



NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2017

A visit from the new Head

Mr Armstrong came into school this week to say hello to children and staff and to chat about next year. He is due again on 19th June to meet with staff and will then attend the governor's meeting in the evening. He will also attend the Summer Cluster Head Teachers meeting with Lynn and is very much looking forward to starting in September.



Harvey who joins us in Year 3 and
Erin who joins Nursery this half term.

Science Workshop **Thursday, 22nd June at UCC**

Year 5 children have been invited to a Science Workshop morning organised by Alex Ford, Science teacher at the school. A coach will pick the children and Mr D up at 9:00am and return them to school by 12:30pm. School dinner children will be able to order a packed lunch to have when they return.

For Your Information.....

The **Cumbria Individual Junior Chess Championship 2017** is being held at QEGS on Saturday, 1st July, 10:30am to 4:00pm.

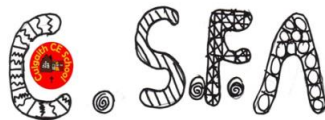
There are under 9 and under 11 classes and older classes. £5.00 to enter.

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Year 1 Phonics Screening Check – Week beginning 12th June

At some point during this week the Y1 children will complete this check which involves them using the sounds they have learned and practised to decode random words – some of which are not real words. They have had experience of this in their usual class work and we make sure that the check is low key and that the children are relaxed and see it as part of usual activities. The outcome will be shared with parents at open evenings.



There will be a '**Jobs Day**' on **Saturday, 8th July**, 9:30am to 11:30am. This is a day when parents, carers, friends and grandparents offer some time to school to do jobs that we either don't have funds or time to do. We have found it best to do a concentrated, short burst and we have a list of jobs that will include painting, cleaning, weeding, pressure washing and some branch/small tree removal. The school always looks amazing afterwards and we are really grateful for helpers – we will have coffee/tea and biscuits. Children are welcome and Lynn is happy to put on a film if someone brings a suitable DVD or they can help with low risk jobs.

BBQ – This is a very popular social event. It will take place on **Friday, 14th July**, over on the Recreation Ground. Thank you to the Trustees for use of the ground – it makes the whole event easier to manage. There will be more details from the CSFA to follow. This event will also be a "Goodbye" to Lynn as the Summer concert focus is a "Goodbye" to Y6.

Many thanks to the CSFA who paid for the replacement of the surface in front of the Outdoor Learning Area – it looks fantastic and is now safe without big cones!

New Boiler - We now have a new boiler and flue. The work was completed during half term.

Summer Concert **1:30pm Wednesday, 19th July**

This is a concert which is mainly about saying "Goodbye" to Year 6, and their parents and family need to have seating priority so that they can see. We cannot fit everyone in the hall – so please understand that this is not like the Christmas concert where tickets are issued. We can fit some parents in over and above Year 6, but not many. (See BBQ for Lynn's farewell.)

Open Evenings – Week commencing 3rd July

Class 1 – Appointments will be on **Tuesday 4th** and **Wednesday 5th July**

Class 2 – Appointments will be on **Tuesday 4th** and **Wednesday 5th July**

Class 3 – Appointments will be on **Tuesday 4th**, **Wednesday 5th** and **Thursday, 6th July**

Appointment slot lists will be available in the cloakrooms shortly. If the days and times are impossible, please let us know and we will arrange an alternative. Parents of bus children – please feel free to phone us and we can add you to this lists.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday, 12 th June	Year 1 phonics screening check at some point this week
Thursday, 15 th June	Y2&3 Cricket Festival at Recreation Ground
Friday, 16 th June	Y6 Leavers Service at Carlisle Cathedral (packed lunch or order required)
Monday, 19 th June	6:45pm Full Governor meeting at school
Thursday, 22 nd June	Y5 to Science Workshop morning at UCC
Week beginning Monday, 3 rd July	Open evenings this week
Monday, 3 rd July	Class 1 Little Big Sing at Methodist Church, Penrith
Thursday, 6 th July	Transition Day - Y6 to High Schools
Saturday, 8 th July	CSFA 'Jobs Day' at school
Monday, 10 th July	Class 3 One Small Bird performance at The Sands Centre, Carlisle (more details to follow)
Wednesday, 12 th July	Sports Day (in case of bad weather, back-up date is 13 th July)
Friday, 14 th July	CSFA Summer BBQ at the Recreation Ground
Wednesday, 19 th July	1:30pm Summer Farewell Concert (Farewell to Y6)
Thursday, 20 th July	Break up for Summer

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