

# May 2024

#### **Dear Parents and Carers.**

As we move into the Summer term, we are planning school trips and various events. In June, Year 6 will be going to Liverpool for their residential and other classes will also go on trips. We are very grateful for the funding from Orcina as this contribution helps to lower the overall cost of the trips and enrich the curriculum.

#### SATs

Year 6 will be taking their SATs (standard assessment tests) in a week's time. They have been well prepared by the staff and should take them in their stride. Mrs Newby makes sure that the children have lots of opportunities to do different activities in the afternoons to relax and have fun.

As you may be aware, the SATs for Year 2 are no longer statutory and there will not be any formal assessments this year.

### Weather

At last, the weather seems to be improving! In warm and sunny weather, please remember to send in sun hats and sun cream. Please note that staff are not allowed to apply sun cream to children. Some parents choose the once a day variety for the younger children so that it can be applied at home.

### **Ascension Day**

We are hoping to be able to continue our tradition of marking Ascension Day on Thursday 9th May. We will have an assembly in Church at 9.10am and then walk up Hoad Hill. Please ensure that children have suitable shoes and a coat on the day. The walk will only take place if the weather is fine. Families are welcome to join us for the assembly and the walk.

### Water Awareness Workshops.

Staff from Brockhole Visitor Centre are working in connection with United Utilities to deliver water awareness workshops in schools. They will visit each class on 7th June.





## Dates for the rest of this term

Monday 6th May **Bank Holiday** Thursday 9th May Ascension Day Assembly and walk up Hoad 9.10am Families welcome Year 6 SATs Week beginning 13th May Week beginning 20th May Walk to School Week Week beginning 13th May Parent -teacher meetings for Birkrigg Class Week beginning 20th May Parent -teacher meetings for Hoad Class Tuesday 21st May Year 2 Multiskills event Friday 24th May **Birkrigg Pirate Day** Monday 27th to Friday 31st May Half term

Weeks beginning 3rd and 10th June Parent -teacher meetings for Newlands and Year 5 Wednesday 5th June Newlands to take part in Peter and the Wolf concert Thursday 6th June Year 5 and 6 have a Spanish session at UVHS Friday 7th June All classes to have workshops about water awareness Sunday 9th June St Mary's Parish Gala Wednesday 12th June Sports Day 9.30am—11.30am Wednesday 19th June to Friday 21st June Year 6 go to Liverpool Wednesday 26th June Infant trip Monday 1st and Tuesday 2ndJuly Year 6 go to UVHS Monday 1st July Year 5 trip **Tuesday 2nd July** Transition morning in school Thursday 18th July Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2 15pm School finishes for Summer holidays at 1.15pm Friday 19th July

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