



Cleator Moor Nursery School



Newsletter- Autumn 2

Dates for your diary:

Halloween Monday 31st October <i>Children come to school in costumes.</i>
Bonfire Night Saturday 5th November <i>Remember to follow the Firework Code and keep everyone safe</i>
Parental Interviews for 3 and 4 year old children 7th-11th November <i>Appointment times provided</i>
Children In Need Friday 18th November <i>Children come dressed in spots/ colourful clothes</i>
Governors Meeting Monday 21st November
End of Term Tuesday 20th December <i>In line with Primary School Nursery will close at 1pm today. Afternoon children will join us in the morning for Christmas activities.</i>

Dear Parents & Carers

As we head towards the second half of the Autumn Term I wanted to give you an update on things which will be happening in school during November. I hope you all have a lovely half term holiday and look forward to seeing everyone in school on Monday 31st October.

As the colder weather approaches, could I please ask that you send your children to school in appropriate coats and with hats, scarves and gloves if needed, it can get chilly when we are playing in the garden.

We will be talking about it being darker in the mornings and when we go home in the evenings and we will be thinking about keeping safe when we cross the roads so please talk about this at home too.

We have a few fundraising activities planned this half term so please support us where you can.

We are also looking forward to our Christmas activities which will be upon us before we know it. You will receive a Christmas newsletter in the next few weeks giving you more information.

Mrs L Wilson – Headteacher

Keeping safe in the dark

As the mornings and evenings get darker, we will be talking to the children about keeping safe on their way to and from school. We will talk about crossing the road safely with our lollipop lady and will talk about reflective materials.

As part of our Safety Curriculum we will talk about holding hands with grown-ups when out and about and will discuss where it is safe to play and how to be safe on our bikes and scooters.

Please remind your children to hold hands with their grown up at all times and practice this when walking to school.



Children In Need

Friday 18th November is Children In Need Day. We would like all children to come dressed up as Pudsey, or in spotty (if you have any) or colourful clothes. We will be having special Pudsey bear snack.

We are asking for £1 per child donation (more if you wish) to send to the appeal. Please support this worthwhile cause.



Parental Interviews

The parental Interviews will be held between 7th and 11th November.

This is an opportunity to meet with your child's keyworker to hear how well your child has settled into School, the progress they are making and to share any concerns you may have.

Appointment times are attached.

Poppy Appeal

In November we will be selling a number of children's items in support of the Royal Legion Poppy Appeal.

We talk to the children and explain how we buy the poppies to say 'thankyou' to our armed forces. Details about the range of items on offer will be sent shortly- please help us support this cause if you can.

Rainbow Room

Our children in the Rainbow Room have been very busy. Over the next few weeks, the children will be talking about Bonfire Night, thinking about the colours they see in the fireworks and making some colourful firework pictures.



All the children in the Rainbow Room enjoy playing outside in the nursery garden, they are becoming more confident when riding the bikes and are exploring the fallen leaves in the garden, some of them have been busy sweeping the leaves into piles which they can then jump in.

The children will continue to talk about vegetables which are in season at the moment and will use them for printing, painting, chopping and exploring- veggie soup is a favourite for our snack time.

Halloween

On Monday 31st October, we return to school on Halloween.

We are happy for children to come to school dressed up for the day, this can be a costume or any of their own clothes they wish to wear for the day. Please remember our children are aged 2-4 years old so please make sure they do not appear too 'scary'. No masks are to be worn in the classroom and also ensure your child can still manage to use the toilet in their costume. They will still need a coat to play outside.

Nursery Classroom

All the children are very settled into the classroom now and have all made friends. Please remember we like to hear what your child has been doing at home, so please take time to look through your child's Busy Book and to make a comment or send photographs in to share from home.

Our theme for the next few weeks will be light and dark. We will be thinking about the darker mornings and evenings and will be talking to the children about keeping safe, holding hands near the roads and wearing clothing with reflective strips. We will think about how our Lollipop Lady helps us to cross the road safely. We will look at different light forms and how these can help us every day.

We will be discussing Bonfire Night, thinking about colours and the noises the fireworks make. We will also discuss the Firework Safety Code- please ensure your children are safe around fireworks so that everyone can enjoy the evening.



Lunch Club

We have had a few parents asking if their child can attend lunch club. Please see the information below...

If you have not already used this facility and would like to book a session, please ask Ms Southward in the Office. The sessions and timings are as follows:

Lunch Club 11:45am to 12:30pm £5.00 p. day

Children who do not qualify for the 30 hours offer of childcare can access this service. Please contact the office for further information or to book a place. Places will be offered on a first come first served basis.

Jewellery and Toys

There are a number of children coming to school with jewellery on at the moment. Please can I remind you that our policy states children are not allowed to wear jewellery in school. Please make sure all necklaces, bracelets, rings, earrings and other items are removed as they pose a risk to children's safety when they are playing.

Could I also ask that children's clothing and shoes are all labelled. With the number of children we have in school you can imagine it is very difficult for staff to keep track of children's possessions.

Thank you for your co-operation

Parking/ Driving On School Grounds

We continue to have issues with cars entering the slip road to school. Could I please ask you once again **not** to drive or park on the slip road into school, (Blue badge holders exempt).

You must park on Ennerdale Road and walk into School. Please ensure you use the pavements on either side of the road and ensure children on bikes / scooters are following the rules of the road. The Police Community Officers are monitoring the use of the road.

Please remember to.....

- Label all uniform and coats / shoes clearly
- Send your child's sand shoes/ slippers into school so they can change before entering the classrooms.
- Park along Ennerdale Road and not enter the school slip road/ staff car parks (*blue badge holders exempt*)
- Enquire at the office if you are interested in becoming a Parent Governor