



Newsletter

3rd June to 19th July 2024



Upcoming Events

Wednesday 4th September 8:40am
School Opens for Autumn 1

Thursday 5th September 3:15pm
PTA Meeting - All welcome

Tuesday 10th September 3:15pm
Parent Meet & Greet Sessions

Thursday 12th September 9:00am
RWI Phonics Coffee Morning

Friday 20th September
PTA Colour Run at Rugby Club

Wednesday 25th September
C3 to the React Science Show

Wednesday 16th October
Individual & Family Photos

Friday 25th October 3:15pm
School Closes for Half Term

Monday 4th November 8:40am
School Opens for Autumn 2

School Summary

Another school year has come to an end, and what a spectacular half term it has been! With trips galore, assemblies, plays and celebrations ... the pupils and staff have definitely earned their rest over the summer.

In Class 1, we have been learning about the Seaside and had our final trip to St Bees, where the children paddled and played in the sunshine before enjoying a delicious ice-cream.

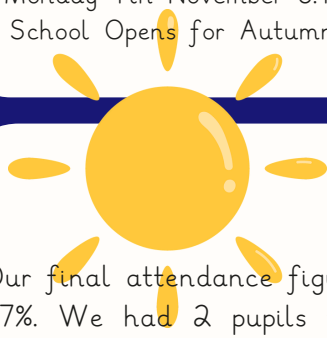
Pupils in Class 2 shared their learning in History with parents and pupils and gave them lots of useful information about the Romans and the Archaeological dig they took part in at Carlisle.

Our Class 3 pupils enjoyed their visit to the War Museum and put lots of effort into learning their lines for the end of year Performance - Mystery at Magpie Manor - which was great fun to watch!

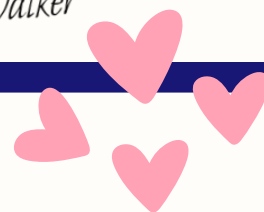
All of our pupils have enjoyed their 'Move Up' morning in preparation for September, spending time with new staff members and classes, and our Year 6s also spent some time in their new Secondary schools. We all ready for the next adventure that awaits!

Well done to everyone for their hard work this year - I hope you all a fabulous summer!

Mrs Walker



Safeguarding



Our final attendance figure for the year was 96% which was slightly below our own school target of 97%. We had 2 pupils who received our 100% attendance awards and a total of 26 pupils who achieved our 97% target! This is a huge improvement on last year ... well done and thank you for your co-operation in ensuring our pupils make the most of the learning opportunities available.

If you need any safeguarding advice over the holidays or would like to report a safeguarding issue about any child or young person, please visit www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/ to find out more information or call 999 if you feel a child may be in immediate danger.

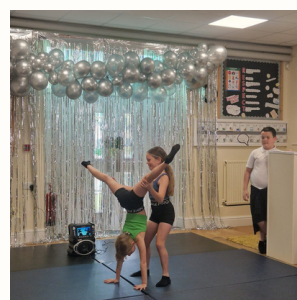
Celebrations

There has been much to celebrate this half term - with one of our biggest achievements being the results of our recent Ofsted Inspection. It was fantastic to hear that teaching and learning had significantly improved since July 2022 and to confirm that we are now delivering a 'good' standard of education across all areas of provision. The entire staff team were delighted with the news and would like to thank the Governors, Parents, Pupils and wider community for their incredible support on our journey.



In June, we held our first Lowca's Got Talent Competition and our pupils did not disappoint.

With magic shows, dancing, football skills, singing and story telling, it was a wonderful celebration of the many talents we have in our school. The winners also took part in a festival with four other local primary schools and enjoyed performing collaboratively as well as showing off their skills to other pupils.





School Values

Earlier this year we launched our new School Values and we have focused on displaying them both in school and out of school. Each week in assembly, we discuss how pupils and staff have created opportunities to show their understanding of the values and children nominate others who they have noticed demonstrating our values too. This has made a huge difference throughout the year, making our school a special place to learn and grow and we will continue to develop this further next year.

Love, Ownership, Wellbeing, Collaboration & Attitude

During the year, children have been collecting beads and working as a team to earn a collective reward. On Thursday, we celebrated their hard work and each team was awarded a treat and a choice of activities to enjoy for the afternoon. It was a close call but our winners this year, with over 850 beads were ... Team Buttermere who all enjoyed their candy and chocolate topped ice-creams!



Learning beyond the Classroom

This half term has been filled with trips and experiences to support and consolidate learning in school. Our Class 1 pupils went to the Seaside to paddle and investigate rock pools ... and of course no trip would be complete without an ice-cream! Class 2 took part in a Roman Dig at Carlisle and Class 3 visited the Military Museum to extend their learning about World War 2.



As part of our 'Celebrating Cumbria' work, each class studied a different subject and enjoyed a trip to explore this in more detail. Class 1 investigated the wonderful work from Beatrix Potter and the impact she had on children around the world and went to Windermere to see her Museum ... and meet Peter Rabbit! Class 2 walked along the Wagon Road to explore the historical features of the mining industry in our area and visited the Beacon Museum to look at artifacts. Class 3 explored the geographical features created by the Ice Age and walked around Buttermere using their map skills.



Finally, our Year 6 pupils enjoyed a trip to Manchester, where they visited the theater, museum, shopping centre and football stadium as well as learned how to Ski and Snowboard!

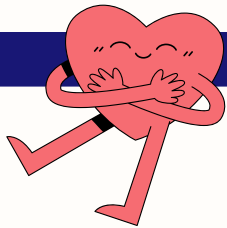




Goodbyes and Fond Farewells

This morning we held our final assembly for our Year 6 pupils and they shared some music and memories of their wonderful time at Lowca Community School. It was lovely to hear how friendships had grown and that they were filled with hope for their journey ahead. We will thoroughly miss them and wish them lots of luck as they move into Year 7, leaving their year 6 benches at the back of the hall!

Today we also said some sad goodbyes to Ms Lawson, who has been a teacher at our school for over 10 years and has decided to retire and spend time in her allotment, as well as to Miss Musgrave who has been an Apprentice Teaching Assistant with us for this year in Class 1 and Class 2. You will both be missed and we hope you will come back and visit us soon!



Fundraising Fun

This half term we have had lots of fun raising money for both our school and the wider community. We held a Euros Football Tournament to raise money for the PTA and even had a Children v Teacher penalty shoot out! Our staff team completed the Race For Life 'Muddy 5K' in Carlisle and got very wet and muddy going over and under several inflatable obstacles to raise awareness of the work carried out to help reduce incidents of Breast Cancer. We raised over £1,200 for the charity which was incredible and will make a huge difference to many lives.



Last week, we also held our Summer Fayre which raised over £600 for our School PTA. The event was very well attended and the children and parents enjoyed playing games, eating cakes and tray bakes, bouncing on the bouncy castle, winning prizes and soaking Mrs Walker in the stocks! A huge thank you to the Lowca Rugby Team for joining us to play sports on the yard, to Jess from the Family Hub for sharing valuable information with our parents and for everyone who supported us!!!