

Tatham Fells CE Primary School

Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

November 2024



We have had another busy week in school and the children have enjoyed making a start on Christmas crafts for our Fair and Christmas in the Mart!

Families and friends are invited to join us for our Remembrance Service at the memorial in Lowgill at 10:50 am on Monday 11th November.

There is a lot happening over the next few weeks, please keep an eye out for updates and messages on the School Spider app!

Lune Valley Tag Rugby - Monday 11th November

Team details have been sent via School Spider.

The children will travel to Wray by bus but due to timings (the bus having a pre-booked school run) they will need to be picked up from Wray after the tournament please. We expect the event to finish at approximately 3pm. If you have another child at school to collect we will wait with them at school until you are able to get here.

Children will need:

Packed Lunch

PE kit

Waterproof coat

Studded boots are recommended (no metal studs)

Water bottle

The conditions will be muddy!

Loaves & Fishes - Wednesday 13th November

3-5pm, £2.50 per child, payable on the day.

Please sign up via School Spider.

Lancashire Healthy Young People & Families Year 6 Health Needs Assessment Questionnaire

Year 6 will be taking part in this on 14th November 2024. If you do not wish your child to complete the questionnaire or you would like to speak to the school nursing team please contact them directly on 0300 247 0040 - Option 2 - North and Lancaster area. Thank you

National Height & Weight Measurement Programme - Reception & Year 6

Will take place in school on Thursday 14th November. Please see the spider email for full details & how to opt out.

BBC Children in Need - Friday 15th November

Children are invited to wear spotty / stripy/ bright clothes on Friday 15th November for a donation of £1 to Children in Need. Thank you!

Swimming Gala

We will be taking a team of children from KS2 to take part in the Lune Valley swimming gala at Heysham on Wednesday 27th November. Details to follow.

LIFE EDUCATION VISIT

The Life Education team will be visiting school on Thursday 28th delivering personal, social and health wellbeing sessions.

Thursday Dance Club

Rosie from Lil Beatz dance school will be with us on Thursday afternoons after half term. She is running an after school dance club from 3-4pm. All children are welcome to join in. Please sign up via School spider, thank you.

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Forest School

Our Junior class will be taking part in forest school on Fridays this half term. They will need:

Long trousers

Long Sleeved Top

Wellies

Waterproof coat (& trousers if they have some)

Can you help?

Our School Council are hoping you can help us with our Christmas preparations. We are planning our Christmas crafts for the fair and we are in need of a few items. If you have any of the following we would be extremely grateful:

Dark green felt

Old Jenga games

Christmas style fabric in red, green, gold, tartan etc

Thank you!

School Admissions

School admissions are open for children due to start primary school in September 2025 at:

[School admissions - Lancashire County Council](#)

Applications should be made through your local council, even if you are applying for a school in another council area.

Primary school applications must be submitted by 15th January 2025.

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.

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

DINNER ORDERING / MONEY

If your KS2 child has school dinners the cost is £2.70 per day. If you believe your child is eligible for free school meals, please go to the Lancashire County Council website: Free school meals and pupil premium

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

Please check your parent account for outstanding invoices. Thank you

PE

We will be playing hockey this half term - gum shields and shin pads are recommended.

All children should bring their PE kit to change into on the following days (the kit can be kept in school for the week/half term):

Wednesday & Thursday

Please could all children have a spare pair of socks (& joggers/leggings for KS1) in school. Thank you

Absence Reporting & Attendance

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

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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

Monday 11th November 10.50am - Remembrance - Lowgill
Monday 11th November pm - KS2 Tag Rugby @ Wray (TBC)
Wednesday 13th November 3 - 5pm - Loaves & Fishes Club
Thursday 14th November - Y6 Health Needs Q & R/Y6 Height & Weight
Friday 15th November - Children in Need (Wear something Spotty/Stripy or Bright!)
Thursday 28th November - Life Education Visit
Thursday 5th December, 2pm - Christmas Fair
Tuesday 10th December - Dukes Theatre 'The Borrowers'
Wednesday 11th December - Christmas Dinner & Party afternoon
Thursday 12th December 6pm - Nativity in Church
Friday 20th December 1.05pm - School Closes for Christmas
Monday 6th January 8.45am - School Reopens for the Spring Term

FRIENDS DIARY DATES

25th November, 3pm - AGM
29th November - Mufti Day in aid of school trips (£1)
27th November - Christmas Bingo
4th December - Bags 2 School collection
16th December - Christmas movie night