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SWJS Newsletter

June 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

The hot weather is certainly upon us! In school, we remind the children to drink plenty of water, wear a hat (during playtimes) & to take off their jumpers and cardigans! Children may bring in sun creams but must understand not to share these with other children (in case of allergies). We will encourage the children to seek out the shaded areas and we may bring the children in school earlier at lunchtime (depending on the intensity of the sun on that day).

Reminder - South Walney on Twitter!

Are you following us on Twitter? Each class now has their own twitter account.

This is where you will be able to see what activities/ events your child is doing in school and a great talking point - no more 'What have you done in school today?' 'Nothing!' type conversations!

Listed below is each class' twitter account to see what's happening in school. Just click 'Following' when you first log in.

For the Year 6 residential to London, this is where you will be able to see how we are getting on!

SWJS (the whole school) - @swalneyj

Mrs McParland/ Mrs Atkinson - @mmcdatswjs

Mr Wilson - @twiswjs

Mrs Hall - @fhaswjs

Mr Edwards - @redswjs

Mrs McIntyre - @pmcswjs

Mrs Anderson - @fanswjs

Mrs McKellar - @nmcswjs

Mrs Banks - @mbaswjs

Reminder - Attendance/ Term Time holidays

We are currently experiencing a large number of children missing school from term time holidays. Please note that time away from school does require an application via a holiday form from the school office.

Over the course of this year, we have observed children finding it difficult to settle back into a school routine after a holiday (sleeping, friendships, catching up with work). Parents/ children are encouraged to take work away with them but this does not substitute the quality first teaching they experience from their teachers and the teaching environment.

During the Autumn term, 60% of our children had at least one absence and in the Spring term this figure rose to 68% (these figures include holidays and illnesses). These figures indicate how difficult it is for teachers to teach their classes when children have 'odd days off' or blocks of time off school.

I firmly believe that there is a strong link to school progress and attendance and I hope you will support us with this. I have provided quick links to the term time dates.

Thank you.

Click on this link for the Cumbria School Term Time Dates 2018-2019

<http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/elibrary/Content/Internet/537/955/1042/4240816132.pdf?timestamp=4328310359>

Click on this link for the Cumbria School term dates 2019-2020

<http://www.cumbria.gov.uk/elibrary/Content/Internet/537/955/1042/4240816147.pdf?timestamp=4328310359>

Dates for the Diary:

June

- 25th 5A Taster Day at Walney School
- 26th Y3 trip to Brockhole
- 27th Digital Leaders Day at Dalton St.Mary's Sch

July

- 2nd/3rd Y6 Transition days
- 2nd Y2/ Y3 class swop, am
- 3rd New Y3 parents welcome meeting & Y2 children visit
- 4th-6th Y6 Residential to London
- 4th Y5 Knex workshop
- 4th Whole School to Walney School to watch Mary Poppins, 1-3pm (£1 donation please)
- 6th Family Learning: Bouncebackability
- 10th/11th Beauty & the Beast performance in school
- 13th Walney's Got Talent, Walney School
- 13th Family Learning: Bouncebackability
- 13th School Reports sent out
- 19th Y6 Leaver's Assembly 1.30pm & Leaver's event in the evening
- 20th Break up for Summer Holidays

Successes in School:

Y6 took part in the Walney race for Life. They were cheered on by the pupils and teachers at George Hastwell School and when George Hastwell School did their race, our pupils cheered them on too! Great community spirit! Well Done!



Work of the Month June 2018

Well done to the following children who achieved Work of the Month!



3W - Keira Heaton-Henderson

3MA - Luiz da Silva & Rosa McDonald

4H - Toby Conaghan

4E - Angel Jones & Leana Scott

5McI - William Melvin, George Dunnage & Joshua Robinson

5A - Katy Hayton

6B - Preston Lowden

6McK - Morgan Nicholson

More Successes in School:

A group of children with Ms Lines & Mrs McKellar took part in the Fine fest parade in Ulverston. We sang, we danced and we had a great time! Thank you for supporting us with this project!



Y6 children took part in the annual Junior Citizens Scheme - they learnt lots of life skills and information about keeping safe. There are lots more photos on our twitter accounts!

