



# Bowness-on-Solway Primary School Newsletter



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## Photo Day

Children, remember to brush your teeth and practise your smile before school next **Friday (8<sup>th</sup> October)** as it is photo day! Individual and family photos will be taken in the morning. Siblings who don't attend Bowness School can come for a family pic from 8:30am.

## Harvest Festival

What a pleasure it was to welcome so many of you back into school for our Harvest Festival celebrations on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Each class shared a short performance and this was followed by our resident auctioneer Ian Grainger doing a great job of extracting funds from a generous audience for our school charity, raising an incredible £267.50!

**On The Buses** From this **Monday (4<sup>th</sup> October)**, the bus picking up at Whitrigg, Anthorn and Cardurnock will be operated by Caldew Coaches. New passes have been posted out.

**Music Mark** We are proud to have been nominated for the *Music Mark*. This is awarded to schools in recognition of their "commitment to providing high-quality music education." All children at Bowness learn to play a musical instrument which provides them with a great life skill. Studies have found that music learning improves attainment in other subjects including maths, English and science.



## Musical Instruments

On the subject of music, Miss Kenyon has asked us to send the instruments home on Fridays. Please encourage children to practise over the weekends (perhaps when the neighbours are out!) using their *Charanga* login and bring the instruments back in on Mondays. Also check your emails for details of The Carlisle Youth Concert Band which practises on Thursdays at Trinity School.

## Dare I Mention... Christmas?



It may be barely October but we have some dates for you: We are delighted that, following changes to national guidance, Christmas celebrations should be able to go ahead. Please make a note of these provisional December dates:

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**, 13:30: Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity.

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup>**, 13:30: Key Stage 2 (Years 3-6) Christmas Extravaganza.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**: Reception to Year 6 will visit The Sands Centre to enjoy *Cinderella*.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>**: This is also the last day of term for us as we are taking the additional bank holiday (to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee) on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December.

## October

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>**: Nasal flu vaccines for all.

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> (am)**: Individual and family photos.

**Wed 20<sup>th</sup>**: Class 3 & 4 visit to Carlisle Castle.

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**: Dress-up day.



## Macmillan Coffee Morning

What a wonderful turnout for this charity event! It was great to have the school open to families. We clearly have many talented bakers! I struggled to move following the somewhat excessive consumption but it was a price worth paying, as we raised a whopping £350 for a very worthy cause. Thank you for your generosity.

**School Council** Each class has elected school councillors who will make important decisions and lead on charity work across the school year. I have no doubt that they will carry out their duties with great care.