



# Bowness-on-Solway Primary School Newsletter



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## The School Year 2022-23

With only a few weeks of the current school year to go, we look ahead to September and how things will look from the autumn term. I will set out the class structure below. Note that we are going with class names, based on native birds of prey.

Class Name	Year Groups	Staffing
Owls	Preschool, Reception, Year 1	Miss Story, Miss Paisley, Pat
Ospreys	Years 2, 3 and 4	Miss Edwards, Mrs Misselbrook, Elaine, Pat
Kestrels	Years 5 and 6	Miss Graham, Mr Walsh, Mrs Misselbrook

We are extremely fortunate to have such a high ratio of staff to pupils, especially with such small class sizes. Our staffing is somewhat flexible, meaning most of our staff actually work with multiple classes across the week, and our teaching assistants often work with small groups and 1:1 with individual pupils as well as teaching lessons to year groups.

Of course, we retain our outstanding non-teaching staff: our school administrator Mrs Cozens, our cook Mrs Warnock and our cleaner Mrs Osgood. We anticipate retaining all of the talented visiting staff who currently work with us to support the delivery of music and PE.



## Nelson Thomlinson Visit

What a pleasure it was for our staff to take children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to NTS for the athletics festival! This was a great experience for our younger children. I'm sure you won't need me to tell you that their attitudes were exemplary and that they were fantastic ambassadors for our school!

## Diary Dates

With so much happening in school, here is a reminder of some key dates:



<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June, 13:30</b>	Sports Day – families are invited. Backup date: Fri 1st July, 9:30.
<b>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Move-up day – pupils will spend today in their new classes. Note that <b>Year 6</b> pupils are at NTS on <b>both Mon 4<sup>th</sup> and Tue 5<sup>th</sup> July</b> .
<b>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Whole School</b> trip to The Lake District Wildlife Park – see separate letter.
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 13:30</b>	Leavers' production! Children from Reception upwards will form the supporting cast, with our older pupils taking centre stage. All invited!
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July, 13:30</b>	Leavers' assembly and final day of the school year. Again, all are invited to the assembly to give them a good send off.
<b>Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September</b>	The new school year begins.

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## Uniform and PE Kit

Here is a reminder of our school uniform:

- Blue or red sweatshirt / cardigan;
- White, pale blue or red polo shirt;
- Grey or black trousers or shorts;
- Grey or black skirt;
- Black shoes.

Summer alternative:

- School summer dress in red or blue gingham.

PE Kit:

- Plain white shirt;
- Navy or black shorts;
- Plain black trainers or plimsolls.

Outdoor PE:

- Dark jogging bottoms;
- Plain black trainers.

Please ensure that you child's uniform follows this policy.

Uniform can be ordered from the school office.

## Queen Elizabeth II Book

All children of statutory school age nationwide are receiving, through schools, a copy of the above to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee. They will be sent home with pupils next week.



## Leavers' Production

A reminder that pupils in Classes 3 and 4 will take part in this performance on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July** at 13:30 as we mark the end of the year and say goodbye to our oldest children.

Years 5 & 6 will take the lead, with Years 2, 3 and 4 providing supporting roles.

Children in Reception and Year 1 will make a brief appearance in the form of small cameo roles.

All are welcome to come and join us in the audience but please be aware that the main speaking parts in the leavers' play are traditionally taken by our older children.



## Swimming

This coming **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June** will be the final swimming lesson of the year for our Class 3 and Class 4 pupils. Children have made tremendous progress and have greatly enjoyed the sessions.

## Sun Protection

We have had some hot days this week (although we are now forecast a lot of rain over the coming week!).

Please check that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and ensure that they have got a sun hat and sun cream on days when strong sunshine is forecast.

