or balances cleared monthly.

Please can we ask that any balances owing are cleared as a matter of urgency. We will not be able to carry forward any balances owing beyond the end of term, therefore it is essential that all balances are cleared before 17th July please.

We cannot continue to accept bookings for those who do not clear their balances in full therefore your support would be appreciated.

Year 6 Leavers Photos



Message from Tempest Photography...

It's time to find a spot on the mantelpiece or a space on the wall as I'm delighted to let you know that your recent group photograph is now ready to view and purchase at the following link...

Mrs Brown's Class - <https://htmp.st/Z-MCBROWN-16X7-A2A9EF0AE2>

Mrs Crane's Class - <https://htmp.st/Z-Y6-MCRANE-C9D418D199>

We offer a free "deliver to school" option that is open for approximately 14 days, alternatively, home delivery is available at a cost of £5 postage and packing. A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Monday 22nd June 2026.

If you need assistance or have any questions regarding placing an order, please call 01736 751555 (option 3) or click on the "contact" button on our website home page ([htempest.co.uk](https://www.htempest.co.uk/)¹) where our friendly team will be happy to help.

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PTA - Father's Day Gifts



Thank you to the PTA who have worked extremely hard and sold a whopping 136 Father's Day gifts this week! It is no small task organising the gifts and we are very grateful to the PTA members who have given up their time to make this happen.

We hope all the recipients enjoy their gifts!

School Council - Phunky Foods Healthier Communities Project - 1 Mile Fun Run



On Monday, 15th June 2026, our School Council will be running a 1 Mile Fun Run for each class. This is one of the exciting activities they have planned as part of their work on the Phunky Foods Healthier Communities Project.

Children who would like to take part are asked to bring a food donation in exchange for participating. Suggested donations include:

- Pasta
- Biscuits
- Coffee
- Tins of beans
- Jelly

- Tea bags
- Custard
- Jam
- Tins of fruit
- Cereal
- Tins of soup

All donations will be given to our local Food Pantry to support families in the community.

Please ensure that children come to school wearing their PE kit including trainers on Monday. Children who have their usual PE lesson on Monday will still take part in this as normal. After completing their run, each child will be provided with a piece of fruit, very kindly donated by the Co-op.

We are also delighted that Susan from Phunky Foods will be joining us and will have some infused flavoured water for the children to sample and enjoy. Thank you for your support. We are looking forward to a fun and active event while helping a great cause.

Every donation, big or small, will make a difference and is greatly appreciated.

School Council Board Games Evening - Monday, 22nd June from 3.40pm to 5.00pm

Just a reminder regarding the School Council Board Games Evening - Monday, 22nd June from 3.40pm to 5.00pm. Thank you to everyone who has reserved seats. There are still more seats available, so if you would like to book please complete the form on Parentmail by 2pm on Monday, 15th June.

If you have reserved seats, please remember to come along and support the School Council with their event. There will be no parking in the school car park for the event.

There is no charge for tickets; however, instead of payment, we kindly ask families to bring a donation for the Wigton Food Pantry. Suggested items include:

- Tinned foods (soup, beans, vegetables, fruit)
- Pasta, rice or noodles
- Cereal
- Tea, coffee or long-life milk
- Biscuits or snack items

- Toiletries such as shampoo, toothpaste or soap

Thank you once again for your support.

Year 5&6 Sports Day - Monday, 22nd June



The Year 5 & 6 Sports Day will be held on Monday, 22nd June. All children in Years 5 & 6 will need to come in their PE kit that day, including trainers, and they will need a water bottle. If they wish, they can wear something of their house colour e.g. a T-shirt, as follows:-

Blencathra - Green

Catbells - Red

Ling - Yellow

Skiddaw - Blue

If the weather is likely to be hot, they should bring a cap and sun cream for them to apply themselves. There will be no Year 6 swimming that day.

Children will be doing field events in the morning, then races in the afternoon. Parents, carers and families are welcome to attend in the afternoon - the school gates will open at 1.15pm and races will start at 1.30pm. No parking in our school car park please.

Music Lesson Invoices



Invoices have been sent out for violin, piano and guitar lessons for this half term. Payments are due by 10th July please.

Year 3 Trip to The Lake District Wildlife Park - Wednesday, 8th July 2026



Thank you to everyone for completing the Parentmail trip forms so quickly for this trip. Thank you also to those who have already paid.

Please could we request that any remaining payments are made by **Friday, 26th June**. Thank you for your support.

The Book Bus is Coming!



The Book Bus (Library Van) will be visiting school on Tuesday, 23rd June. If your child has any books they have borrowed, please return them before 23rd June. This is particularly important if they are in Year 6!

PTA Summer Fayre - Friday, 3rd July 2026



PTA Summer Fayre – Save the Date!

The PTA are delighted to announce that our **Summer Fayre** will take place on **Friday, 3rd July from 3:20pm to 4:30pm** in the school playground.

We are busy planning lots of fun games, activities and stalls for everyone to enjoy, and we would be very grateful for your support.

Teddy & Toy Tombola

We are looking for donations of unwanted teddy bears and toys. These must be in **good, clean condition** and ideally new or nearly new.

Refreshments Stall

We will be selling refreshments, including cakes. Any donations of cakes and sweet treats would be greatly appreciated.

Raffle Prizes Needed

We will also be holding a raffle. If you, your family, friends or local businesses are able to donate a prize, we would be very thankful.

Fundraising events such as our Summer Fayre are incredibly important as **all profits go directly back into school**. The money raised helps to provide additional resources, experiences and opportunities for our children that enrich their learning and school life.

Every donation, raffle prize, cake or teddy bear makes a difference, and we are grateful for any support you can give.

Thank you for helping us make this year's Summer Fayre a fantastic community event. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dinner Money



Due to increasing costs, the price of School Meals will be increased slightly in September to £2.40 per day, £12 per week. We believe this still offers a very good deal for parents & carers, and is much cheaper than some schools in the area.

Year 6 Leavers Event & Assembly - Monday, 13th July 2026



The Year 6 Teachers are planning to hold a Leavers Event & Parent/Carer Assembly on Monday, 13th July. Details are yet to be confirmed, however this is likely to be an event for the Year 6 children from 4.30pm onwards, then an assembly at 6.00pm for Parents & Carers. Further details will follow on a Parentmail Form soon.

Celebration Assembly & Sport Events



Well done to everyone who received a certificate last week or this week. Photographs of the recipients and details of recent Sport Events and Sports Day are available on ClassDojo.

If you do not have access to ClassDojo please let us know and we will arrange for login information to be sent to you.

End of Term - Friday, 17th July



The summer term finishes on Friday, 17th July. We will finish early that day at 1.45pm.

Dates for your Diary

15 June	School Council 1 Mile Fun Run
16 June	Year 3&4 Tennis Festival at Chatsworth Tennis Club
16 to 19 June	Year 6 London Residential
22 June	Year 5 & 6 Sports Day
22 June	School Council Board Games Event 3.40pm to 5.00pm in Hall
23 June	Book Bus (Library Van) coming to school
23 June	Year 5&6 Rounders at St Cuthbert's School
24 June	Year 4, 5 & 6 Track & Field Athletics at Sheepmount
25 June	Cumbria School Games at Sheepmount
26 June	Year 5&6 Girls GoActiv Football at Harraby
29 June	'Moving Up' Day – children in 'new' classes, Year 2 visiting
29 & 30 June	Year 6 Transition Days at The Nelson Thomlinson School
30 June – 1 July	Year 6 Transition Days at Cockermouth School
30 June	Year 2 Parents Meeting 5.30pm
1 July	Year 6 Transition Day at Keswick School
3 July	Year 3&4 GoActiv Football at Harraby
3 July	PTA Summer Fayre 3.15pm to 4.30pm
7 July	Year 5 Sports Leader at Wigton Infants for Multi-Skills afternoon
8 July	Year 3 Trip to The Lake District Wildlife Park
9 July	Year 5&6 Carlisle Schools' Rounders at Sheepmount
10 July	TT Rockstars Day
13 July	Year 6 Leavers Event 4.30pm & Assembly for Parents 6pm
17 July	End of Summer Term – EARLY FINISH 1.45PM
20 July to 1 Sept	Summer Holiday
2 September	Start of Autumn Term 2026

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