

Friday 16th October 2026



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Parents as Partners Meetings

We would like to thank all the parents who took the time to attend our recent Parent as Partner meetings these past two weeks.

Your involvement and willingness to engage with staff in discussing learning priorities is greatly appreciated. Working together like this helps us ensure that we are supporting your children's learning in the best possible way.



Opal Update



It's almost half term and we have lots to celebrate in our outdoor play! The children are continuing to amaze us with their creative play and sense of adventure: tree climbing, den building, football matches and stage performances are all very popular! You may have noticed the large blue plastic barriers being used in various places around the playground - they are very popular now for creating enclosed spaces for different groups of children. In assembly this week we have discussed a safe number to stack and how many are allowed to be used per group, so that everyone gets a chance to join in the fun!

The CPTA kindly donated a sum of money earlier this year so that we could buy extra resources to boost den building and outdoor crafts. We are introducing these items in our OPAL assemblies over the coming weeks, so that they are played with sensibly and safely.

We are always looking to restock our OPAL resources.

If you have anything unwanted - please think of us! Kitchen items - pots, pans, washing up bowls, mixing bowls, spoons, ladles. The children love anything with wheels - if you have any unwanted suitcases, trolleys, push along toys etc we would love to have them! We are also looking for planks of wood to use in our obstacle courses.

Thank you!

Mrs Cunningham



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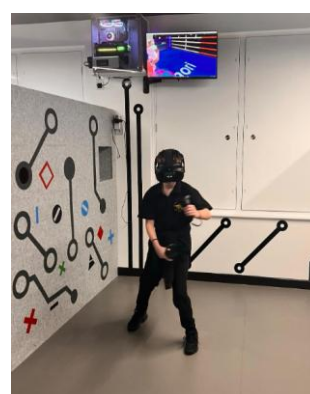
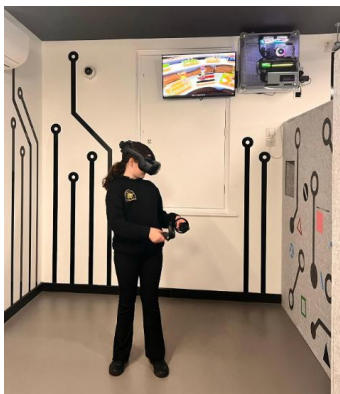
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Levels Trip

Year 5 had a fun filled morning at levels on Thursday where they took part in a range of activities. They particularly enjoyed the VR headsets and completing virtual quizzes, games and challenges through them.



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Dream Big

On Thursday afternoon the Year 5 children took part in 'Dream Big' where they listened to 4 guests who talked about their jobs and how they got to where they are now. The children were very respectful and contributed well in this session.



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Children In Need; Friday 13th November 2026

On **Friday 13th November 2026** we invite children to come into school **dressed in pj's** for Children in Need Day.

We have the following items for sale in school; they can be purchased on Arbor in the shop section:

Pudsey Pens £1



Pudsey Metal Pin Badges; Purple and Green £1



Pudsey Orange and Green Wristbands £1



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Christmas Trip; Nursery and Reception

We are excited to announce that the Early Years children in Nursery and Reception will be having their own Christmas trip.

This will be to Rookery Woods in Keswick for a festive adventure play experience!

This will be on Wednesday 2nd December 2026.

The children will come to school as normal and set off at 9.30a.m by bus and be back at school for normal finishing time.

Children who normally have school lunches will be provided with a school packed lunch. If your child usually brings a packed lunch from home please can they do so for the trip.

Please can all children bring a backpack to carry their lunch in and a water bottle.

They can wear Christmas jumpers/clothing for this trip.

School has subsidised the cost of this trip and payment for the trip is on the Arbor app.

Please could this be paid for by Friday 20th November 2026.



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Christmas Trip Years 1 - 6

We have managed to secure a booking for the children to visit Walby Farm Park for the children to experience 'Father Christmas on the Farm'. This is for years 1 – 6.

The day will include the children receiving a small gift from Father Christmas, a short Panto-style Show, Snow Time, making Reindeer Food, posting a letter to Father Christmas and more festive surprises!

This will take place on **Monday 14th December 2026.**

We will be setting off at 8.30a.m so would request the children come into school at the earlier time of 8.15a.m please.

We will be back in time for normal school finishing time.

Children who normally have school lunches will be provided with a packed lunch from school. Please could children who normally bring their own packed lunch do so on this day.

Please provide your child with a backpack so that they can carry their lunch. Children should also bring their own bottle of water.

Children can wear festive clothing for the trip.

School has subsidised the cost of this trip and payment for the trip is on the app. Please could this be paid for by Friday 27th November 2026.



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HALLOWEEN
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WEDNESDAY 21ST OCTOBER

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3.30-4.30P.M
YEARS 4,5 AND 6
4.45-5.45P.M

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Dates 26-27



Wednesday 21 st October 2026	Halloween Discos
<u>Friday 23rd October 2026</u>	<u>Break up for October Half Term</u>



<u>Monday 2nd November 2026</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Wednesday 4 th November 2026	Individual and Sibling Photos
Weeks commencing Mon 2 nd and 9 th November 2026	Year 4 Swimming sessions
Thursday 5 th November 2026	Whole School Wheelchair Basketball
Thursday 12 th November 2026 11.45am	Year 1 / 2 Parent/Carer Lunch
Friday 13 th November 2026	Children in Need Day Wear pj's
Monday 16 th – Thursday 19 th November 2026	Year 5 Bikeability
Weeks commencing Mon 16 th and 23 rd November 2026	Year 3 / 4 Swimming Sessions
Monday 23 rd November 2026	Class Photos
Tuesday 24 th November 2026	Year 4 Levels trip
Tuesday 1 st December 2026 11.45a.m	Year 2 Parent/Carer Lunch
Wednesday 2 nd December 2026	Nursery and Reception Christmas Trip Rookery Woods

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<u>Monday 7th December 2027</u>	<u>Christmas Discos</u>
Wednesday 9 th December 2026	2p.m Nursery and Reception Xmas play 5p.m year 1 / 2 and year 2 Xmas play
Thursday 10 th December 2026	2p.m year 1 / 2 and year 2 Xmas play 5p.m Nursery and Reception Xmas play
Friday 11 th December 2026	Christmas Dinner Day (wear Christmas jumpers)
Monday 14 th December 2026	Years 1 – 6 Christmas trip Walby Farm Park
Tuesday 15 th December 2026	Christmas Carol service St. James Church
<u>Friday 18th December 2026</u>	<u>Break up for Christmas 1.30p.m</u> <u>(wear Christmas jumpers)</u>
<u>Tuesday 5th January 2027</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Wednesday 27 th January 2027	Young Voices Years 5 and 6
Weeks beginning 11 th and 18 th January 2027	Year 2 Swimming sessions
Weeks beginning 25 th January and 1 st February 2027	Year 1 / 2 Swimming sessions
Thursday 4 th February 2027	Year 3 / 4 and 4 Residential
<u>Friday 12th February 2027</u>	<u>Break up for Feb Half term</u>
<u>Monday 22nd February 2027</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Wednesday 24 th February 2027	Year 4 Beacon trip
Thursday 4 th March 2027	World Book Day
Wednesday 17 th March 2027	UDANCE, Carnegie Theatre
Friday 19 th March 2027	Red Nose Day; Comic Relief
<u>Thursday 25th March 2027</u>	<u>Break up for Easter</u>

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Summer Term

<u>Tuesday 13th April 2027</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Tuesday 13 th April 2027	Year 4 levels Trip (pm)
Weds 28 th – Fri 30 th April 2027	Year 5 Residential - York
Thurs 29 th – Fri 30 th April 2027	Year 2 Residential - Hawkshead
<u>Monday 3rd May 2027</u>	<u>Bank Holiday-School Closed</u>
Week commencing 10 th May 2027	Year 6 S.A.T's week
<u>Friday 28th May 2027</u>	<u>SPORTS DAY</u>
	<u>Break up for Half Term</u>
<u>Monday 7th June 2027</u>	<u>Children return to school</u>
Tues 8 th – Fri 11 th June 2027	Year 6 London Residential
Monday 14 th June 2027 (pm)	Year 4 Levels Trip
Friday 18 th June 2027	Back up Sports Day
Thursday 24 th June 2027	KS2 Summer Showcase
Monday 28 th June 2027	Whole School Walk
Weds 30 th June 2027	Move up Day
Tuesday 6 th July 2027	Year 6 S.A.T's Results Day
Monday 12 th July 2027	Reports sent home
Tuesday 13 th July 2027	Open Afternoon Years 1 - 5
Wednesday 14 th July 2027	Year 6 Leavers Bash
<u>Friday 16th July 2027 1.30p.m</u>	<u>Break up for the Summer Holidays</u>



PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE DATES ARE PROVISIONAL AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE