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Events....

4th Feb—Wacky hair, pyjama, cake sale day
 7th Feb—Chestnut trip to Sealife
 10th Feb—Break up

Nether Kellet News

Our Theme

All of the classes are continuing to get stuck into our theme of Life on the Ocean Waves. Beech Class are learning about Morecambe as a thriving seaside resort and Lancaster as a thriving port. If you or anyone you know has any memories, stories or photos you could share with the children about either of these things, we would love to hear from you. Chestnut Class are heading to Sealife on Monday and we are looking to get trips organised for other classes shortly too.

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CLUBS

Clubs continue as normal up to and after half term.

The group for cake decorating will change after half term to the next group. There is room in yoga and craft if your child has finished cake decorating, just let us know.

House Group non-uniform will be on Thursday this week and next as Fridays are not possible for either week! Thank you.

Children in Need

Hopefully you have all received a School Council flier about our postponed Children in Need Day on Friday. Because of our Covid outbreak, we didn't do the day properly in November. The School Council have therefore organised a new wacky hair, pyjama and cake sale day for this Friday (4th). Please send cakes in for the sale and £1 for dressing up and 50p - £1 for cakes, thank you.



Breakfast and After School Clubs

We are pleased to let you know that we now have a regular playworker for the after school club to work alongside Sophie Wren on a daily basis. His name is Leon Mangan and he is also a qualified sports coach so he will be running a couple of sports clubs for us too. Emma Walker (Alice's mum) is also helping out too with the club which is a great help.

I know we have had some glitches with voucher payments but hopefully the Scopay system is all up and running and any teething problems will soon be ironed out making it simpler for everyone booking places and paying. All parents who use the club should recently have been sent the policy for the club as well as a data collection sheet, please ensure that these are returned to school or Sophie as soon as possible so that we have all up to date contacts relevant to the club.

The Reading Shack

We now have the reading shack fully up and running as we would like it to be used. The children can go in and read at breaks and lunchtimes and Beech Class children are helping children to choose books, read them and put them back tidily. Your child can bring a book in on any day to exchange for another book. There are hundreds of great books in there! There are also some books for adults too if you fancy swapping one of your own books (I found a lovely recipe book in there the other day which I've swapped for another book and already made 2 recipes!)

'Be inspired....achieve your potential'



THE "CREEPY-CRAWLY MAN"



All of the classes enjoyed a visit from John, the "Creepy Crawly Man" last week. He showed us all sorts of bugs and other creatures including a snake and told us all sorts of interesting facts linked with our science work this term.

We are very pleased to announce (if you don't already know) that Rebecca Lamb is expecting a baby in May. Big congratulations to her! The good news is that Pearl Bowker has kindly offered to come back for one term only so the children have someone they are familiar with and who we know is a great teacher!

Lost Property—NAMES!

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE put names in all of your children's belongings that they bring to school. It seems such a waste that we end up with so many school sweatshirts and cardigans that aren't even any use to charity shops. I know they are quite expensive to buy and, if names are in them, they are given straight back to the child as they often leave them lying around. We often have coats and all sorts of other clothing left with no names too and it is such a shame as the children rarely recognise anything that they have lost!

Lost property is now located in the reading shack so please look in there if you think your child has left something at school.

The current lost property will be given away to anyone who wants it before half term as otherwise we end up overrun with "stuff"! Please help yourselves next week.

Term Dates: Please try to avoid holidays in term time as they can't be authorised except in exceptional circumstances.
Half term — Friday 11th Feb to Friday 18th Feb incl.
Easter — Monday 4th April to Monday 18th April
Half term — Monday 30th May to 8th June incl.

Beech Class Arran Visit

Thank you to all the parents who have paid the deposit for the visit already. If we could have all deposits by the end of February that would be great as we need to pay that money to the outdoor centre soon. We will send out further information including a kit list shortly but please be aware that the kit list is very minimal as much can be borrowed from the centre and they like us to do that—it's lovely new kit!

Sports Activities

Our football team recently played in a County-wide tournament at Fleetwood. Unfortunately, we narrowly missed out on getting to the next round where we would represent Lancashire as best small school because we lost 1-0 having reached the final. The team played very well and represented our school brilliantly with a great sporting attitude. We will soon have football matches against local schools organised when the nights are a bit lighter.

Sycamore and Oak Classes have an exciting sports activity on the next 2 Thursdays—Tri-golf where a coach will come in linked to our local sports cluster. Beech Class will have some sports coaching in a different sport later in the year.

Road Safety

We have had a big focus on road safety recently, particularly for arriving and leaving school. Chestnut Class have been on walks to learn about road safety practically around Bridge Road. The children are all expert on knowing the safe things to do, please can you help them to practise those behaviours especially near school. The main things the children mentioned were:

- Always walking on pavements.
- Always looking when crossing roads or driveways.
- Only getting out of cars on the pavement side.

Please keep the area around school free of cars and also ensure that your children walk on the pavements at all times. Thank you.

Summer— Break up Friday 22nd July 1:30pm
Return—Friday 2nd September