Warcop CofE Primary School

Together we celebrate our individuality, supporting each other to learn, grow and flourish.

We lift our eyes to the hills, from where does my help come?"
Psalm 121

Friday News

Newsletter 7 Autumn Term 2026 – Friday 16th October 2026

Dear Parents, Carers and friends of the School,

Thank you for your kind words and support regarding my resignation; the children have been lovely. While it was a surprise for many of the children, I think that with the long notice period, everybody has time to adapt and get used to the idea of change.

Thank you also for the fantastic turnout for the Patterdale residential, Angela is setting up the payments on School Spider, please come and discuss finances with me if needed. Please can you confirm your place by returning the two forms, the deposit is on School Spider, although it can be broken down to smaller payments if needed.

We enjoyed another great session of wheelchair basketball, despite the rain forcing us to do it indoors. It's been great to see the children building on their skills as this has now become a regular sporting activity.

Sadly the football tournament was cancelled, but we now have a new date for this after Half Term- details to follow.

After being on the waiting list for 8 years, we have finally been accepted for the mini police! Years 5 and 6 pupils all have a new uniform and identify badge. Over the course of the year, they will assist our local PCSO to deliver safety advice to the younger pupils.

Next week we have the Harvest Festival in Warcop church. As usual, children may bring one item for the harvest table if they wish- piece of fruit, can of produce etc. We will donate these to either the food bank or the local care Home in Appleby after the Service. You are welcome to attend from 2:30- 3:20. (Please note, that the Girls Football team are out playing a competition at Frenchfields on this afternoon and will not be present at the Harvest Festival).

A reminder that there will be parents' evenings next week. Please get in touch with the office if you have not been able to organise an appointment.

Each week our Golden diners can have a turn in the new outdoor Mud Kitchen. This week's Golden Diner awards go to:-

- Lottie, Sabina, Elijah, Lyla, Thea and Roman

Friendship awards this week go to:

Class 1 – Roman
Class 2 - Edward
Class 3 – Betty
Class 4 – Oliver

I hope that you have great weekend…

Mrs Linsley, Headteacher

Message from the Governors:-

As a governing board, we are so grateful for Sally's hard work, leadership and deep care for children and families over 22 years, which has grown Warcop Primary into a thriving, popular school. Departures and change are not easy, particularly when losing such an exceptional headteacher, but we are grateful to have sufficient time to follow a considered process in recruiting her successor. We have had an initial meeting earlier this week and a Full Governing Body meeting after half term to begin this process. The Governors are representatives of parents, teachers, the diocese and the local community, please do get in touch if you have further questions.

Please email any items for the Friday News to:
head@warcop.cumbria.sch.uk

Date	Time	Information
w/c 19th October		Parents evenings, Monday to Thursday
22.10.2026	2.30	Harvest Festival St Columba's
22.10.2026	12.30	Girls Football Frenchfields
26.10.2026-30.10.2026		Half term
04.11.2026	PM	Cumbria Police for EYFS
06.11.2026	PM	Highlights Theatre for Years 5 and 6
09.11.2026		Hobby Horse Day
11.11.2026	All Day	Forest Schools – whole school. Please could children bring in appropriate clothing and footwear for the outdoor activities.
17.11.2026	2pm	SENDIASS coffee afternoon in Warcop Parish Hall
18.11.2026	All Day	Forest Schools – whole school. Please could children bring in appropriate clothing and footwear for the outdoor activities.
25.11.2026	PM	Cumbria Smiles for EYFS
02.12.2026	All Day	Forest Schools – whole school. Please could children bring in appropriate clothing and footwear for the outdoor activities.
03.12.2026	2pm	Christmas Fair – more details to follow after half term
09.12.2026		Christmas Lunch
11.12.2026	2.15pm	Christingle
15.12.2026		Christmas Performance – Dress Rehearsal
16.12.2026		Christmas Performance
18.12.2026		Break up for Christmas

Don't forget:

- **PE kit, water bottle every day**
- **Order lunches by the end of the week for the following week**

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CRAFT CLUB
Tuesday 6th October
Autumn Crafts- Leafy Fun
Tuesday 13th October
Mini Hobby Horse Making
Tuesday 20th October
Spooky Crafts

Red Squirrels Nursery

Registered Charity 1036866



AGM

9am

on the 17th November 2026

in Warcop Primary School Staffroom

All welcome to attend

Warcop Annual Village

Ghost Walk



30th October

Leaving Parish Hall at 6.30pm

£2 an adult
£1 child under 16
Free for children in buggies.

Optional fancy dress – wear suitable footwear. Bring a torch

Westmorland & Furness **Best Start** Family Hub

Coat Swap & Donate



Does your child have a pre-loved coat, wellies, warm hat, or scarf that they no longer need?

Donate your gently used items or swap them for quality pre-loved items from our collection.

We welcome donations that are:

- Clean and in good condition
- Fully working, with no broken zips
- Free from stains
- Not heavily worn or damaged
- Free from strong smells

Event Details:

Location: Penrith Family Hub

Friday 30 October | 9:00am - 3:00pm

Saturday 31 October | 10:00am - 1:30pm

Donations can be dropped off at Penrith Family Hub from Friday 23 October.

Help keep our community warm while giving coats, wellies, hats, and scarves a second life.

Share Warmth • Reduce Waste • Support Local Families

Drop off a coat, find a coat, or simply spread the word!

Westmorland & Furness Council

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Westmorland & Furness
Community Safety
Partnership

Are you concerned about antisocial behaviour, crime, safety in public spaces, road safety or other community issues?

The Westmorland and Furness Community Safety Partnership would like you to complete a short survey which will ensure our future priorities reflect the experiences of our communities.

By taking a few minutes to complete the survey, you will help us build a safer, stronger and more resilient Westmorland and Furness for everyone.

Scan the QR code to access the survey





Westmorland & Furness Council

NHS Lancashire and South Cumbria

NHS North Cumbria Integrated Care

Probation Service

DAVID ALLEN

Sunday Fun Day

Kendal Leisure Centre
8th November 2026

Organisers are inviting local organisations to host stalls and engage with families attending the event. Registration can be completed via the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/12_O1ghJdLOHhSSiwA1p9VtEYucMMXjnRSN0OQTjAnhs/edit?pli=1

Community Day

Penrith Leisure Centre
1st November 2026

Local organisations are also invited to participate in this annual community event. The deadline to express interest is 25th September 2026.

These events have been running successfully for several years and provide a valuable opportunity to connect with local families, showcase services and promote health and wellbeing initiatives.

If you are interested in taking part or would like further information, please contact Danielle Vipond Shields directly at danielle.houghton@gll.org

PENRITH A.F.C.
FOUNDED 1894
RES-NON-VERBA

PENRITH UNDER 10 GIRLS

PLAY
LEARN
BELONG

Year 5 Girls Wanted!

FRIENDSHIP
FITNESS
FUN



Small Town Big Community

GIRLS CAN PLAY

Come and join our fun and friendly football team!

No experience needed – everyone is welcome.

Join an existing group of girls enjoying football and playing in the Carlisle and Penrith District League.

Training

Tuesdays, 6pm – 7pm

Penrith Football Club
Frenchfields Stadium

Just come down on a Tuesday night and give it a try!

SAME GAME MORE GIRLS

For more information call or message:

07738 093 299 | **07792 086 336**

New players always welcome!

PENRITH A.F.C. RES-NON-VERBA

PENRITH AFC

KIRKBY STEPHEN FOOTBALL CLUB UNDER 7's

TRAINING SESSIONS

TUESDAYS
6:00PM - 7:00PM

PARROTS PARK,
KIRKBY STEPHEN,
CA17 4RX

LEARN
PLAY
MAKE
FRIENDS



- DEVELOP SKILLS
- BUILD CONFIDENCE
- MAKE FRIENDS
- LEARN & GROW
- ENJOY THE GAME

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME!

TRAINING LOCATION:
PARROTS PARK,
KIRKBY STEPHEN,
CA17 4RX

KIRKBY STEPHEN FOOTBALL CLUB

Westmorland and Furness SEND Information, Advice and Support Service

CONTACT US

Westmorland and Furness SEND IAS Service | Sendiass

Your local SEND IAS Service Co-ordinator will listen to your concerns and can offer:

- Appropriate support, impartial information, and advice on a range of SEND related queries including - identifying a need, exclusions from school, complaints, and disagreements when something goes wrong.
- Advice regarding SEND related health and social care matters.
- Detailed explanations of how the Special Educational Needs (SEN) process should work, for example the support that should be ordinarily available for all children and young people with SEND in early years, schools, and post sixteen settings.
- Information about local and national voluntary organisations
- Information about young peoples' and parents' support groups in your area
- Support through the Education, Health, and Care Plan (EHCP) Process including annual reviews.
- To help you learn more about the SEND Code of Practice and your legal rights.
- Support at meetings where appropriate.

A child or young person may have learning difficulties caused by:

- A physical disability
- A problem with sight, hearing, or speech
- Difficulties with reading, writing or mathematics
- Emotional or behavioural problems
- Communication and social interaction.

For self-referral, please use our email:

sendiass.waf@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk

Please give a brief description of the matter you require support with, and your location and a member of our team will be in touch with you to offer advice and guidance.

Westmorland & Furness Council

Information, Advice & Support Services Network

Council for disabled children

Offering impartial information, advice and support to children and young people with special educational needs and or disabilities and their parents & carers.

KIRKBY STEPHEN GRAMMAR SCHOOL
1566
Dio volendo Jo la tura

Cumbria Education Trust

JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF

Shopping

AT OUR 2ND

CHRISTMAS FAIR

HANDMADE CRAFTS, MAKERS AND LOCAL BUSINESSES

Tuesday
10th November 2026

Kirkby Stephen Grammar School
Christian Head, Kirkby Stephen,
Cumbria, CA17 4HA

5pm – 8pm

FREE PARKING and FREE ENTRY

MASSIVE RAFFLE

Lots of fantastic prizes to be won!

CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

A delicious selection of chocolate prizes!



All proceeds go to the DT department at KSGS

Support our school and local businesses this Christmas!



The Buzz Club

Appleby Wraparound Care

Autumn HOLIDAY CLUB

Come and join us
October 26th-30th.
All welcome!

OPEN MONDAY-FRIDAY 7:45AM - 6PM

Hours to suit you

All children age 3-11 years

Based at Appleby Primary School

email: applebywraparoundcare@gmail.com

phone: 07708 297 090

Cumbria **Fostering**



Become part of Cumbria's biggest Family

Find out about

fostering?

...and how you can change children's lives

Visit our information stand at **The Lanes Shopping Centre in Carlisle** on **Saturday 17 October** between 1pm-3pm and speak to our friendly team and foster carers.

0300 019 0200

cumbriafostering.org.uk

Cumberland Council

Westmorland & Furness Council

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The Decider
Winning strategies for mental health

DECIDER LIFE SKILLS
FOR PARENTS

About this workshop....

Join us for an exciting online workshop designed exclusively for parents! The Decider Life Skills Awareness workshop aims to equip you with essential skills to support Children and Young people to recognise their own thoughts, feelings and behaviours, enabling them to monitor and manage their own emotions and mental health.

The workshop is a packed interactive session led by experienced Primary Mental Health Workers with an opportunity to connect with other parents, share experiences, and ask questions. You will learn about 'The Fizz', how the body responds to worry and stress, and how to incorporate and implement each of the 12 Decider Life Skills into everyday life. Reserve your spot now for the Decider Life Skills Workshop and embark on a transformative journey towards increased mindfulness, less stress and more effective communication for you and your family.



SESSIONS TAKE PLACE ON MICROSOFT TEAMS 4-5PM ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

13TH JANUARY, 17TH FEBRUARY, 24TH MARCH. 5TH MAY, 16TH JUNE, 28TH JULY, 8TH SEPTEMBER, 20TH OCTOBER, 1ST DECEMBER







PLEASE SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

BARNARDO'S

TO BOOK A PLACE PLEASE SEND YOUR PREFERRED DATE, NAME AND EMAIL ADDRESS TO THE INBOX BELOW

pmhw.mytime@barnardos.org.uk

Branch Out

CONNECT - CREATE - CONSERVE

BIRKMERE OPEN DAY



Sunday
18th October
10.30-2.30pm

Woodland walk
Crafts for all ages
Toast things on sticks
Meet the volunteers-
campfire tea & chat
Mindfulness session
Fungi ID walk
Play opportunities

Birkmere Woodlands, Blencow, CA11 0DA
Book your free ticket here:

www.branchouteducation.co.uk

ALL AGES WELCOME (0-99!)

SEND
Westmorland and Furness
SEND Partnership

Westmorland & Furness
Best Start Family Hub

SEND Parent Carer Group



Join us for a relaxed and friendly get-together. There's no agenda, no pressure and no expectation to share. Just a welcoming space to enjoy a cuppa, have a chat, make new connections and support one another.

Whether you're looking for friendship, understanding, advice from other parents, or simply some time for yourself, you'll be very welcome.

Appleby Family Hub - located behind Appleby Primary School

Monday 2nd November 2026
Monday 7th December 2026

12:30 - 2:30pm

Come along. Stay for five minutes or the whole session.
Everyone is welcome.

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& Furness
Council