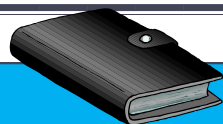


DATES FOR DIARIES



Friday 8th July, 2.45pm	Year 1 Class Assembly
Tuesday 12th July, 1.30pm	KS1 Sports Day, UVHS
Thursday 14th July, 9.10am	KS1 Celebration Assembly
Friday 15th July, 9.10am	KS2 Celebration Assembly
Friday 15th July, pm	PTA Summer Fair
Tuesday 19th July, 1.30pm	KS2 Sports Day, SJB
Tuesday 19th July, 5.30pm—7.30pm	Year 6 Leavers Party, Custom House
Wednesday 20th July, pm	Year 6 Strawberry Tea
Thursday 21st July	Last Day of Summer Term
Monday 5th September	Children return to school

LIGHTBURN PARK PROJECT

Pupils from SJB are working with Groundwork Cumbria and Friends of Lightburn Park to help suggest improvements to be undertaken at Lightburn Park. Ideas from how to improve signage through to facilities and play equipment have been discussed in class. Children will also be taking part in the building of bird boxes and mini-beast homes to be used at the park to encourage wildlife to the area. This is a great chance for our children to have an impact on the local environment and understand the importance of caring for wildlife.

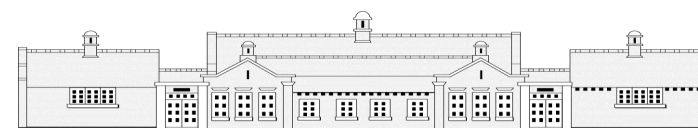
We will post regular updates on the school blog at
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Ulverston Carnival

JULY 2016

We had a fun afternoon at Ulverston Carnival on Saturday and overall avoided the rain.

Many, many thanks to all those who turned up and to those who worked behind the scenes to make it possible. A very special thank you to our sewing machinists. We know who you are now!!



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Sports Days

Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 Sports Day

Tuesday 12th July, 1.30pm at Ulverston Victoria High School

This year we are holding our Infants Sports Day at Ulverston Victoria High School so the children can take part in lots of fun activities on the grass. There will even be a grown-ups race too! We look forward to a successful afternoon and hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us. Please see letter issued on Tuesday 5th July 2016 for full details.

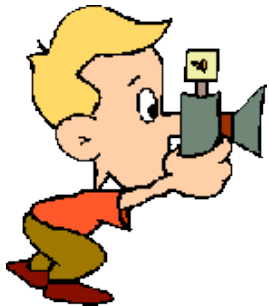
Junior Sports Day—Tuesday 19th July, 1.30pm at SJB

Unfortunately we had to cancel our Junior Sports Day on Tuesday 28th June due to poor weather conditions.

This will now be held on our reserve date of Tuesday 19th July at SJB (unfortunately UVHS is no longer available). We really hope the weather will be kind to us.

Full details will follow on Monday 11th July.

Class/Group Photos



Please note the deadline for ordering Class Photos is **Monday 11th July**.

The photographs are on display outside the Year 6 classroom and Nursery/ Reception classrooms. The cost is £8.00. Order forms are available from the school office.

Reports

Your child will have received their end of year report this week, following the publication of the Year 6 SAT results. If you would like to speak to your child's class teacher please make an appointment through the office.



Thank you

Feedback

We value your feedback, whether it is through questionnaires, Governor coffee and chat or other forms of communication in school. We appreciate it when you tell us what you think we are doing well and we reflect on anything you suggest we could improve. You will be automatically be entered into a prize draw for a **£30** voucher on receipt of your questionnaire.

Here are a few things you have discussed with us(more to follow):

Homework

In order to communicate more effectively on homework this year, we organised introductory meetings with class teachers at the beginning of the year. Homework is an area in which parent/carers have different opinions. Some parents feel there should be more whilst others less. In order to address this and ensure homework most effectively supports children's learning at SJB we reviewed our policy and made the following decisions. Each year group will have age-related weekly homework which links directly to basic skills. This is compulsory and essential homework including regular reading, maths learn its and Big Talk homework. However, optional homework is also set through the year, particularly in KS2, encompassing the wider curriculum. This is often project based, requiring problem solving and allowing for greater creativity. We made provision for a homework club but there was very little demand. Please let your child's current class teacher know if this is something your child would be interested in in September.

Communication

You asked that we try to give you more notice about events in school. We have tried this year to make sure any pre-booked events are on the newsletter calendar and where possible give you increased notice of assemblies and other events. We will continue to work on this and hope you have seen an improvement. Sometimes we are informed of events last minute. We will often still seek to run with these events where possible as we like to take every opportunity given to us.