

ASKAM VILLAGE SCHOOL

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Dear Askam families,

Coffee Morning

We are holding our Macmillan Coffee afternoon on Friday 30th September between 2-4pm. Children will be given the opportunity to buy a cake for a suggested donation of 50p. Parents/carers can help by sending in cakes for us to sell please and coming to support the event. Members of the PTA will be serving refreshments. We look forward to seeing many of you there. We are pleased to be able to support this very worthy cause.



Nursery applications

The closing date for applications to start Nursery in January is Friday 23rd of September. If parents/carers have not yet sent an application form, please speak to Mrs. James or Miss Hetherington in the school office. Applications are also open for the April 2023 intake and September 2023. Please see information below.

Children born between **1 January 2020** and **31 March 2020** can receive their free 15 hours a week from **April 2023**.

Children born between **1 April 2020** and **31 August 2020** can receive their free 15 hours a week from **September 2023**.

Children born between **1 September 2020** and **31 December 2020** can receive their free 15 hours a week from **January 2024**.

P.S.H.E. (Personal, Social, Health Education) Scheme

This year we have adopted a new P.S.H.E. scheme of work which is to be used across school from Nursery to Year 6. The scheme we have chosen to use is SCARF. SCARF offers a whole-school approach to well-being and mental health.

Each half-term there is a new theme. I will deliver assemblies linked to the theme. Classes will also have one P.S.H.E. lesson a week linked to the theme. As you may have noticed on the class planning grid already sent home, 'Me and My Relationships' is the first theme. Further information can be found on class grids of work specific to your child's class.



Cleaning Vacancy – permanent

We currently have a vacancy for a cleaner for 7.5 hours a week 3.00 - 4.30pm Monday to Friday. Applications packs are available from the school office either in person or via e-mail.

Relief Midday Supervisors - cover

If anyone is interested in being a relief midday supervisor, please could you contact the school office for more information. This is to cover for midday supervisors if they are absent – thank you.



Attendance

I'm sure parents/carers will agree good school attendance is important and children have missed significant times away from school in recent years due to Co-vid. I would ask parents/carers to avoid holidays in term-time if at all possible. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, holidays in term-time would not be authorised. This is in line with the school and Local Authority Policy.

I also need to make parents/carers aware that a child's attendance would be referred to the Local Authority in some circumstances including when there are over 10 days of unauthorised absence.

Where term-time holidays are unavoidable, please do let us know in as much time as possible to allow us to plan for the least impact on your child's education and the work they will be missing.

Attendance is monitored closely in school and parents/carers may be invited to a meeting where there is cause for concern relating to a child's attendance.

Thank you for your support with this.

Lots Road – end of School Streets Initiative

A reminder that **Lots Road is open again to all traffic at all times including drop-off and pick-up times.**

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact staff if you have any worries, questions or concerns.

We are back on the main school telephone number 01229 462814. Alternatively, parents/carers can contact the school office via e-mail office@askam.cumbria.sch.uk

Best wishes,



Mrs. Fiona Newton
Headteacher

Further dates have been added to the dates list on the next page. Additional information will be sent out nearer the time for some events.



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DATES 2022-2023
AUTUMN TERM

Thursday 22nd September 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 2
Friday 23 rd September 2022	Key Stage 1 Fun Run (Dowdales) – details sent via Mr. C
Monday 26 th September	Furness Academy Y5/6 Football Competition, 2.50 – 4.45
Tuesday 27 th September 2022	Cinema Visit for those children with 100% on reading record for 2021-2022
Wednesday 28 th September 2022	Nasal flu immunisations Rec to Year 6
Thursday 29 th September 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 3
Friday 30 th September 2022	Macmillan Coffee Afternoon
Week beginning 3 rd October 2022	Parent Consultations this week
Tuesday 4 th October 2022	School Photographs
Thursday 6 th October 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 4
Thursday 13 th October 2022	Swimming Year 5 and 6 Week 5
Friday 14 th October 2022	Key Stage 2 Cross Country, Dowdales, 1.45-3.15pm
Wednesday 19 th October 2022	Harvest 2pm
Thursday 20 th October 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 6
Mon 23 rd October to Fri 27 th October 2022	Half-term
Thursday 3 rd November 2022	Swimming Year 5 and 6 Week 7
Friday 4 th November 2022	Dowdales Quick-Sticks Hockey Competition, Y3/4, 1.45pm
Wednesday 9 th November 2022	Open Morning – Nursery and Reception places 9.30-11.30am
Thursday 10 th November 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 8
Monday 14 th November 2022	Bikeability this week for Year 6, further details to be sent
Thursday 17 th November 2022	Swimming Years 5 and 6 Week 9
Friday 18 th November 2022	Children in Need, wear yellow, spotty 50p, PTA decorating cakes with children
Friday 18 th November 2022	Dowdales Y5/6 Tag Rugby Competition, 1.45 – 3.15pm
Wednesday 23 rd November 2022	Nasal Flu vaccinations Reception to Year 6
Thursday 24 th November 2022	Final swimming for Years 5 and 6
Wednesday 7 th December 2022	2pm and 6pm KS2 Christmas Performances
Thursday 8 th December 2022	2pm and 6pm KS1 Christmas Performances
Friday 9 th December 2022	Christmas Jumper Day and school Christmas dinner
Friday 9 th December 2022	Dowdales Y5/6 Sports-hall Athletics, 1.45 – 3.30pm
Week beginning 12 th December 2022	Christmas Party Week
Tuesday 20 th December	2pm school finishes for Christmas 50p non uniform

