



# Lindal and Marton Primary School & Nursery



**Dear Parents,**

## **Mini Bus**

We are delighted to share that our brand-new school mini bus has now arrived. This is a brilliant addition for our pupils and will open up even more opportunities for trips, visits, sporting events and wider-curriculum activities. Thank you to Browns Butchers who have agreed that we can use their carpark so that the bus does not have to take up much needed parking spaces outside of school. If you intend to buy your Christmas meats from Browns or are a regular customer, please pass on our appreciation.

## **Elf Dash for St Mary's Hospice**

On Thursday 18th December, the whole school will be taking part in an Elf Dash around the village to raise funds for St Mary's Hospice. The children have always enjoyed similar events that we have done in the past, so I am sure it will be a great day, especially if it is dry! Sponsorship details have been shared on Seesaw and through Parent Mail. Any support you can offer for this wonderful local charity is greatly appreciated, however, if you anticipate any difficulties, let us know as we will make sure every child has a hat and can take part.

## **Class 1 & Class 2 Nativity @ St Peter's Church**

This year our Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity will be performed in St Peter's Church. The children are already practising with great enthusiasm, and holding it in church will make the performance even more magical. We look forward to welcoming families to share in this special celebration of the Christmas story. Rather than selling performance tickets, we are asking parents to make a donation to support the church.

## **Reception Place Applications – 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**

A reminder that applications for Reception places need to be submitted before January 15th. If your child is due to start school in September, please make sure you complete the Westmorland & Furness online application before the deadline. If you have any questions, just let us know.

## **Community & Parent Governor Vacancy**

We currently have vacancies for both a Community Governor and a Parent Governor. These roles play a crucial part in supporting the strategic direction of the school. If you are interested, or know someone else who might be, please contact the school office for further information. We would be very happy to talk you through what the role involves. We are hoping to recruit governors with some knowledge of education (or a keen interest to learn), an understanding of health and safety policies and procedures, human resources or with links in the community.

## Winter Wear

Please ensure your child brings a warm coat to school every day throughout the winter months. We are outdoors in all weathers, and children need to be suitably dressed. For PE, children should have joggers and a hoody in their kit so they can stay warm during outdoor sessions. If you are sending your child with gloves, scarf and a hat, please name them to prevent them ending up in lost property.

## Assessments & Interventions

We are close to completing our end-of-term assessments, which help us understand how children are progressing and what support they may need next term. Interventions are tailored carefully: some children may receive short, one-off sessions to address a specific gap, such as a tricky maths objective, while others may have more regular support where it is needed. We keep you informed through Seesaw, where you will see examples of the intervention work your child is doing. If your child is involved in regular interventions, please support their progress at home by ensuring they read frequently and complete any homework tasks. This makes a noticeable difference to both their confidence and their long-term learning.

## Diary Dates

These are useful dates for your diary that will be added to each week. More information about each event will be provided nearer the time. New/re-arranged dates are highlighted.

Date	Event
02-12-25	Curling Event @ Furness Academy - Selected pupils - Children invited via Parent Mail
11-12-25	National Christmas Jumper Day - Wearing Christmas Jumpers is optional
11-12-25	School Christmas Dinner - Needs to be booked through Parent Mail
11-12-25	Crib Service @ St Peter's Church, 1:15pm - Children can be collected from school after the service
12-12-25	Class 1 and Class 2 trip to Walby Farm Park - See details on Parent Mail
15-12-25	KS2 watching Class 1&2 Nativity @ St Peter's
16-12-25	Class 1&2 Nativity performance @ St Peter's, 1:30pm and 5:30pm - Pupils can be taken home from church if parent/carers are in the audience - Pupils should return to church (in their outfits) at 5:15pm - NO EARLIER
17-12-25	KS2 Christmas Sing Along with Mrs Case
18-12-25	Elf Dash for St Mary's, 9:30am - 11:30am (depending on weather) - Non uniform / Christmas Jumpers / Fancy Dress
18-12-25	Christmas Parties
19-12-25	Finish for Christmas break, 1:30pm

Yours sincerely

*Mrs. F Doran*