

Tatham Fells CE Primary School

Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

February 2024



Dear families,

It has been a very exciting week in school for our Junior children who travelled to Manchester to take part in the Young Voices concert. The concert was amazing and the children had a fantastic time. As always, we are very proud of how well they represented the school when out and about - well done Juniors!

We have lots to look forward to next half term with World Book Day, football and gymnastics competitions & a day at Leck for the Infants.

Enjoy a restful half term.

Yours truly,

Fiona Ip

Headteacher

Parents Afternoon Tuesday 5th March

We are looking forward to sharing your children's learning with you at our parents afternoon on Tuesday 5th March. The booking form will be released on school spider on Monday 19th February. If you would prefer a telephone appointment please email Rebecca (bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk) to arrange it. All appointments will be 5 minutes long but if longer is needed, a follow up can be arranged.

World Book Day

It's that time again! Thursday 7th March is World Book Day, we invite all children to dress up as a book character for the day! The children will be writing about the character they have chosen.

Costumes don't have to be expensive or complicated - there are so many characters to choose from, we look forward to seeing how creative the children can be!

KS2 Football Tournament

We will be taking part in the Lune Valley Football tournament at Arkholme on Wednesday 13th March. Further details to follow

Lent Day @ Leck

The Infants will be visiting our friends at Leck Primary School on Tuesday 19th March to take part in a Lent activity Day. Further details to follow.

KS2 Acro Gymnastics Competition

The Lune Valley Acro Gymnastics competition takes place at the end of March. We will be entering a team of gymnasts from KS2. Children who would like to be considered for a place on the team will need to be available after school on Wednesdays for training sessions. These will start on Wednesday 21st February 3-4pm.

Domino Drive

Tatham Fells Village Society is hosting a Domino Drive in the Old School, Lowgill on Saturday 17th February at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be available. All are welcome.

Gardeners Question Time is taking place in church on Friday 8th March at 6pm, questions for the experts are welcome - details can be found on the notice board outside school.

Little Explorers

Our Little Explorers Forest School toddler sessions continue every Friday (in term time) 1.15pm - 2.30pm. All toddlers and their parents/carers are most welcome!

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Forest School

Our Forest School Sessions with Mrs Entwistle continue on Fridays next half term. The rota is as follows:

23rd February - Infants

1st March - Infants

8th March - Year 3 & 4

15th March - Year 3 & 4

22nd March - Year 3 & 4

Junior children should bring long trousers and a top to change into.

All Junior children need waterproofs if they have them please!

School Day

Our school day starts at 8.30am, drop off at the gate is between 8.20am - 8.30am. If you arrive after this time, please bring your child to the main entrance, thank you.

Early drop off is available from 8am (please do not arrive before this time) at the cost of 50p per child.

The school day finishes at 3pm.

DINNER ORDERING / MONEY

All balances are now available to view and pay via School Spider. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your invoice, please speak to Mrs Ip or Mrs Mason in confidence.

Please check your parent account for outstanding invoices. Thank you

ASC/8am Drop Off:

As above, select the dates required and complete the booking at the payment page.

If you haven't made a booking in advance your child will be manually added to the system and an invoice will be generated.

If you have any difficulty accessing the system please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

School Uniform

Please could all children keep a pair of wellington boots in school. They also need a pair of trainers for PE and outside play.

Long hair must be tied back at all times. We allow the children to wear plain stud earrings, but ask that the children do not wear earrings on the days of PE or swimming lessons.

All items of clothing must be named please.

School Uniform is supplied by the Uniform & Leisurewear company at Lancaster.

School Spider App

Please ensure you have downloaded the 'School Spider' app so you can make bookings/payments, complete surveys & permissions and receive messages from school. We use School Spider most days so it is important that you are able to access your parent account. Please contact the school office if you need any help logging in.

PE Kit - Children should wear PE kit (with school shoes) on the following days please:

Infants

Wednesday - PE lesson & Thursday - RugbyTots

Juniors

Tuesday & Wednesday - PE Lesson

After School Clubs This Half Term

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Monday 3.15-5pm - ASC & 3-4pm Lil Beatz Dance Club

Tuesday 3.15-5pm - ASC

Wednesday 3.15-5pm - ASC

Please book online via the School Spider App or by emailing bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk

£2.50 per child/ session

Absence Reporting & Attendance

****Absences can now be reported via the School Spider app****

If your child is going to be absent from school please leave a phone message or email bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk before 9am on the day of each absence. If a phone call/email is not received we will need to call you during the morning to find out where they are as part of our safeguarding responsibility.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 5th March 1.15-4pm - Parents Afternoon

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day (dress as a character from a book)

Wednesday 13th March - KS2 Football Tournament @ Arkholme

Thursday 14th March - School Photographs

Tuesday 19th March - KS1 Lent Day @ Leck

Wednesday 27th March - KS2 Acro Gymnastics competition

Friday 3rd May 2.30pm - May Day Celebration (Maypole)

Wednesday 5th June 1.30pm - Sports Day (RESERVE Wednesday 19th June)

Monday 10th - Friday 14th June - Year 5 & 6 Isle of Man Trip

Tuesday 25th June - Wednesday 26th June - Year 3 & 4 Borwick Hall residential

Wednesday 10th July 2pm - Summer Performance

Thursday 11th July 6pm - Summer Performance

Thursday 18th July 11am - Leavers Service (at Church) & Leavers Picnic (all welcome) 12noon

