

Tatham Fells CE Primary School

Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

October 2022



Dear Families,

We have had a busy first few weeks in school, the children have got off to a flying start with our new Maths and English schemes, we are looking forward to sharing their learning with you at our parents afternoons later this term.

The children following the Read, Write Inc scheme will bring home their reading book every week and a book they have been working on in English. They should keep practising this book as well as their reading book to achieve real fluency.

Thank you for your donations to our harvest boxes, these will go to the Bentham Pop up Pantry. As always, your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Thank you to all who came to the family lunch on Thursday. The children really enjoyed it and were very excited to see you all in school.

Please join us at 2:50pm on Thursday afternoon for poetry followed by a cake sale, all are welcome.

Yours truly,

Fiona Ip

Headteacher

Poetry Afternoon

Families and friends are invited to join us on Thursday afternoon (13th October) at 2.50pm for poetry. Key Stage 2 will also be selling cakes they have made in DT, to raise money for their new baking equipment. We hope you are able to join us.

Edinburgh Residential 2023

We are excited to be planning a residential trip to Edinburgh next June for children in Years 5 & 6.

We hope to visit the following places:

Edinburgh Castle

The Scottish Parliament

Camera Obscura

Dynamic Earth

Scottish National Gallery

Payment of the £70 (non refundable) deposit for this trip is due today (Monday 10th October) please.

FLU VACCINATION PROGRAMME 2022

Flu vaccinations will take place in school on **17th October**. Consent is being managed online this year. Please complete the consent form even if you do not give consent for your child to have the vaccination. Thank you

Tag Rugby Tournament - Years 5&6

On Tuesday the 18th of October a team of children from Year 5 / 6 will be taking part in the Lune Valley Tag Rugby Tournament at Wray. Details will be sent home with the children who are taking part.

Wear What You Want Day!

Children are invited to wear what they want to school on Friday 21st October in exchange for an item for our Christmas Raffle Hampers. The Friends will also be holding a tuck shop after school!

Change of Circumstances

Please notify the School office of any changes to address, phone numbers or your child's medical needs. It is important that we have up to date information for your child. Thank you.

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The School Day

The school day starts at 8:30am, please ensure all children are here for a prompt start for the first lesson.

Registers will close at 8:40am - if your child arrives after this time please bring them to the front door and sign them in at the office.

Children can be dropped off between 8:15 and 8:30am and come straight into class. Early drop off is available every day from 8am, this does not need to be booked in advance, just bring your child to the front door & we will register them. This is charged at £1.00 per child/day, invoiced half termly.

After School Clubs this Half Term

Monday 3.15-5pm - ASC with Mrs Denby

Tuesday 3.15-5pm - ASC with Mrs Lowther

Wednesday 3.15-5pm - ASC with Mrs Speight

Thursday 3.15-4.15pm - Yoga & Mindfulness

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

Single sessions available



Absence Reporting & Attendance

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.

Whole School Attendance Target this half term - 96%

Year to Date Attendance Figures:

Whole School - 96.49%

FS/KS1 Attendance - 98.33%

KS2 Attendance - 95.19%

PE Reminder

PE lessons are on Wednesday afternoon. Children should come to school in their PE kit on Wednesdays - with school shoes please! Please could all children have a spare pair of socks (& joggers/leggings for KS1) in school. Thank you

DINNER MONEY

Please could we ask that all outstanding dinner monies are paid as soon as possible. We will be moving to a prepayment system after half term and need all accounts to have a zero balance before then. If you are experiencing difficulty paying your invoice please speak to Mrs Ip or Mrs Mason in confidence. Thank you

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS

School admissions are now open for children due to start primary or secondary school in September 2023 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.

Secondary school applications must be submitted by 31st October.

Primary school applications must be submitted by 15th January

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DIARY DATES:

Thursday 13th October 2:50pm - Poetry & Cake Sale

Monday 17th October - Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 18th October - Tag Rugby Tournament @ Wray

Friday 21st October - Wear what you Want Day (in exchange for a hamper item) & Tuck Shop