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Curriculum corner

Assessment:

It's the time of year when we start thinking about external and internal assessments.

Y6 SATS: next week, Y6 children will sit their mandatory sats. You will have received a letter detailing arrangements for children to arrive early for breakfast. This is part of the way we prepare children in a supportive manner, enabling them to achieve their best, hopefully, without too much pressure. Please make sure your child is well-rested for Monday and is in school on time every day.

Y1 phonics: every Y1 children will take a phonics assessment in the week beginning 9 June This is a 1:1 verbal assessment of their phonics knowledge where they try to read 40 words, both normal and nonsense words. This will be administered by the class teacher.

Multiplication tables check: All Y4 children sit an online tables test in the week beginning 9 June. This tests their knowledge of times tables up to 12x12 and they have 6s to answer each question.

Y2 assessments: although we no longer have to statutorily report results of our Y2 assessments, the children will sit internal assessments along with Y3,4,5 in week beginning 16 June. This allows teachers to accurately assess which knowledge is embedded, and what needs re-teaching next year.

EYFS: children will be assessed on the areas of learning in the EYFS curriculum. This is teacher assessment and no test is taken.

PTA fundraising

Caton Utd Football Club are taking part in a walk to raise money for the football club. They have kindly offered to split the money with school as part of our minibus fund. The players and officials of the club will be walking up Coniston Old Man on Sunday 8 June – you will have received a poster sent by email and you can use the QR code to donate.

Parents and children are welcome to join the walk and further details will follow. However, please be aware that this isn't an organised school event, and parents are responsible for their own children at all times.

PTA summer fair planning

The PTA are holding a summer fair planning meeting on Wednesday 21 May at 7pm in the Station Hotel. The summer fair is the highlight of the PTA calendar and it would be great to see you at the meeting sharing your ideas about how we can make this even better.

At present, we have raised about £8000 for the minibus. We are applying for match funding, and there are a couple more fundraising events, and then we will confirm a minibus purchase, hopefully in time for September.

School dinners

Feedback on school dinners this week has been excellent; tasty food and large portions. Your child can choose a school dinner daily, so please check out the menu and see which days they would like to try.



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Diary Dates

Mon 12 – 16 May – Year 6 SATS week
Sat 17 May – Caton Gala
Mon 19 May – Year 6 Parliament trip
Tues 20/Weds 21 – Diamond Class Parents Evening
Wed 21 – Emerald trip Maritime Museum
Wed 21 – Coniston information evening
Wed 22 – Diamond Class Parents Evening
Fri 23 May – Break up for half term
Mon 2 June – Inset day
Tues 3 June – back to school
Thurs 5 – Fri 6 June – Year 5 Coniston residential
Mon 9 June – Topaz trip to Salt Ayre climbing
Fri 13 June – Fathers Day breakfast
Thurs 19 June – 6pm Reception Sept 2025 new starter evening
Fri 27 June – PTA Summer Fair
Mon 30 – Tues 1 July – Year 6 Edinburgh residential
Wed 2 July –(pm) Sports day
Thurs 10 July – 2pm and 6pm Year 6 Production
Tues 22 July – break up for summer holidays

Caton Gala

Caton gala is on Saturday 17 May. The choir will be singing and, if possible, need to be at the gala for 12:50pm for a 1pm performance.

We will also be parading around the ring to start the gala. Mr Chaffe will be leading the children; the theme is, 'Down on the farm' and there is a prize for the best decorated hat. Please send your children to the parade ring for around 11:45am so they can parade with Mr Chaffe and show how wonderful our school is. Children can parade whether they are in fancy dress or not.

VIPs

A massive CSP well done to all our super VIPs this week.

Diamond - Ronnie A for his positive 'can do' attitude in everything we do.

Ruby – Betsy F for fantastic work in PE; Betsy worked hard on her underarm throw, jumping and hopping.

Topaz – Penelope H for always working very hard in class and doing so with joy.

Emerald - Eddie C for wonderful effort with his writing this week. He is making big improvements and showing great imagination.

Sapphire – Willow S for creating an intricate collage, in her own time, and also for having a constant smile, which lights up the world of those around her.

Amethyst – Evie C for always being a kind friend to others, for consistently working hard in class and for always producing work of a superb standard, thank you

Change to lunch menu

On Thursday 15 May we will be having our 'National Dinosaur Day' lunch. The menu will be beef burger or vegetarian burger and onion ring or loaded vegetable and cheese quesadilla with crinkle cut potato slices and vegetable sticks and chilli mayo or jacket potato with cheese and beans followed by raspberry buns or jelly and ice cream with strawberry sauce.