

# Tatham Fells CE Primary School

Roots to Grow, Wings to Fly & Faith to Flourish

November 2022



## Dear Families,

We have had a busy start to the half term, the children have been working really hard and are making excellent progress with our new Maths and English curriculum. We look forward to sharing their learning with you at our Parent meetings later this term.

There are two vacancies on our Governing Body for Parent Governors. Parent Governors are elected by the parents of pupils at this school to serve a four year term of office. You may, if you wish, put yourself forward for election using the nomination form (sent home on Friday). Nomination forms are to be returned to school by 12.00 noon on Friday 18th November 2022. Ballot papers will be sent to all parents on Monday 21st November 2022. (Voting will only take place if there are more nominations than vacancies).

Ballot papers to be returned to school by 12.00 noon on Friday 2nd December.

The votes will be counted at 1pm on Friday 2nd December after which the result will be announced.

Governors have an important and influential role to play in the life of our school & I do hope that you will be able to play your part in this election by either becoming a candidate or casting your vote when the time comes. If you would like any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

We will be holding a short Remembrance Service at the memorial in Lowgill at 10:50 am on Friday 11th November, family and friends are welcome to join us.

It is going to be a busy half term, please keep an eye out on School Spider for messages and updates!

Yours truly,  
Fiona Ip  
Headteacher

## Year 1 & 2 Multiskills

Children in Year 1 & 2 will be travelling to the University of Cumbria tomorrow (Tuesday 8th November). The children will be travelling by coach with Miss Morgan and Mrs Martin and will return for the end of the school day. They should wear their PE kit and will need a water bottle please.

## Library Van Dates:

Wednesday 9th November

Wednesday 30th November

## Friends of TFS AGM - Thursday 10th November 5.10pm

The Friends of TFS AGM will take place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2022 at 5:10pm in school. All parents are most welcome, we hope to see you there.

## Remembrance Service & Poppy Appeal

We will be holding a short Remembrance Service at the memorial in Lowgill at 10:50 am on Friday 11th November, all are most welcome to attend.

We have the poppy appeal box in school with the traditional poppies and various other items all with suggested donations of 50p-£.50. Unfortunately we cannot give change as the money goes straight into the collection pot, so please send in the amount you wish to donate. Thank you

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## Loaves & Fishes

All children are welcome to join us for Loaves & Fishes Club on Wednesday 16th November 3.15 - 5pm. The cost is £2.00 (payable on the day). Please book your child's place on School Spider.

## Friends of TFS Bingo

The Friends of TFS are hosting a Bingo afternoon on Thursday 17th November 3.15 - 4.30pm. Please keep an eye out for further details and booking form on School Spider!

## 'Festival of Light' - KS2

On Thursday 24th November children in Key Stage 2 will be visiting Melling school to take part in the 'Festival of Light'. They will need a packed lunch please. Thank you

## National Child Measurement Programme

The Opt - Out letter for the National Child Measurement Programme (Reception & Y6) has been sent home via email today. This will take place in school on Monday 28th November 2022.

## Edinburgh Residential 2023

Payment of the £70 (non refundable) deposit for this trip must be made by Friday 11th November please - if you are experiencing difficulty making the payment please speak to Mrs Ip or Mrs Mason in confidence. Thank you

## 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

Please book online via the School Spider App or by emailing [bursar@tathamfells.lancs.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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.

## 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 are moving to a prepayment system in the new year - all accounts must 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

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## **SCHOOL ADMISSIONS - Primary School Applications**

School admissions are open for children due to start primary 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.

**Primary school applications must be submitted by 15th January**

## **DIARY DATES:**

**Tuesday 8th November** - Year 1 & 2 trip to University of Cumbria 'Multi Skills'

**Wednesday 9th November** - Library Van

**Thursday 10th November 5pm** - Friends of TFS AGM & Meeting

**Friday 11th November 10.45am** - Remembrance at Lowgill Cenotaph

**Wednesday 16th November 3.15 - 5pm** - Loaves & Fishes

**Thursday 17th November 3.15-4.30pm** - Friends of TFS Bingo

**Thursday 24th November** - KS2 visit to Melling school 'Festival of Light'

**Wednesday 30th November** - Library Van

**Wednesday 30th November** - Year 1 & 2 Athletics @ Carnforth High School

**Thursday 1st December** - Christmas Fair

**Friday 2nd December** - Whole school trip to 'Robin Hood' @ Lancaster, Dukes Theatre