



# VICKERSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## AUTUMN 2018 NEWSLETTER

Providing an outstanding education in the Heart of the Community

Welcome to this term's issue of the Vickerstown School Newsletter

We have had a fantastic start to the first half of the school term, everyone has been working so hard! With lots of exciting activities already taken place we have much to look forward to over the coming year. Please see the important dates section to see what we have planned.

We look forward to seeing you at our class assemblies as well as other events that are being organised in school.

### Term dates 2018

<b>Autumn Term 2018</b>	Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September - Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December
Half Term	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> - Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>Spring Term 2019</b>	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> January - Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March
Half Term	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February
<b>Summer Term 2019</b>	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April - Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May
Good Friday - 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Monday - 22 <sup>nd</sup> April
Early May Bank Holiday - Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	

No Parking



Parking on the school site is reserved for staff, parents who have applied for and been given a school parking permit or people attending meetings in school. No other parents should be parking on site at the beginning or end of the day or if there is an event in school as we have taxis, delivery vehicles and minibuses needing the space to park and manoeuvre. Please allow a few extra minutes to park away from school as the safety of our children should be everyone's priority.

### Become a School Governor

School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise standards and monitor resources effectively. They work as a team and come from a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to school life by offering their skills, expertise and time.

We are looking for dedicated individuals who want to make a difference in the lives of children and are willing to share their experience in an educational environment and who could also offer their knowledge and expertise in one or more of these areas; finance, human resources, health and safety, communications or managing premises.

If you have a passion for improving the life chances of children and can offer supportive challenge to the leadership of our school to help us to fulfil our vision, please contact the school office for further information.

Governors do not need any formal qualifications but must be aged 18 years and over.

### Don't Forget!

Harvest Festival	17 <sup>th</sup> October
Halloween Disco	30 <sup>th</sup> October
School Photographs	2 <sup>nd</sup> November
Parents Evenings	6 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> November
Y4 trip to Liverpool	14 <sup>th</sup> November
Y5 Assembly	23 <sup>rd</sup> November
Christmas Fair	29 <sup>th</sup> November
Y4 Assembly	7 <sup>th</sup> December
Xmas Play afternoon	11 <sup>th</sup> December
Xmas Play evening	12 <sup>th</sup> December
Xmas lunch & jumper day	13 <sup>th</sup> December
End of Term	21 <sup>st</sup> December
Inset Day	7 <sup>th</sup> January
Back to school	8 <sup>th</sup> January

In July, the Year 5 class did some fundraising based on an R.E. topic. They decided to do some fundraising for Ward 6 at Furness General Hospital, which was a success and raised £350! The class organised a film event for the whole school; Bramble, Reception and KS1 in the afternoon and KS2 after school. They created tickets and provided children with a hot dog, drink and treat.  
Well done Year 5!



### Farewell & Hello...



At the end of last Term we said a sad goodbye to Miss Sweeting..



But welcomed back Year 1 teacher Mrs Cunningham

### Flowers of the Week



A huge thank you to Cath for raising money to buy the school new VIP hoodies, Cath held a coffee morning at home with her friends and raised £200, with £150 being spent on VIP hoodies and the rest going towards the school.



The children had a wonderful time watching the musical in Manchester!

### A message from...

### Friends of Vickerstown

Hello again. For those who don't know who the Friends of Vickerstown are, we are a group of parents and teachers who work together to raise funds for the school to provide fun activities, treats and resources for the children that goes beyond the usual school budget.

A couple of things to note:

The Halloween party is back this year, on Tuesday 30th.

We will then be planning our fabulous Christmas Fair with a special visit from Santa.

We will also be getting our cheque from the Coniston to Barrow walk soon.

Also look out for our other events coming up which will include our famous quiz night hosted by our very own Mr Brewerton.

Thanks to everyone who helped during last school year, attended our events or provided prizes, cakes etc. We only do this with your help. If you would like to join in, please contact [h.smith@vickerstown.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:h.smith@vickerstown.cumbria.sch.uk) or leave your name with the office.

### Vickersfest

Thank you to everyone for supporting Vickersfest it was a huge success!

A total of £516.13 was raised!

The funds have been shared between 'Friends of Vickerstown' and the CuddleCot fundraiser.

We can't wait for next year!

### CuddleCot



Thanks to the wonderful effort of our children at Vickersfest, the remaining balance was raised and we were able to reach the final total of £1600 to buy a CuddleCot.

Angel Wings bought the Cuddle Cot and Little & Caine in Dalton have recently received it.

Miss Leahy and Mrs Dawes are going to officially hand over the cot this week and the Mail will be covering the story.

A huge thank you to the staff, children and parents for all your support.

Miss Leahy



What a fantastic experience watching the Tour of Britain! The children had a brilliant time watching the bikers zoom by and enjoying the entertainment provided at the Dock Museum.



*You are capable of amazing things...*