

# Low Furness CE Primary School

*'Learning Together Through Faith'*

## DATES FOR DIARIES - AUTUMN 2ND HALF

- 04/11/24 - Autumn 2nd half
- 10/11/24 - Remembrance Sunday
- 11/11/24 - Daisy first aid in school Y1-Y5
- 12/11/24 - Year 6 class collective worship
- 14/11/24 - Year 3/4 class collective worship
- 15/11/24 - Daisy first aid Year 6
- 15/11/24 - Children in Need
- 18/11/24 - EYFS & Year 1 Outdoor classroom day
- 19/11/24 - Y3 & 4 Outdoor classroom day
- 20/11/24 - Year 6 Outdoor classroom day
- 20/11/24 - Year 1 class Collective worship
- 21/11/24 - Year 2 Outdoor classroom day
- 21/11/24 - Andy Tooze Poet in school all day
- 22/11/24 - Year 5 Outdoor classroom day
- 27/11/24 - Year 2 class collective worship
- 29/11/24 - Whole school cinema trip to the Roxy - further details to follow
- W.C 02/12/24 - Celebrating the success of our children at Low Furness - Parent drop in sessions this week. Details to follow
- 03/12/24 EYFS class collective worship
- 06/12/24 - Non-uniform day. All pupils invited to bring in a raffle, tombola & items for Christmas fayre
- 06/12/24 - Final celebration worship
- 07/12/24 - Friends of Low Furness Christmas Fayre
- 10/12/24 - Christmas play at 5.30pm. KS1 & KS2
- 11/12/24 - KS1/KS2 Christmas play  
- 9.30am  
- 1.30pm
- 12/12/24 - Reindeer run & Christmas jumper day
- 12/12/24 - Christmas dinner day
- 13/12/24 - Christingle service 2pm. Start in school hall. All welcome
- 15/12/24 - Christingle in Church
- 16/12/24 - Y5/6 party
- 17/12/24 - Christmas in church 9.15am
- 17/12/24 - EYFS & KS1 party
- 18/12/24 - Y3 & 4 party
- 20/12/24 - Break up for Christmas 2pm



## End of Autumn 1st half term, 2024

Happy half term. Today is the last day of the first half term and what a busy and fantastic half term it has been! I would like to thank all of the staff for their hard work in all they have been doing to support the children's learning. Thank you to all our parents who have continued to show their support and most importantly - to all our beautiful children who display love, kindness and hard work every single day at Low Furness.

This week we have had our Parents' consultation appointments and I hope that you found them useful. We have also scheduled a 'Celebrating the success of our children at Low Furness' drop in session for the week commencing 2nd December so we hope to see as many of you there as possible to celebrate the successes of your children as they progress through the year.

Looking forward to next half term, there are lots of exciting events ahead including: the season of Advent & the wonderful build up to Christmas; new outdoor curriculum days; collective worship class led sessions, Christmas productions and our annual whole school trip to the cinema to name but a few.

In the meantime, I hope you all enjoy a peaceful and happy half term holiday, and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school again on Monday 4th November.

Mrs Rowland-Smith

## Outdoor days & Collective Worship

### Outdoor classroom days

The schedule for our new outdoor classroom days is as follows:

- Monday 18th November - EYFS & Year 1
- Tuesday 19th November - Year 3 & 4
- Wednesday 20th November - Year 6
- Thursday 21st November - Year 2
- Friday 22nd November - Year 5

### Class led Collective Worship

Class led Collective Worship timetable for next term is as follows:

- Tuesday 12th November - Year 6
- Thursday 14th November - Year 3 & 4
- Wednesday 20th November - Year 1
- Wednesday 27th November - Year 2
- Tuesday 3rd December - Nursery & Reception

## Vision and Values crew

In our first half term, we have been learning all about our Christian value: respect. To celebrate this, our vision and values crew led a beautiful Collective Worship all about Respect.



Next term, our whole school Christian value is FRIENDSHIP

## Attendance & Punctuality

### Attendance

Thank you to all our families for their support with the new LA & DFE statutory guidance and school policy for attendance. Please see below for our current attendance data.

National average = **96%**

School target = **98%**

Our current school attendance data is **95.34%**

**8.45am** Your child has arrived in time to settle well and has the best start possible.

**9.00am** Your child has probably arrived just after most children as the school day **starts** at 9.00am.

**9.01am** **Your child is late** and has missed the beginning of the school day, being a few minutes late often unsettles children.

**9.05am** 5 minutes late a day means 3 lost days a year.

**9.10am** 10 minutes late a day means 6 lost days a year.

**9.15am** 15 minutes late a day means 9 lost days a year.

**Arriving after the register closes is recorded as an unauthorised absence.**

If your child is late they are missing out.

## School to home communication

School Jotter will be our main platform for communication with the aim to becoming a paperless school wherever possible. Please ensure you have downloaded the app and keep checking notifications which come through - you can change your notification settings on the app to ensure you are getting notified of key information. All events with dates are added to our school calendar which can be accessed via the app. This will help you keep track of everything that is happening in our school and we hope that you find it useful and informative.



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## Reception class 2025

The window to apply for a Reception Place is now open. Parents have until 15th January to apply.

Please share the word about our wonderful school and invite any prospective parents to arrange a visit by contacting our school office on:

[admin@low-furness.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@low-furness.cumbria.sch.uk)



# Safeguarding at Low Furness



- **Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL):** Clare Rowland-Smith, Headteacher
- **Deputy Safeguarding Lead (DDSL):** Tracey Tracey, Senior teacher and SENCO
- **Link Safeguarding Governor:** William Ross

As a school and as individuals we are committed to maintaining a culture of listening and respecting pupils, keeping them safe and making them feel safe in the knowledge that there are always sympathetic adults they can talk to. Please contact a member of our Safeguarding team if you have any concerns.

If you are worried that a child is at risk of immediate harm, please contact:  
Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub on 0300 373 2724 or via email on:  
[safeguarding.hub@westmorlandandfurness.gov](mailto:safeguarding.hub@westmorlandandfurness.gov)

You can also use the following link if you require any further information on Safeguarding:  
<https://cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/westmorlandfurness/westmorlandprofessionals/default.asp>