



# Victoria School

Achieve, Believe, Learn together.

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## Newsletter Summer Term 2026

24/04/2026

We cannot believe it is the end of week two already!

We have enjoyed all our new learning and themes this week.

On Wednesday pupils enjoyed the woodwork workshop and on Thursday year two pupils visited Workington Academy where they were invited to take part in a multi skills and PE activity day. We are grateful for the opportunity to take part and with lots of other schools, we had a wonderful day.



This week I have had the privilege of seeing lots of pupils and giving them their headteacher's awards. The pupil's knowledge and skills in writing are fantastic and they have made so much progress, it was great to see. Please look at our Facebook or class dojo for the wonderful writing.

Open day on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 10am-12noon please come along and look at our wonderful Early years.

### Staffing update

At the end of this half term Miss Park in Helvellyn will begin her maternity leave. Miss Barlow will be the class teacher in Helvellyn until the end of the school year. Miss Barlow will be working each Friday in school so she is familiar with the class and pupils.

Next week we are having a themed day on Tuesday where each class has selected a key place in Workington to focus on and learn about. Each class or nursery will learn about the place or something specific to wonderful Workington and we will produce art work for our gallery and, learn new knowledge and skills. We cannot wait to share our wonderful Workington project with you.

### Summer uniform

The summer uniform policy applies for this term where smart black shorts can be worn, there will be no summer dresses allowed as the pupils can wear their skirts and polo shirt. If in the event that the weather is very hot, we change the pupils into their PE kits and will inform nursery parents/carers that the pupils can wear shorts and t-shirts.



### Parking

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ISLAY PLACE.  
On Wednesday when we have had a number of afterschool clubs Islay place has been getting very congested to the point where we are concerned about the safety of our pupils and parents/carers. There is not enough space to turn and when cars are parked on both sides it makes it difficult to see when crossing.

### Pupil Achievements

We would also like to hear about and share on our newsletter any pupil who is proud of something they have achieved outside of school. We will put this into our newsletter each week. Please send the details to the admin.

Little reminder if you need to contact the Headteacher please ring the office for an appointment or send an email and Mrs Hepburn-Fish will be happy to help.

### CHUF

We are incredibly proud to share that, thanks to the generosity of our school community, we raised an amazing £291.73 for CHUF! ❤️

This charity holds a very special place in the hearts of Seb and his family in our Nursery. Seb is now doing wonderfully thanks to the vital care and support he has received.

Your kindness and willingness to support this cause will help CHUF continue their incredible work supporting children and families just like Seb's.

Thank you to everyone who donated and helped make this day so meaningful.



### Woodwork Workshop

This week, our Year 2 pupils took part in an exciting woodwork workshop in school, which they thoroughly enjoyed. During the session, the children were introduced to the tools and skills used by professional joiners. The visiting joiners spoke to the pupils

about their roles and gave an insight into the day-to-day tasks involved in their work. The children then had the opportunity to use tools such as chisels, saws and hammers, working collaboratively to build hedgehog houses. These will be placed around the school grounds to provide shelter and homes for wildlife on our field. We would like to say a big thank you to the staff from Sellafeld, Mite and Amentum for delivering such an engaging workshop and for working so closely with the children throughout the day. We look forward to working with them again in the future.



### Fundraising Update:

Last week, the staff and the children baked some yummy cakes to sell at the Travis Perkins trade day and we then had a little cake sale after-school on the playground. We can proudly announce that we raised an amazing £1,025 and a further £45 pounds. A big thank you to all the staff for their support and a special mention to Lewis Harkness at Travis Perkins for letting us raise some money for our playground at the trade day. We are becoming closer to our playground target and we want to thank you for your continued support with our fundraising.

### KS1 Playground:

Last week, the student leaders had an important job to have a little sneak peek into the potential playground design and look in the playground catalogue. Each child highlighted what they would like to have on the new playground and spoke on behalf of their peers in class. The staff then held a staff meeting this week to collaborate and discuss even further how we can reach our playground target.



maths learning here at Victoria Infant and Nursery School and look our amazing maths learning the children have completed throughout the year.

Please enter using the usual door that you would drop your child off at.

The event will take place between 2-3pm. If your child attends morning nursery there will be an additional session between 9:30-10:30am.

We look forward to welcoming you into school!



### National Numeracy Day - 20th May 2026

Parents/Carers are invited into school to take part in a fun and engaging maths lesson with their child/ren.

During this session, you will gain an insight into how your child learns maths at school. This is also an opportunity for you to ask any questions in regards to your child's



Cumberland Council, in partnership with local NHS services, are pleased to announce the launch of a new Neurodiversity and Emotional Wellbeing Service. The service is being piloted for an initial 12 months in the Cumberland area from November 2025, and has been developed with the support of SENDAC, the statutory parent/ carer forum for Cumbria.

The service will focus on early intervention and prevention, offering support at soon as needs are noticed. It will provide support, advice and guidance to families with children who have needs related to neurodivergence or emotional wellbeing.

This includes children from 0-19, or young people up to aged 25 who have a diagnosed special educational need or disability. The Service team is made up of two Social Prescribers, five Support Workers, a Health & Wellbeing Coach, three Emotional Resilience Nurses, a Clinical Psychologist, and an Assistant Psychologist who can provide clinical support and guidance when needed.

The service has:

A Neurodiversity and Emotional Wellbeing section on the Cumberland Family Hubs website which has information, advice, and strategies to support families if they feel they need it.

A single point of contact for parents, carers, young people, and professionals to contact the service to receive further advice and support.

A new strength and needs assessment that can be completed with families to understand each child or young person and plan the right support.

You can find out more on the service webpages, hosted on the Cumberland Family Hubs website:

<https://cumberlandfamilyhubs.org.uk/neurodiversity-and...>

Or email the team at [NDandEW@cumberland.gov.uk](mailto:NDandEW@cumberland.gov.uk)

**Pupil Premium Grant**

The pupil premium is **additional** government funding for pupils who are eligible and have applied for Free School Meals (FSM) or at any time in the previous six years, as well as Children Looked After (CLA), adopted children (Ad) and for service families. The funding goes direct to your school and makes a real difference to the opportunities and support available to all our young people

### **Free School Meals**

All reception, year one and year two pupil receive universal meals but some parents/carers are eligible for free school meals. Please apply now and this will entitle you to food vouchers during the school holidays and additional foodbank vouchers for Christmas. Please apply through Cumberland Council

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/schools-and-education/free-school-meals-clothing-vouchers-and-activities/free-school-meals-and-clothing-vouchers>



## Behaviour update

The whole school have been working on updating our school rules. The student leaders held an assembly and shared the final ones with the whole school. You can watch the attached video to hear our school rules

<https://www.facebook.com/share/v/1PpusEwC8M/>



## Health and safety reminders

All pupils must be brought to their entrance to their class by an adult so that they are handed over to the staff safely. Pupils must not be left at the gates or parts of the playground to walk to the class by themselves. Pupils can only be collected by one of the named adult contacts who has permission to collect. If for some reason your child will not be collected by a named contact please contact the school office so we can ensure that we are handing your child to the correct adult at the end of the day.

No dogs can be brought onto the school premises other than guide dogs.

No smoking, vaping or e cigarettes are permitted on school premises.

The main staff car park cannot be used at any time this includes dropping off for breakfast club or collecting for afterschool club.

Afterschool we request that parents/carers leave the school after collecting your child and not play on the equipment. We have a number of afterschool clubs running and we need access to the playground and the gates locked so the pupils can begin their club. Thank you



A little reminder that we ask for a coat to be worn. The pupils are outside for playtimes and outdoor learning is a key part to our younger pupils.

**BRAND NEW  
NAME**

The Safeguarding Hub has changed their name to Cumberland Children Advice &

### Support Service

As of 1 September 2025, the Cumberland Safeguarding Hub changed their name to Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service (CCASS).

This change of name is to support the 'one front door' model, so any children requiring support from the Local Authority, whether this be extra help via the Family Hubs, or a safeguarding response, will have their needs assessed through the screening and triage services CCASS offer, this will ensure the right level of service at the right time for children.

Consultation on the new name has been undertaken with children from across Cumberland, through the Participation and Outreach Team. We are proud to hear their views and have adopted their preferred name.

### How can a member of the public make a referral?

If a member of the public is concerned about a child, they can make a referral to CCASS. They can do this in a number of ways:

- Call the Cumberland Children Advice & Support Service on 0333 240 1727 during office hours (Monday to Thursday, 9am – 5pm, and Friday, 9am – 4.30pm).
- Discuss their concerns with someone who works with children, young people and their families, such as a Health Visitor, Social Worker, School Nurse or School Designated Safeguarding Lead.
- Submit a Single Contact Form, selecting 'I am an adult with concerns about a child'.
  - [Cumberland Single Contact Form](#)

If members of the public have a concern outside of office hours, which will not wait until the next working day, they should contact the Children's Emergency Duty Team on 0333 240 1727 and provide them with as much information as possible.

### Lunch Time Menu

Our Lunch time menu is on a two-week rolling rota. Each week we will put a copy of the following weeks menu on the bottom of the newsletter. Please note this can be subject to change depending on supplier's availability.

### Earrings

Earrings that have just been newly pierced must be covered each day. After 8 weeks the earrings need to be removed. We have a number of pupils who are wearing hoops/fashion earrings and covering these over. These must be removed. Thank you.

### Baby Rainbows

Baby Rainbows runs every Thursday at 1:30pm – 3:00pm for under Two-year olds. Come and join us for a cake and a cuppa with other parents/carers



## MATTERS- PUNCTUALITY MATTERS

**Getting your child to school really matters. Did you know...**

| If your child's attendance during the school year... | Your child would have lost approximately... | Or they would have missed approximately... |
|--|---|--|
| Was 95%  | 9 Days from School                          | 50 Lessons                                 |
| Was 90%  | 19 Days from School                         | 100 Lessons                                |
| Was 85%  | 29 Days from School                         | 150 Lessons                                |
| Was 80%  | 38 Days from School                         | 200 Lessons                                |
| Was 75%  | 48 Days from School                         | 250 Lessons                                |

You should not take your child on holiday during term time. Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.

Remember  
Absence = Lost Opportunity

### Absence

It is parents/carers responsibility to report your child as absent, please contact the school before 8.45am and leave a message on the automated service using option 1, Failure to report absences will result in a phone call and a text from the school to explain the absence. If we are not informed about child's attendance our first day contact procedures are followed. This includes a home visit and after this if we cannot make contact to find out the reason for the absence the police will be contacted as the child will be classed as missing.

### Absence due to reported illness / Appointments

If you have reported your child absent due to illness then school will contact you on the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive day of absence with a welfare call. On the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of illness we would be advising parents to seek medical advice as a prolonged period of illness would generally require medical attention. Where the illness continues into a 4<sup>th</sup> day and school have no supporting medical evidence such as a GP appointment then a home visit will be carried out to see the child.

If your child has a medical appointment then school are required to ask for evidence of all appointments to authorise the absence. This could be in the form of a letter, appointment card or screenshot of text message etc...

### Wake up Wednesday

YouTube continues to be one of the most popular platforms for young people, offering a mix of entertainment, creativity and learning.

However, its vast content library and recommendation systems can also expose children to risks that are not always easy to spot.

Our latest [#WakeUpWednesday](#) guide highlights key concerns, including:

- Inappropriate or extreme content
- Interaction with strangers
- Risky trends and challenges
- The impact of short-form content

It also offers practical advice, such as using YouTube Kids, setting parental controls and watching content together.

Download the guide here:

<https://vist.ly/4zbr3>

[#OnlineSafety](#)

[#Safeguarding](#)

[#DigitalParenting](#) [#WakeUpWednesday](#)



## Well-being

Looking for ways to support your own and your family's wellbeing?

Please take a moment to explore our school Wellbeing Information Resource-it signposts

you to useful contacts, and resources that are available to help!

More information and resources are available on the school and Cumberland Council Websites.

<https://www.victoriaschool.org.uk/school>

[Homepage | Cumberland Family Hubs](#)

[Wellbeing support and resources | Cumberland Council](#)

We offer an open-door policy at Victoria School. Please do not hesitate to contact us for further support or guidance.



Victoria School

Life has its ups and downs, and sometimes, a little support can make all the difference.

- YOUNG MINDS** You are not alone we are here to help. [www.youngminds.org.uk](http://www.youngminds.org.uk)
- NSPCC** Call if you need help on 0800 600 5000. [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)
- Every life matters** Action against suicide in Cumbria. [www.every-life-matters.org.uk](http://www.every-life-matters.org.uk)
- kooth** Get free, safe, anonymous support. [www.kooth.com](http://www.kooth.com)
- Child Bereavement UK** Get advice on coping with bereavement. [www.childbereavementuk.org.uk](http://www.childbereavementuk.org.uk)
- Cumbria Family Support** Our charity offers support for children and families who are experiencing stress or difficulties. [www.cumbriafamilysupport.org.uk](http://www.cumbriafamilysupport.org.uk)

**Self Esteem**

**Low Mood**

**Bullying**

**Behaviour**

**Toileting**

**Sleep**



## Virtual Clinics for children aged 5-11 Years

**NHS**  
Harrogate and District  
NHS Foundation Trust

### Emotional Health & Resilience Clinic

Ring or email to book a consultation on  
0300 304 9029  
hdft.spoc0-19cumberland@nhs.net

### School Nurse Clinic

We can help your child feel heard, build resilience, and grow with confidence if they are struggling emotionally.



We're here to help with any concerns about your child's sleep, toileting, diet, or development—supporting them to grow feeling comfortable, confident, and happy



**Anger**

**Anxiety**

**Worry**

**Diet**

**Development**

## SEND Drop-in sessions



**SEND drop in sessions**  
**The last Friday in the month**

Mrs Humble and Mrs Collins will be hosting SENCO drop in sessions on the last Friday of the month. Cup of tea, Biscuit and a very warm welcome.

Are you and your child on a SEND journey?  
Are you overwhelmed with new jargon?  
Do you need guidance on where to go for help?

For any SEND related issues or questions we will aim to help, signpost you to the right resources and support you with any referral processes you are unaware of.

9 am-10.00 am Located in after school club.

## Week One Menu

| Choice                   | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday  |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| Main One                 | Margherita Pizza<br>Or<br>Pepperoni Pizza   | Bolognaise   | Roast Turkey Joint  | Turkey Burger   | Fish Cakes  |
| Main Two                 | Fish Fingers  | Homemade cheese pie<br>Or<br>Handmade sausage roll   | Beef Grill  | Chicken breast in gravy   | Chicken mini fillets  |
| Main Three               | Cheese<br>Ham<br>Or<br>Tuna<br>Sandwich   | Cheese<br>Ham<br>Or<br>Tuna<br>Sandwich  | Cheese<br>Ham<br>Or<br>Tuna<br>Sandwich   | Cheese<br>Ham<br>Or<br>Tuna<br>Sandwich   | Cheese<br>Ham<br>Or<br>Tuna<br>Sandwich   |
| Sides<br>&<br>Vegetables | Smilie Faces,<br>Rice<br><br>AND<br><br>Baked Beans,<br>Garden Peas   | Mash potato,<br>Spaghetti<br><br>AND<br><br>Green Beans,<br>Sweetcorn  | Mash Potato,<br>Roast Potato<br><br>AND<br><br>Carrots,<br>Garden Peas<br>Yorkshire Pudding,<br>Gravy   | Oven Chips,<br>Pasta Spirals<br><br>AND<br><br>Cauliflower,<br>Garden Peas  | Mash Potato,<br>Oven Chips<br><br>AND<br><br>Sweetcorn,<br>Spaghetti hoops  |
| Salad Bar                | Lettuce, Cherry<br>Tomatoes, Boiled Egg,<br>Cucumber, Peppers,<br>Beetroot, Coleslaw,<br>Carrot Batons, Pasta<br>Salad, Red Onion,<br>Grated Cheese, Fresh<br>bread | Lettuce, Cherry<br>Tomatoes, Boiled Egg,<br>Cucumber, Peppers,<br>Beetroot, Coleslaw,<br>Carrot Batons, Pasta<br>Salad, Red Onion,<br>Grated Cheese, Garlic<br>bread | Lettuce, Cherry<br>Tomatoes, Boiled Egg,<br>Cucumber, Peppers,<br>Beetroot, Coleslaw,<br>Carrot Batons, Pasta<br>Salad, Red Onion,<br>Grated Cheese, Fresh<br>bread | Lettuce, Cherry<br>Tomatoes, Boiled Egg,<br>Cucumber, Peppers,<br>Beetroot, Coleslaw,<br>Carrot Batons, Pasta<br>Salad, Red Onion,<br>Grated Cheese, Fresh<br>bread | Lettuce, Cherry<br>Tomatoes, Boiled Egg,<br>Cucumber, Peppers,<br>Beetroot, Coleslaw,<br>Carrot Batons, Pasta<br>Salad, Red Onion,<br>Grated Cheese, Fresh<br>bread |
| Dessert                  | Iced sponge<br>Or<br>Carrot cake  | Shortbread<br>Or<br>Chocolate crunch,<br>Served with Custard   | Rice pudding,<br>Peaches<br>Or<br>Chocolate chip cookie   | Ginger bread<br>Or<br>Crispy cake,<br>Served with Custard   | Ice-cream<br>Or<br>Jelly  |
| Daily Options            | Fresh Fruit,<br>Yoghurt   | Fresh Fruit,<br>Yoghurt  | Fresh Fruit,<br>Yoghurt   | Fresh Fruit,<br>Yoghurt   | Fresh Fruit,<br>Yoghurt   |

\*Items are subject to change. \*Dietary options are available each day.



## Whole School Attendance Week Ending 24/04/2026

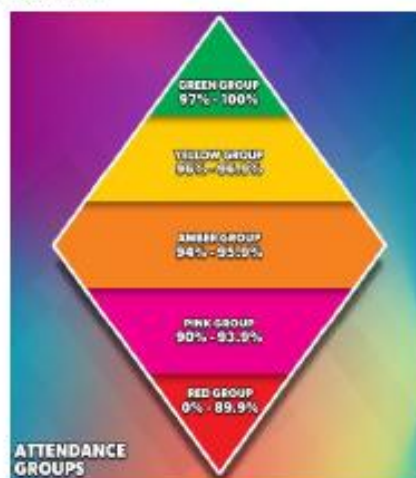
### School Attendance Matters (SAM)

| Class           | Last Week | This Week | Trend |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| Rainbow Nursery | 79.2%     | 80.7%     | ▲     |
| Piglet AM       | 97.1%     | 94.0%     | ▼     |
| Piglet PM       | 93.9%     | 89.9%     | ▼     |
| Eeyore          | 96.1%     | 100.0%    | ▲     |
| Tigger          | 88.8%     | 99.3%     | ▲     |
| Roos            | 96.6%     | 94.1%     | ▼     |
| Blencathra      | 95.6%     | 92.3%     | ▼     |
| Great Gable     | 97.0%     | 97.2%     | ▲     |
| Helvellyn       | 99.6%     | 99.3%     | ▼     |
| Catbells        | 92.1%     | 85.8%     | ▼     |
| Red Pike        | 99.1%     | 96.4%     | ▼     |
| Scafell Pike    | 97.6%     | 99.3%     | ▲     |
| Skiddaw         | 98.5%     | 98.4%     | ▼     |
| Rainbow Room    | 84.8%     | 85.2%     | ▲     |
| Whole School    | 95.30%    | 94.70%    | ▼     |

**Our attendance target is 96%**

If your child has had 100% attendance this week then they will receive a prize draw ticket for the end of term draw. The more weeks they have 100% attendance the more chances they have to win.

|      |           |                  |
|------|-----------|------------------|
| 100% | 0 DAYS    | 0 DAYS MISSED    |
| 99%  | 1 DAY     | 1 DAY MISSED     |
| 98%  | 3 DAYS    | 3 DAYS MISSED    |
| 97%  | 1 WEEK    | 5 DAYS MISSED    |
| 96%  | 1.5 WEEKS | 7.5 DAYS MISSED  |
| 94%  | 2 WEEKS   | 10 DAYS MISSED   |
| 93%  | 2.5 WEEKS | 12.5 DAYS MISSED |
| 92%  | 3 WEEKS   | 15 DAYS MISSED   |
| 90%  | 3.5 WEEKS | 17.5 DAYS MISSED |



## **Victoria School Nursery, Infant and Junior Term Dates 2025/2026**

### Autumn Term 2025

Starts: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025

Half Term: Monday 27<sup>th</sup> - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

Ends: Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

### Spring Term 2026

Starts: Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Half Term: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

Ends: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

### Summer Term 2026

Starts: Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Half Term: Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026

Ends: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

Good Friday: 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Easter Sunday: 5<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Monday: 6<sup>th</sup> April

May bank holiday: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026

## **INSET DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2025-2026**

**INSET** are determined locally

Please note these may differ from Cumbria County Council term dates

## **Victoria School Nursery, Infant and Junior Term Dates 2026/2027**

### Autumn Term 2026

Starts: Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026

Half Term: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026

Ends: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2026

### Spring Term 2027

Starts: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2027

Half Term: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2027

Ends: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2027

### Summer Term 2027

Starts: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2027

Half Term: Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2027

Ends: Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2027

Good Friday: 26<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Sunday: 28<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Monday: 29<sup>th</sup> March

May bank holiday: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027

## **INSET DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027**

INSET are determined locally

Please note these may differ from Cumberland Council term dates

## **Victoria School Nursery, Infant and Junior Term Dates 2027/2028**

### Autumn Term 2027

Starts: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2027

Half Term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2027

Ends: Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2027

### Spring Term 2028

Starts: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2028

Half Term: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> - Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2028

Ends: Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2028

### Summer Term 2028

Starts: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2028

Half Term: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2028

Ends: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2028

Good Friday: 14<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Sunday: 16<sup>th</sup> April

Easter Monday: 17<sup>th</sup> April

May bank holiday: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2028

## **INSET DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2027-2028**

**INSET are determined locally**

**Please note these may differ from Cumberland Council term dates**

## **Victoria School Nursery, Infant and Junior Term Dates 2028/2029**

### Autumn Term 2028

Starts: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2028

Half Term: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2028

Ends: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2028

### Spring Term 2029

Starts: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2029

Half Term: Monday 19<sup>th</sup> - Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2029

Ends: Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2029

### Summer Term 2029

Starts: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2029

Half Term: Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2029

Ends: Friday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2029

Good Friday: 30<sup>th</sup> March

Easter Sunday: 1<sup>st</sup> April

Easter Monday: 2<sup>nd</sup> April

May bank holiday: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2029

## **INSET DAYS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2028-2029**

**INSET are determined locally**

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## Dairy Dates

### Summer term 2026 Victoria School, Infants and Nursery

Please check weekly as they can be updated and dates may change.

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| Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup>        | Early years open event 10am-12pm at Victoria Infant School.                              |  |
|                                  |  |  |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April    | Nursery fire service visit.  |  |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April    | Year Two pupils going to Winmarleigh Hall will arrange their groups together.            |  |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April    | Gardening Club until 4pm.  |  |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April    | Maths number ninja's until 4pm.  |  |
| Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> April   | History focus Wonderful Workington project for all pupils.                               |  |
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April | Nursery fire service visit.  |  |
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April | Year Two Great fire of London workshop.  |  |
| Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April | Phonics afterschool club 3:45pm.   |  |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April  | Nursery fire service visit.  |  |
| Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> April  | Baby Rainbows at 1:30pm.   |  |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May       |  |  |
|                                  |  |  |
| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May       | <b>School closed for May bank holiday.</b>   |  |
| Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May      | Year Two Winmarleigh Hall residential.   |  |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May    | Year Two Winmarleigh Hall residential pupils return.                                     |  |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May    | Year Two trip to Fitz Park Keswick for those not attending Winmarleigh Hall residential. |  |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May    | Phonics afterschool club 3:45pm.   |  |
| Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May    | Pro-Ride balance bikes.  |  |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May     | Pro-Ride balance bikes.  |  |
| Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> May     | Baby Rainbows at 1:30pm.   |  |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May       | Whitehaven music festival at Marchon club for the choir.                                 |  |

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| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May     | School Assembly – Water safety delivered by the fire service.                                |   |
| Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May     | Pro-Ride balance bikes.  |   |
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| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May    | Assessment week.   |   |
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May    | Gardening Club until 4pm.  |   |
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May    | Maths number ninja's until 4pm.  |   |
| Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May   |  |   |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May | PCSO assembly – Anti-bullying.   |   |
| Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May | Phonics afterschool club 3:45pm.   |   |
| Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May  | Baby Rainbows at 1:30pm.   |   |
| Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May    | Tempest – Class photos and family photos.  | Family photo's from 8am, enter via year two entrance. |
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| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May    | Gardening Club until 4pm.  |   |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May    | Maths number ninja's until 4pm.  |   |
| Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May   |  |   |
| Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May | National numeracy day – Parents open afternoon.  | Details to follow.                                    |
| Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May  | School breaks up at normal time for May half-term.   |   |
| Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May    | School closed for May half-term.   |   |
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|                                | SCHOOL CLOSED FOR MAY HALF-TERM<br>FRIDAY 22 <sup>ND</sup> MAY – FRIDAY 29 <sup>TH</sup> MAY |   |
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| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June    | School returns at 8:45am.  |   |


## Children's Speech and Language Therapy Advice Service

I am **wondering about** a child's...

**Communication**  
**Talking**  
**Understanding**  
**Pronunciation**  
**Stammer**  
**Voice**  
**Swallowing**



## Ask a Speech and Language Therapist

 **Advice Line open**  
**Monday 1- 4pm**  
**Thursday 8:30 – 11:30**

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*Anyone can contact us to ask questions and get advice about a child's communication. We can take referrals over the advice line if needed.*

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Victoria Infant and Nursery School

*Achieve, Believe and Learn Together.*



### Maximising children's opportunities to learn

At Victoria Infant and Nursery School we are continuing to develop our school's action plan of allowing all children to achieve, believe and learn the best that they can. This year, we have been thinking of ways we can support resilience and behaviour and we would like to share with parents/carers what we have started to implement in our school.

### Class rules:

As you may know by now, the children of the school have chosen a set of class rules. They narrowed it down to the 7 main rules that we should be following as a school. The student leaders implemented this with their peers to reduce any unwanted behaviour within the school. A video link can be found on the website if you would like to know what our class rules are.



### Head teacher/staff visits:

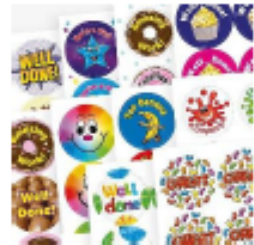


We have had an increase in pupils visiting Mrs Hepburn-Fish and other teachers across the school with their amazing work or any WOW moments that should be shared with members of staff.

Children are always very proud to show off their hard work and determination and this has also been proven successful with the improvement of the children's wellbeing, mental health and resilience.

### Stickers:

We are aware that children learn the best through positive praise and rewards. We have increased the number of stickers that are given to children for their hard work, determination and achieving personal skills. This has proven to be successful with the pupils and it has been observed that the pupils are a big fan of the scented stickers!



### Top table awards:

As we are developing our action plan to support all pupils to achieve well, we have introduced class trophies. These trophies are awarded to tables/groups/pupils that are wowing their teachers in class during learning. It is their status symbol to show off. Those groups/pupils that achieve the trophy at the end of the learning will be awarded stickers and/or dojo points.



The purpose of these different strategies we have developed in our school is to maximise all of our pupils to achieve well and to develop wellbeing and resilience. We will continue to develop these strategies in our school and parents/carers will be updated on any changes and progress.

Thank you for your continued support.