

# ASKAM VILLAGE SCHOOL

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## Newsletter March 2023

Dear Askam families,

### Active Travel – Feet First 5 Day Challenge

Along with other schools in Cumbria week beginning Monday 20<sup>th</sup> March we are taking part in 'Feet First' 5-day active travel challenge'. Children will each have a bookmark to record their active journey to school and will receive a sticker for each day that week for their bookmark. We have also been provided with pencils to issue to children who complete at least one active journey throughout the week. We understand that for some families you may need to use a car to come to school and, in those cases, an active journey can include parking further away from school and walking the rest of the way.



### Midday Supervisor

Mrs. Brady, who has been a midday supervisor at school for 10 years, is leaving us in a few weeks. We thank Mrs. Brady for her work at school during that time and wish her all the best in her new job. We are therefore recruiting for a midday supervisor; application packs can be collected from the school office.

### Red Nose Day

Red Nose Day is being held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March this year. We have red noses available for children to buy, this year Comic Relief are asking £2.50 for a red nose. They will be available to buy from school from Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March. If children would like to come dressed in something red (or pink) on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> to support the cause they are welcome to do so. Suggested donation of £1 non-uniform or £2.50 donation for a red nose which includes donation for non-uniform.



### Parking

Please can I remind parents/carers to take care with parking when dropping off/collecting children from school. Recently, it has been reported that children have had to walk out onto the road and round as cars have been parked partly on the pavements. This is for the safety of all the children and community. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Snacks



Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are offered a piece of fruit/vegetable as a snack every day. The fruit varies from day to day and could be an apple, pear, satsuma, raisins, carrots, tomato.

If parents/carers wish to send in a snack for children please can this be either a piece of fruit (grapes need to be cut in half please lengthways), a cereal bar, bread sticks or similar. Please no crisps/sweets/chocolate for snack time.

### Easter Egg Competition

We would like to invite the children to enter a decorate the egg competition with prizes awarded for first, second and third in each class. We haven't set a theme this year so please be as imaginative as you like. Decorated eggs should be brought to school on the morning of Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> of March please.



## **Parental Consultations**

If you have not already made an appointment with your child's classteacher please contact the school office, we do like to see the parents/carers of all children.

## **Nursery**

There is still time to apply for Nursery place for September 2023. We have 15 and 30 hour places available for 3 year olds. The closing date is 24<sup>th</sup> March

Please find dates below which I hope parents/carers will find useful.

### **ASKAM VILLAGE SCHOOL** **SPRING TERM 2023**

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| Week beginning 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2023  | Parental Consultations to be held this week  |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2023        | BAE employees to visit Year 5  |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2023         | Year 1 / 2 football after school – Barrow AFC (week 1 of 4)  |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023         | Red Nose Day – see information in newsletter<br>1.45-3pm Y1 Fun Event (Sports – Dowdales)                            |
| Week beginning 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 | Feet First Week – see information in newsletter  |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023        | STEM competition at St Bernard's School– involving 8 children from Years 5 and 6                                     |
| Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> March 2023         | Lego League Competition – separate information being sent to the children involved<br>3.40-4.55pm Y5/6 Netball @DASH |
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2023      | 9.15am-11.15am Y3/4 boys and Y5/6 girls football @Dowdales   |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023       | Easter Egg Competition   |
| Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023         | Break up for Easter hols   |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023         | Back to school   |

