



Newsletter

Lowther Endowed School & Little VIPs Day Care
Friday, 13th March 2026

Our school values: 'Achieving, Caring, Enjoying'



Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Celebrations:

Eden Rock Bouldering Competition – on Friday, 27th February, 12 of Badgers Class represented the school at Eden Rock Bouldering Competition. For most this was the first time climbing and they did amazing! They pushed themselves to try each route and never gave up. They showed great team spirit supporting one another.

Year 3 & 4 Quick Sticks – on Thursday, 26th March, 6 children from years 3 & 4 had a fantastic afternoon at the quick sticks hockey tournament with local schools. They were true sportspeople, showing strength, resilience, and teamwork, and they all made so much progress over the course of the afternoon.

World Book Day – on Friday, 6th March it was such a pleasure to invite our mums, dads and grandparents into school today to celebrate World Book Day with us. We were also super excited to have some of our pre-school children from Red Squirrels to join us too!

Forthcoming Events:



Dry Slope Skiing – on Monday, 16th and Wednesday, 25th March, Mrs Douthwaite has arranged for Badgers class to take part in an exciting dry slope skiing experience. Please ensure they come to school on Monday with everything stated on the letter sent home (copies can be found on the school website as usual).

Hancock Museum – on Tuesday, 17th March Ms Thwaites has arranged for the whole school to visit the Great North Museum: Hancock in Newcastle. **Please ensure children are in school for 7.50am on Tuesday, 17th March as we are leaving PROMPTLY at 8am. We are aiming to be back at school at 4pm.**



Comic Relief Red Nose Day - on Friday, 20th March we will be raising money for Red Nose Day – Take Yourself Funny. We would like children to do something funny ie: wear silly clothes; have a funny hairstyle for the day!

Parents & Carers Consultations – we will be holding our Spring term parents and carers consultations on Monday, 23rd and Thursday, 26th March between 3.40pm and 5.40pm. These consultations are an opportunity for you to meet with your child(ren)'s class teacher to discuss their progress and future learning targets. A letter has been sent home with your child yesterday.



Easter Celebration Assembly – we would like to invite family and friends to join us in an Easter celebration assembly on Friday, 27th March at 2.30pm in the school hall. The winners of the Easter egg competition will also be announced.

Notices:

Little VIPs Day Care – we would like to share that Hayley Greenhow will be leaving our nursery today.



Hayley has worked at Little VIPs for 18 years and has been a valued and dedicated member of the team throughout that time. She was instrumental in supporting the school governors when they took over Little VIPs in summer 2024, helping to ensure continuity and stability during an important period of change.

We would like to thank Hayley for her many years of commitment and hard work and wish her every success in the future.



Parent and Carers Questionnaire – thank you to everyone who has completed the questionnaire so far. However, we would like **ALL** parents and carers to complete our school questionnaire therefore, we have extended the feedback time to **Monday, 16th March**. Please use the following link: [Lowther Endowed School Parent & Carers View Questionnaire 2026 – Fill in form](#)

Your views are extremely important to us. As parents and carers, you have a unique insight into your child's experience, and your feedback helps us understand what is working well and where we can continue to improve. By sharing your perspective, you support us



in making informed decisions that benefit our whole school community.



Booking Breakfast & After School Club - please remember to book Breakfast Club and After School Club in advance wherever possible.

If you need to make a booking on the same day after 1.30pm, please call the school office directly. Emails sent after this time may not be seen in time, so calling ensures that we can safely arrange care for your child.

Vacancies - We are currently recruiting for the following positions:



- Early Years Childcare Practitioner
- Midday Supervisor
- Clerk to the Governors

If you are passionate about supporting children's learning and wellbeing, or contributing to the smooth running of our school, we would love to hear from you.

For full job descriptions, application details, and closing dates, please visit our website: <https://www.lowther.cumbria.sch.uk/current-staff-vacancies>

Join our team and make a real difference in our school community!



Easter Egg Competition - we're 'eggcited' to announce our Easter Egg Decorating Competition with Lowther Endowed School & Little VIPs!

This is a lovely opportunity for our pupils, both in school and nursery, to get creative and celebrate the Easter season in a fun and colourful way.

Families are very welcome to work together and enter jointly — it's all about having fun and making memories! All enters are to be brought into school no later than **Thursday, 26th March**.

Need some inspiration? Here are a few ideas to get you started:

- Spring animals (bunnies, chicks, lambs)
- Favourite characters or superheroes
- Bright patterns, glitter, or pastel designs
- Nature-themed eggs (flowers, bugs, rainbows)
- Funny faces or silly expressions
- Traditional Easter designs

If you ever have any concerns or matters you wish to address, please do not hesitate to speak to me, a member of staff or a member of the governing body.

Best Wishes

Michelle Clark – Headteacher





Diary Dates

Date	Time	Who?	What?	Learning Objective
Spring 2 Term				
Every Tuesday	1.00pm – 1.25pm	Whole School	Church in the Barn Assembly	RE: To learn about Christian and world views.
Every Thursday until Summer term	1.30pm – 2.15pm	Badgers	Mini Steel Pan	Music: To learn how to play a percussion instrument.
Monday, 16.03.26	AM	Badgers	Dry-slope skiing at Kendal Ski Club	PE: To participate in a new sport.
Tuesday, 17.03.26	All day	Whole School	Hancock Museum, Newcastle	History: To learn about past events.
Monday, 23.03.26	AM	Whole School	Tempest Photography – class photos	
Monday, 23.03.26	3.45pm – 5.30pm	Parents & Carers	Parents & Carers evening	To discuss pupil progress and next steps.
Wednesday, 25.03.26	AM	Badgers	Dry-slope skiing at Kendal Ski Club	PE: To participate in a new sport.
Thursday, 26.03.26	3.45pm – 5.30pm	Parents & Carers	Parents & Carers evening	To discuss pupil progress and next steps.
Thursday, 26.03.26	6.00pm – 8.00pm	Governors	Curriculum, Pupil & Staffing Committee Meeting	
Friday, 27.03.26	3.30pm	Whole School	Break up for Easter holidays	
Summer 1 Term				
Monday, 13.04.26	8.55am	Whole School	Start of Summer 1 term	
Monday, 13.04.26	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Whole School	ASC Football with Jake	
Every Tuesday	1.00pm – 1.25pm	Whole School	Church in the Barn Assembly	RE: To learn about Christian and world views.
Monday, 20.04.26	2.00pm – 3.00pm	Year 5	Mr Gilby, UCC to talk to Year 5	
Monday, 20.04.26	3.45pm – 4.45pm	Parents & Carers	Online Safety talk from member of Cumbria Constabulary Cyber and Digital Crime Unit	
Thursday, 23.04.26	PM	Badgers	EVSP Tag Rugby	PE: To participate in a competitive sport.
Tuesday, 28.04.26	All day	Badgers	Ernest Cook Trust – Low Becks Farm	Learning Beyond the Classroom
Thursday, 30.04.26	PM	Year 1 & 2	EVSP Tag Rugby Festival	PE: To participate in a new sport.
Monday, 04.05.26	All day	Whole School	Early May Bank Holiday	School & Nursery closed
Monday, 11.05.26	AM	Year 6	End of KS2 SATS – Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling	
Tuesday, 12.05.26	AM	Year 6	End of KS2 SATS – Reading	
Wednesday, 13.05.26	AM	Year 6	End of KS2 SATS – Maths Papers 1 & 2	
Thursday, 14.05.26	AM	Year 6	End of KS2 SATS – Paper 3	
Friday, 15.05.26	All day	Badgers	A66 archaeological visit	History: To discover about local history
Thursday, 21.05.26	PM	Selected children	Penrith local schools swimming gala	PE: To participate in a competitive sport.
Friday, 22.05.26	PM	Hedgehogs	Morland Area CofE School Farming Experience	Learning Beyond the Classroom
Friday, 22.05.26	3.30pm	Whole School	Break up for half term	



Summer 2 Term				
Monday, 01.06.26	8.55am	Whole School	Start of Summer 2 term	
Every Tuesday	1.00pm – 1.25pm	Whole School	Church in the Barn Assembly	RE: To learn about Christian and world views.
Tuesday, 02.06.26 – every Tuesday until end of Summer	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Whole School	ASC Cricket with Adam	
Every Thursday until Summer term	1.30pm – 2.15pm	Badgers	Mini Steel Pan	Music: To learn how to play a percussion instrument.
Tuesday, 09.06.26	All day	Badgers	Ernest Cook Trust – Low Becks Farm	Learning Beyond the Classroom
Tuesday, 23.06.26	All day	Hedgehogs	Ernest Cook Trust – Low Becks Farm	Learning Beyond the Classroom
Wednesday, 24.06.26 – Friday, 26.06.26	All day	Years 5 & 6	The Wilderness Company Residential, Crag Pond	PE: To take part in OAA
Thursday, 02.07.26	All day	Whole School	Move up Day	
Monday, 06.07.26	3.45pm – 4.45pm	New Starters	Parents information meeting for starting school in September 2026	
Wednesday, 08.07.26	All Day	Whole School	Sports and Enterprise Day	
Friday, 10.07.26	AM	Selected Pupils	Shap Swimming Gala	
Friday, 10.07.26	--	Parents & Carers	End of Year Reports	
Monday, 13.07.26	All Day	Whole School	Wheelchair basketball and rugby	
Wednesday, 15.07.26	2.00pm - 3.30pm	Whole School	Leavers Assembly	
Friday, 17.07.26	2.00pm	Whole School	Break up for Summer holidays	NO after School Club

