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6<sup>th</sup> June 2025

What a busy and exciting first week it has been for this final half term of the school year. Next week is the Summer Term Feet First 5-Day Active Travel Challenge and we are excited to be taking part. Families are encouraged to walk, cycle, scoot, use a mobility aid, or Park and Stride to school each day. Each child will receive a record card, stickers, and a small prize—a reflective snap band—for their efforts and journeys by bus, taxi, or car share also count toward the challenge. Let's work together to promote healthy, active travel and reduce school gate congestion!

It seems the sun has abandoned us for a little while so please do send in coats as we do still go out to play in wet weather and it is not pleasant having damp school uniform.

Next Wednesday we are holding an enrichment day and will be learning about litter. Please send in any clean crisp packets, soft plastic wrappers, yogurt pots and other small packaging by next Wednesday. We will be making some 'litter bugs'

Finally we are sad to tell you that Mrs Brough is leaving Clifton School at the end of next week as she has got a new job that is also much nearer to home. In the last 16 months Mrs Brough has become a much valued member of the Clifton School team and we have greatly appreciated the dedication and care she has shown towards her role and the children at school.

### **Sponsored Walk**

A massive well done to all the children today for completing almost 4 miles in some quite dreary weather. There was not a single complaint from any of them - only smiles, enthusiasm and happy chatting with each other as we made the best of things. The children supported each other in true Clifton style and have definitely earned any sponsorship money they have raised.

Thanks to all the adults who supported us today - we very much appreciate it and hope you enjoyed the experience. And thank you to Abbott Lodge, Jersey Ice Cream Farm for hosting us again and quickly adapting their arrangements for us. Please send in any sponsor money by June 16th which will be put towards our exciting new learning space. Apologies for the soggy socks btw!



## North West Sheep Show



Hedgehog class had an exciting day out on Wednesday when they visited the North West Sheep Show. They had the opportunity to ride on a trailer, learn about the different breeds of sheep, watch sheep shearing and stock judge sheep.

## 20 MPH Public Consultation

**Westmorland & Furness Council**

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**Your community is calling for a 20mph speed limit**

**Have your say**

Your Parish Council has provisionally secured funding through Westmorland and Furness Council to reduce the speed limit in your area to 20mph, to promote safer roads, reduce vehicle noise and enhance the environment for more walking and cycling.

Speed limits will only be reduced to 20mph if your wider community supports the scheme.

**Have your say on the proposal by completing the Council's consultation before Friday 18 July:**

- Online at [www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph](http://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph)
- At Penrith library
- In select public buildings within your community

You can also share your views with the Westmorland and Furness 20mph team from 2pm to 5.30pm at:

- Penrith Library on Tuesday 24th June
- Barrow Library on Wednesday 25th June
- Kendal Town Hall on Tuesday 8th July

To view the proposals and find out more, visit [www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph](http://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph).

**Scan here for more information**

Greystoke, Glassonby, Gablesby, Penrith, Stainton, Clifton, Sockbridge and Tint, Great Asby

You may be aware that the council is proposing to introduce 20mph speed limits in parts of Westmorland and Furness.

Following approval at Locality Boards, 24 'community backed' 20mph schemes have been prioritised for delivery in 2025/2026. This includes a scheme in our area.

Public consultation began on Wednesday 4th June and residents are encouraged to access all information relating to the consultation via the webpage

([www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph](http://www.westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk/20mph)) which contains proposals to view and download, information regarding the process, answers to frequently asked questions, and the link to the consultation survey.

Where residents cannot access the webpage, proposals can be viewed/copied and paper copies of surveys can be collected from Penrith Library during the consultation period:

There will also be a public drop-in event on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June (2.30pm – 5.30pm) in Penrith Library.

## **A Message from Mrs Hipwell About Lunches.....**

The summer weeks are always busy with trips and due to Parent Pay restrictions, booking packed lunches can often seem confusing.

Hope this helps..

Please refer to individual letters regarding trip details and whether the class will be away over lunchtime. Packed lunches will only be provided by school if parents have pre-booked a meal for that day on Parent Pay.

Children entitled to free school meals can still receive a packed lunch but will need to book a meal on Parent Pay but we know some of you prefer to make your own packed lunches on these days.



Any confusion please email in advance to let us know your preferences so that Joanna can ensure she has stock available to cater for those who require it.

Parent Pay will not state 'packed lunches' as it cannot give multiple options for different classes, please refer to letters regarding trips.

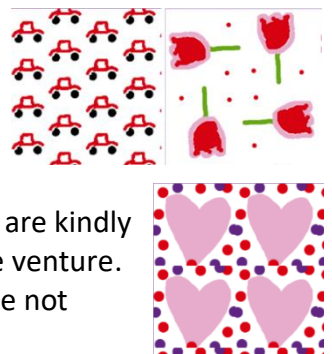
### Adventure Week

Separate letters are being sent out to all children detailing the plans for their year group's adventuring. Thankyou to those parents and grandparents who have offered to help so far – we still need more to make these exciting opportunities happen. Most activities for Hedgehog Class and Year 2 need additional adult helpers so please check the separate letters once they are sent and let us know as soon as you can if you can help. From feedback in the past few years any adult helpers that have accompanied Adventure Days (and other school trips) have greatly enjoyed and valued the experiences.

### Bright Stars



The wrapping paper/gift tags are selling well and will continue to be sold until Friday **13<sup>th</sup> June** to raise money for Down Right Worthy (Down Syndrome charity) and playground equipment that the children will decide upon themselves. Penrith Building Society and The George & Dragon are kindly selling the wrapping paper to support this valuable venture. Please do pop along to make a purchase if you have not already.



### Decider Skills.

Miss Coutts has completed all 12 Decider Skills with the children. They have now learned about STOPP, It Will Pass, 'Right Now,' Name the Emotion, Opposite Action, 'Fact or Opinion,' Self Care, Values, Listen, Respect, Crystal Clear and Reflect. Our long awaited meeting for parents will be held on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June @ 6.00pm**. Older children are also welcome to attend but we will provide childcare for those who do not wish to sit in on the session. We strongly encourage you to attend if you can as the Decider Skills will be most effective if both school and families can refer to them when the children (or ourselves) might be 'feeling the fizz.'



## PTA NEWS

**BAG 2 SCHOOLS collection – clothes, shoes, bags, belts and accessories. THIS HAS NOW CHANGED TO 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

**Unfortunately the event planned for - SUNDAY 29<sup>th</sup> JUNE has had to be cancelled. Watch this space for alternative plans.**

**PE LESSONS** next half term are as follows.....

**Hedgehog Class – Monday and Thursday ( please come in PE kit for gymnastics on Thursday)**

**Fox Class – **Tuesday** & Friday**

**Deer Class – Thursday & Fridays ( last swimming on Fri 13<sup>th</sup> June )**

**Please can children come to school in their PE kits on these days. Please send PE kits in to keep on the pegs for Hedgehogs as changing time is a good opportunity to develop independence skills**

**PLEASE ENSURE ALL HEDGEHOG CHILDREN HAVE THEIR PE KITS IN SCHOOL FOR USE ON MONDAYS**



Hedgehog Class had a great time at Gymnastics on Thursday afternoon – using lots of exciting equipment and learning new skills.

## Outdoor Learning

Next half term Outdoor Learning on Wednesday afternoons will be as follows:

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June – Fox Class

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June- Hedgehog Class

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Fox Class

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Fox Class

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June- Hedgehog Class

Please send a complete set of suitable clothing including **wellies** and ensure all items are labelled with your child's name.

**Please be aware that shorts are not acceptable clothing for Outdoor Learning. The children are outside for a long period of time and the weather can be wet and cold. It can also be a health and safety risk when children are around fires and in nature with nettles/brambles etc.**

## Spring Term Clubs

Netball Club (one on alternate weeks: football on 6<sup>th</sup> June) – Years 2-6 on Fridays (3.30-4.30) with Alistair Tallentire and Miss Simpson.

Miss Wilson & Mrs Chalmers will be running a Baking Club on 3.30-4.30 Tuesdays (not the 8<sup>th</sup> July).

At this week's Baking Club the children made fruit kebabs and pancakes.

Thankyou Mrs Chalmers and Miss Wilson.



Mrs Davies is running a Nature Club on Thursday lunchtimes.



### Dates for the Diary

10<sup>th</sup> June – Dodgeball Final

**16<sup>th</sup> June – Hunter Hall Cross Country (Year 1,2 &3)**

18<sup>th</sup> June – KS1 Multi Sports

18<sup>th</sup> June – Fox Class visit to Carlisle Roman Dig

**18<sup>th</sup> June – Decider Skills meeting for parents @ 6pm**

19<sup>th</sup> June – Aquathlon for Year 6 @ Lazonby Pool

25<sup>th</sup> June – PTA Bag to School collection ( new date)

**26<sup>th</sup> June – School Games ( Year 5/6)**

**27<sup>th</sup> June – Rheged Print Show visit for all children Years 2-6 ( no cost to parents)**

2<sup>nd</sup> July – Deer Class Summer Play @ 1.30 & 6.00 – Cliburn Village Hall

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – Move Up Day

4-10 July – Adventure Week

4<sup>th</sup> July – Appleby Sports

9-10<sup>th</sup> July – Year 3/4 Camp

Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leaver's Celebration

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leaver's Treat**

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Talent Show & end of term

PLEASE SEE SEPARATE LETTER FOR ADVENTURE DAY ACTIVITIES FOR EACH CLASS>

Separate letters are sent for all sporting events and trips

**Party time at Sunbeams**  
Celebrating Sunbeams 33<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary  
*Come and join us for an afternoon of fun!*

**Everyone welcome!**  
**FREE ENTRY**  
Donations Appreciated  
Musical Gifts Stall  
CASH / CARD / CONTACTLESS

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025 2pm-6pm**

2.00pm ish **Welcome from Annie**  
2.15 – 2.45 pm **MIDDLE EDEN VOICE CHOIR**  
3.00 – 3.15 pm **KEVIN THE AMAZING MAGICIAN**  
3.30 – 4.00pm **DEATBEATS**  
4.15 – 5.15 pm **WRONG DIRECTION**  
5.15pm onwards **JED'S DISCO**

Guest appearances from **PEPPA PIG** throughout the afternoon!  
Butty Van \* Ice Cream Van \* Cake Stall \* Raffle  
Licensed Bar including Beer kindly donated by Chris at **Tirril Brewery**

Kevin the Magician  
Deatbeats  
Wrong Direction

Kindly sponsored by **JLE Installations Ltd** ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS **Penrith Lottery**

Annie Mawson's **Sunbeams** Music Trust  
Sunbeams Music Centre  
Redhills, Penrith, CA11 0DT  
T: 01768 892909

We have been asked to share this poster with you as it might be something of interest to families in the local area.

## **TERM DATES FOR THE YEAR AHEAD**

School term and half term dates for 2024/2025

<b>Term</b>	<b>Start of term</b>	<b>Half term</b>	<b>End of term</b>
Summer	Tuesday 22 April 2025	Monday 26 May to Friday 30 May 2025	Friday 18 July 2025

School term and half term dates for 2025/2026

<b>Term</b>	<b>Start of term</b>	<b>Half term</b>	<b>End of term</b>
Autumn	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025	Friday 19 December 2025
Spring	Wednesday 7 January 2026	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026
Summer	Monday 13 April 2026	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026	Friday 17 July 2026

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Remember you can keep up to date with events and photos on our Friends of Clifton Primary School Facebook page so please join if you have not already.

If you have any questions or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Nikki Brabant, Tasha Coutts & the Clifton Team