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MISS STORY

It gives me great pleasure to share the exciting news that Miss Story is expecting her first baby in the spring. I'm sure you will join me in congratulating her and her partner - we wish them only the very best.

Miss Story will be taking maternity leave starting in the summer term - please be assured that we are working behind the scenes to ensure quality recruitment relating to the Owls class - look out for an advert going out soon.

HALF TERM

As the half-term holiday approaches, I would like to say thanks to our staff, to our governors, to parents and of course, to the children who have all contributed to a productive start to the school year.

We have had a range of visitors and sporting opportunities, as well as superb charity events and our first ever participation in the art trail. We have continued to celebrate our 150th anniversary which attracted lots of media attention.

After next Friday 24th October, children will have a week to recharge before we open our doors again on Monday 3rd November.



ATTENDANCE

A great start to the year - well done everyone.

Week beginning Monday 6th October:

Owls: 100% Ospreys: 96% Kestrels: 96%

Week beginning Monday 13th October:

Owls: 100% Ospreys: 99% Kestrels: 99%

News & Notes

SECONDARY APPLICATIONS

For parents of children in Year 6, please note that the deadline for applying for a secondary school place is 31st October. You can apply online here:

www.cumberland.gov.uk/schools-and-education/apply-school-place-or-change-schools/apply-secondary-school-place

MEET MR LAKIN

There will be an opportunity to meet my successor Mr Robert Lakin at 6:30pm next Wednesday 22nd October. I'm delighted that I will be handing over the reigns to a practitioner with a wealth of experience - the school will be in good hands.

You are invited to come along to find out more about Mr Lakin's experience and vision and to ask any questions that you might have.

PCSO VISIT

It's always a pleasure to welcome PCSO Graham Kirkpatrick who spoke with the children on Tuesday 14th October about safety on Halloween and Bonfire Night. I encourage a follow-up conversation at home to remind children about key safety messages.

BREAKFAST & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please see the separate letter - clubs are available both before and after school, upon the return on 3rd November. We kindly ask for advance booking for all wraparound provision.

PARENTS' EVENING

Please save the date of **Wed 12th Nov** on which you are invited to meet with your child's class teacher after the school day. Please look out for the separate letter and appointment booking form.



DIARY DATES

Thu 23rd Oct - Nasal flu vaccine (Rec-Y6)

Fri 24th Oct - Last day before half term

Mon 3rd Nov - Return to school

Mon 10th Nov - Play In A Day (Kestrels)

Wed 12th Nov - Parent Consultation Evening