

SIR JOHN BARROW SCHOOL



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WEEKLY SNIPPETS

Friday 4th April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

There are lots of pages today, so put the kettle on and enjoy the read!

This week Year 3 and Year 4 completed their Forest Schools programme. They built a fire for a Kelly Kettle and boiled the water to make a hot drink. Please take a look at the photos further down.

If you possibly can, please take advantage of the **cut price swimming** offers (see below) over the holidays. In an area with so many lakes it's so important to be safe around water. More to the point, it's really good fun.

There has been lots of quizzing fun in the run up to the holidays. On Thursday we took part in an **Easter Spelling Competition** organised by Mr Maher and this morning Mr Maher set us a series of challenging **Quiz** questions with an Easter theme.

Attendance: This morning we were delighted to give out certificates for 100% attendance. Well done to all those children. We are pleased to report that attendance is improving across school. Thank you to everyone who is working with us, **Late arrivals:** In the autumn term we lost 65 hours of learning time due to lates. This term has been better - 51 hours lost - but I think we can all agree this is still far too much time.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Sponsored Read - we are so impressed by your efforts. So far we have raised an **absolutely amazing £1249**. Any last minute sponsorship can still come into the office.

We return to school on Tuesday 22nd April. Y5 are getting next term off to a great start as they are visiting Jodrell Bank. This is part of their science and English curriculum.

Wishing you a very happy Easter Holiday.
Mrs Fletcher and the SJB Team

Donations: We are running short of spare navy/black jogging trousers and PE tops. Any outgrown spares would be very much appreciated. Socks are also very handy. Thank you.

Dates for Diaries - Week commencing: Monday 21st April	
Mon	Bank Holiday Monday
Tues	Year 6 Grammar Club 3.15-4pm
Wed	KS2 Athletics 8-8:40 Yr 5/6 Dance Club 3:15-4:15 Springwatch 3:15-4:15 KS2 Dance Club 3:15-4:15 pm
Thur	Rugby 8am-8:40 Maths clubs 3:15-4pm cancelled Mr Maher at orienteeing Performance Club 3:15-4:15
Fri	KS2 Running club - Year 5 & 6 Multi-sports 3:15-4pm Year 3 and 4 Football Club 3:15-4pm



SJB Key dates for Summer Term:

- 22nd April Y5 Trip
- 12th - 15th May SATs week
- 23rd May - KS2 Sports Day
- 9th -13th June - Phonics Screening Check
- 20th June - KS1 and Reception Sports Day
- 26th June - Y3 trip to Hadrian's Wall
- 26th and 27th June - Matilda at UVHS
- 30th June and 1st July - Year 6, UVHS transition day
- 1st July - Moving up morning
- 5th July -Summer Fair
- 14th July - Y6 Haverthwaite party
- 17th July Y6 leavers' assembly am and pizza at school 4pm
- TBC: Lots of leavers' parties,
- TBC: Summer term school trips

Packed Lunches

This week we have reminded all the children about our rule that anything left from a packed lunch must go home. We have been increasingly worried that children are putting sandwiches and other healthy items in the bin in favour of biscuits and sweets.

Drinks in school

Just a reminder that children should only have **water** in their bottles during the school day. They may have a drink of juice or squash in their dinner box if they have a packed lunch.



THIS WEEK'S PLAY UPDATE:

At Sir John Barrow we value the importance of quality play and aim for playtimes to be active, creative, social and fun.

See below some of the fun things we've been doing this week!

**The Golden Welly award
this week goes to...**



The Golden Welly celebrates respectful and kind behaviour at playtimes.



Fun photos!



Role play and Home corner fun



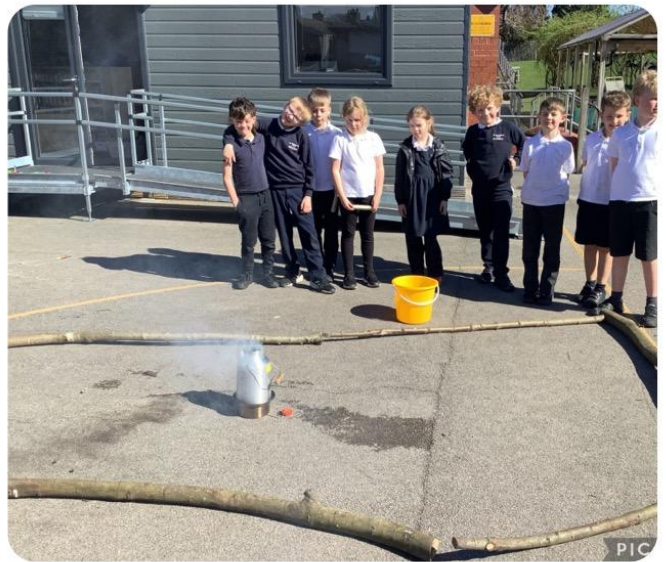
Mud Kitchen delights!



Getting creative with Loose Parts Play!

Donations

This term we are looking for donations of baby dolls and pushchairs. Please let the office know if you have any of these items. If you are interested in offering practical skills like painting or cleaning to help maintain our playground please also give your name to the office.







Ulverston Leisure Centre (Ulverston Leisure Centre)



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Kids Swim for £1 is back this Easter Half Term 🏊‍♂️🏊‍♀️
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Join us every Monday 9am-9.50am and Thursday 8.50am-9.40am to take advantage of this unique offering.



KIDS SWIM FOR £1

10p swims

BOOK NOW!

7th - 11th April 2025
11am - 12pm
1pm-2pm

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🏊‍♂️ 10p Swims Are Back for the Holidays! 🌊

Looking for a fun and affordable way to stay active with friends and family this holiday? Our 10p swims are the perfect way to make a splash! 💧

📅 From April 7th to April 11th
🕒 Session Times: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Spots are filling up fast, so don't miss out—secure your place today!

👉 Book your 10p swim now:
<https://barrowleisure.co.uk/swimming/>
📞 Or call us at 01229 871146

See you at the pool! 🌊🌟



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Worried About Kids & Smartphones?

*Join our community meet-up
to create positive change*



✓ **Getting smartphones out of local schools**

Learn how Settlebeck School successfully implemented a phone collection policy

✓ **Delaying smartphones without social fallout**

Practical strategies from parents who've done it successfully

✓ **Safer tech habits for kids who already have phones**

Evidence-based approaches to reduce harmful effects

✓ **Supporting each other to make meaningful change**

Building a local parent network for collective action

Date: Sunday, 6th April

Time: 3:00pm - 5:00pm

Cost: £2 (for venue hire and refreshments)

Location: Ulverston Parish Church

Note: Just a venue - no religious affiliation

Audience: All parents from local primary and secondary schools

👥 **We need YOUR voice! Bring a friend and help create positive change for our children.**

Based on research from SmartphoneFreeChildhood.co.uk and successful local school policies



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FOR YEAR 4
TO YEAR 6

SCHOOLS SERIES

LAKELAND ORIENTEERING CLUB



THURSDAYS
FROM
3:30PM



TWO
COURSES
AT EACH
EVENT

APRIL
24

ULVERSTON LEISURE
CENTRE

MAY
1

CARTMEL WOODS

MAY
15

BROCKHOLE

MAY
22

FELL FOOT PARK



£2 ENTRY



FAMILIES ALSO
VERY WELCOME
TO COME ALONG
INDEPENDENTLY

All entries must be made by email at least 48 hours ahead of each event

jerry56p@gmail.com

Adult Learning

Eggs-traordinary Easter Fun



Tuesday 15th April

10.00am - 12.00pm

1 week

Kendal Library

Led by Karen, our fully qualified
Family Learning tutor

Have some eggs-traordinary fun making simple Easter crafts alongside your child.

Learn how creative play can aid school readiness skills such as attention, fine motor skills, hand and eye coordination, problem solving, communication, emotional well-being and confidence.

To book a place please visit our website at:

<https://adultlearning.cumbria.gov.uk/centres/kendal.asp>

Or: **01539 713257** or **07966116905**

email: Kendaladultlearning@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk



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The Westmorland and Furness Holiday Activities and Food Programme

South Lakes Area



Book sessions in your area now!

- Visit www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/holidays to search the range of activities available.
- Bookings will work on a first-come-first served basis - and are subject to availability.
- Dates are liable to change, please contact the activity provider for more information.
- Some activity providers offer transport. This information will be provided on the activity's website above.

Who is it for?

- The Holiday Activity Programme is aimed at all statutory school-age children and young people (Reception-Year 11).
- Places are FREE for eligible children due to funding from the Department for Education – a maximum of 4 activities per eligible child throughout Easter.
- Funded places are for young people who receive benefits-related Free School Meals and other eligible children in particular circumstances.
- All children who attend will be provided with a meal.
- Interested in any of the activities listed in this leaflet? Visit westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/holidays to book holiday activities now! Or use the booking information provided.
- To book a place you must provide your child's HAF code. For any enquiries, to check your child's eligibility status or to request a code, please email: HAF@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk
- Many of our providers cater for children with additional needs, please contact the provider to discuss your child's needs and suitability of the session. We want to offer the best possible experience for all children. If your child has any additional needs that make them vulnerable or challenge them in a group situation where they do not know other children or the adults at the provision, please tell the provider and include any extra help that they find beneficial:
- If you are not eligible for a funded place many providers offer paid places - please contact them to discuss your options.



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Coach Gunn: QES Sports Hall, Biggins Road, Kirkby Lonsdale, Carnforth

Description: Activities include multi sports, fun games, bouncy castle, inflatable obstacle course, Zorbs, parachute games, supervised free play, archery, NERF, UV Games, mini golf, Kurling, Lego, Let's Craft plus lots more fun and creative activities! Various hot lunch options with healthy snacks included. Universal holiday club activity days (open to Reception to Y8 children) delivering action packed sessions filled with the children's favourite activities in a safe & secure indoor & outdoor environment encouraging ALL attending children to make the most of each day having #FUNwithFriends providing active trusted childcare for working families plus treat days for families looking for fun full/half day activities for their child to attend and keep active in the holidays.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 7 - 13 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th April @ 9am - 4pm, with extended hours 8am - 5pm

Booking Information: 07912 178917, coachmarkgunn@gmail.com

Community Sports Arenas: Ulverston Victoria High School, Springfield Road, Ulverston

Description: Holiday sports camps. Our partnered professionals, Onside Sports will provide action packed days of sport for your children. Children will participate in various sporting activities throughout the day, working both as an individual and as part of teams. As part of the day children will also learn about nutrition and the importance and impact this has in daily life and sport. Onside Sports will provide a safe environment for your child to learn, develop and enjoy the activities. Participants will receive a healthy nutritious packed lunch as part of the day.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4 -11 years

Dates & times: 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 9am - 3pm

Booking Information: info@communitysportsarenas.co.uk, 07887 709972





Genius Tuition: Ghyllside Primary School, Gillingate, Kendal

Description: Arts and crafts sessions including bracelet making, painting, fashion show, easter egg hunt, cinema trip, football skills, dodgeball, dance session.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 5 - 13 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th April @ 10am - 2pm

Booking Information: www.geniustuition.co.uk/holiday-activities, 03303 110860, haf@geniustuition.co.uk

GLL Kendal Leisure Centre: Kendal Leisure Centre, Burton Road, Kendal

Description: Multisports and craft Activity Days with a focus on team games and healthy living. To include: healthy eating activities, crafts around recycling and reusing and ways to help the environment.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4-11 years

Dates & times: 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th @ 9am – 2pm

Booking Information: Mandy.Coates@gll.org,

Grange-Over-Sands Community Food Share: Main Street, Grange-Over-Sands

Description: We offer four days of Activity Clubs in our Community Foodstore across the Easter Holidays, for all the family with a seasonal arts activity, games session and a food share for all the holidays' lunches. We will provide a hot lunch, a games session and Easter craft!

SEND Available: Yes

Age Range: Up to 16 years

Dates & times: 5th, 12th, 19th @ 11am - 3pm, 20th April @ 12pm - 4pm (20th is at an alternative venue - Community Garden, Collinfield Farm, Cartmel Fell, Grange-Over-Sands)

Booking Information: Twbs2020@gmail.com – transport assistance may be available, please contact provider to discuss

Kendal Rugby Club: Mintbridge, Shap Road, Kendal

Description: We will be taking part in multi sports activity & dance. An opportunity to build confidence in teamwork, resilience & problem-solving skills learning about healthy eating along with being creative making summer inspired crafts and cards

SEND Available: Yes

Age Range: 7 - 11 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th, 14th, 15th April @ 9:30am - 1:30pm

Booking Information: 01539734039 info@kendalrugby.co.uk

M&T Adventures: Little Urswick, Ulverston

Description: We are offering a variety of 3-day, 2 day and single day events over the Easter holidays. Activities include canoeing, climbing, abseiling, map skills, campfire cooking.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age range: 5 – 16 years

Dates & times: 3-day events - 7th to 9th April, 2-day events - 14th to 15th April, 1 day events – 10th, 11th, 16th, 17th April @ 9:30am - 4pm

Pick up & drop off times: Ulverston Kiosk 8.45am / 4.20pm

Activities start 9.30am - 4pm

Booking information: Call 07973 437521 or email info@mandtadventures.co.uk

NAB Cottage: Ambleside Parish Centre, Vicarage Road, Ambleside

Description: An amazing inclusive environment where children feel safe to play, exercise and learn.

NAB HAF will be offering a wide range of activities to include craft using only recycled materials to give the children an understanding of how producing materials can have an impact on the environment. We also offer a hour of vigorous exercise which includes running, skipping, ball games and group participation. Our aim also is to promote a healthy lifestyle by not only providing nutritional meals but to understand food groups and ensure a 5 a day approach. The children always get involved in making their own fruit kebabs and often pizzas from homemade dough and fresh toppings.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 4- 11 years

Dates & times: 7th, 8th, 9th, 16th April @ 11am - 3pm

Booking Information: 07832995390, Emrichardson@live.co.uk

Oaklea Trust: Waste into Wellbeing, The Eddington, 106A Highgate, Kendal

Description: 3 days of Holiday Activity & Food Programme including a hot meal at lunchtime; games and craft activities. Creative and enrichment activities as a group, work on food preparation skills and cookery skills improving confidence and independence. Physical activities such as outdoor walks, play equipment, and dancing. Meal Included.

7th & 14th - cook along at Waste into Wellbeing

11th - Multi Activity day - Easter Themed

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 5 to 18

Dates & times: 7th, 11th, 14th April @ 10am - 2pm

Booking Information: 01539 735 025 enquiries@oakleatrust.co.uk

RAGTAG Arts: Unit 16 Mealbank in d est, Kendal

Description: Join us for a week of fun and imagination! Each day brings a new creative adventure, where children explore different artistic activities and take breaks in our exciting loose parts play space. Don't miss out on a week of hands-on creativity and endless fun!

15th - Ceramics – Craft your own mini world with clay!

16th - Easter Crafts – Make wreaths, mobiles, and more!

17th - Junk Modeling – Create amazing animal sculptures from scrap materials!

18th - Pop-Up Books – Design and bring your own story to life!

SEND Available: Yes, limited number of places

Age Range: 5 - 11 years

Dates & times: 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th April @ 10am - 3pm

Booking Information: Book through website: www.ragtagarts.co.uk, 01539 232552, info@ragtagarts.co.uk

YMCA: YMCA Lakeside, Newby Bridge, Ulverston

Description: Day camps for children aged 7 to 15 years, in three age groups, consisting of a four-day week. The focus will be on outdoor activities to keep your child challenged and entertained.

From kayaking and sailing to fell walking and abseiling, there's something for everyone. More information can be found on our website <https://lakesideymca.co.uk/day-camps/>

Transport for HAF bookings is included on the available route: Barrow > Dalton > Ulverston > Greenodd > Lakeside – please discuss with provider.

SEND Available: Yes, please contact us to discuss your child's needs.

Age Range: 7 - 15 years

Dates & times: 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th April @ 7:45am - 5:30pm

Booking Information: <https://lakesideymca.cinolla.com/lakeside/> or 015394390000 (option 1)





EASTER HOLIDAYS

**TUESDAY
15TH**



**MULTI SPORTS FOR AGES 4+
9.30-12 ST MARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**WEDNESDAYS
9TH/16TH**



**ACTIVITY DAY FOR AGES 4+
9.30-3 LOW FURNESS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**THURSDAYS
10TH/17TH**



**RUGBY CAMP FOR AGES 5+ (10TH)
9-12 ULVERSTON RUGBY PITCH
FOOTBALL CAMP FOR AGES 5+ (17TH)
10-3 ST MARYS PRIMARY SCHOOL
LITTLE BALLERS- 10TH/17TH
1-1.30 FORD PARK**



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