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### Term 2 2018-2019 – Week 4

Dear Parents and Carers,

Winter is definitely on its way as the days get shorter and the weather gets colder. We are already half way through Term 2 and already so much has happened. The next few weeks are only going to get busier as Christmas approaches. Please keep an eye on the diary dates and emails- we will try and keep you updated with everything that is going on. Just to say a huge thank you for all your continued help and support with all the events taking place in school.

#### ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Underwater who will have Attendance Bear for the next week. Our school target this year is 96.5%.

	Underwater	Bugs	High Peaks	Jungle
Week 4	93.0%	92.4%	91.6%	91.5%

#### REWARDS

Congratulations for starting the new school year with their next Pupil Point certificate go to...

**200 points- Bugs- Summer**

#### MRS DURRANT

We would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs Durrant for her commitment and loyalty to our school over the last 17 years. You will have received a separate letter informing you that she has decided to leave and move on to new ventures. We are very grateful to her for supporting all our children but in particular, for the amount of time she has dedicated to giving our EYFS cohorts such a great start to school life. She has brought her love of gardening to our vegetable patches and outdoor areas and has introduced many new ideas over the years to improve our school environment.

17 years is a long time and Mrs Durrant has seen the school change considerably over that time with staff, buildings, curriculum and pupils, some of whom have now returned with their own children! Her last day will be on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November. We wish her well and send her off with our love. Thank you Mrs Durrant.

#### Diary

##### November

28<sup>th</sup> -Big Sing for Jungle class  
30<sup>th</sup> LSA Film night

##### December

3<sup>rd</sup>- LSA Christmas Shop 2p.m  
4<sup>th</sup> - LSA Christmas Shop 2p.m  
7<sup>th</sup> - KSI Nativity  
11<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Concert at 2pm  
12<sup>th</sup> –Christmas Lunch  
14<sup>th</sup> - LSA Christmas Shop 2p.m  
19<sup>th</sup> –Christmas church service at 2pm  
**19<sup>th</sup> – End of Term**

#### PARENT AND TODDLER SESSIONS

Our parent and toddler yoga sessions at Laughton will continue to be held on Tuesday mornings from 9am-10am.

**PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD** to any friends and family with toddlers! It is not only for Laughton parents. We would love to see some more friendly faces. There will be 2 more sessions this term.

#### RIPE NURSERY SCHOOL

'In 2019 we are opening a 'Baby Unit' for children aged 9 months to 2 years. We are having an Open Morning on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December between 10am and 12 noon at Laughton Parish Hall Come and see the new room layout, meet our warm and experienced staff and find out what makes our Nursery so special. We hope to see you there!'

**from Kate Fleming**

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### THRIVE

As part of the Federation, Mrs Filtress (Firle) and Mrs Brown are delighted to have started their training to become Thrive practitioners and look forward to introducing this exciting approach into Laughton School. The training will continue throughout this year and the next 2 days are taking place next week. We will keep you updated as we develop Thrive at Laughton. If you would like to learn more please use the link below.

<https://www.thriveapproach.com/>



### WHOLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

Huge congratulations to all the children for taking part in the whole school cross country event that took place today. It was great to see all the children put all their Golden Mile running into practice. We even had children running at home to train before the event! The atmosphere was absolutely brilliant thanks to all the cheering and support given by all the children and adults. Thank you to all the children for being so helpful and listening carefully to ensure that the event ran smoothly. Well done to the red team who clinched the win by one point!



### ECO UPDATE

In our last eco meeting, we discussed what steps the group has taken get their message across to the rest of the school. The Eco Warriors are going to produce some posters to put up around the school which show how we can all help to be more eco-friendly. They are also excited to take part in the tree planting next week. It's good to see the new group coming up with new ideas and being enthusiastic in their new roles. Eco Ernie has enjoyed being with Underwater and was pleased to see them playing outside. This time Eco Ernie has been awarded to Jungle Class – Well done!

### MUD KITCHEN

This is our amazing new mud kitchen that Mr Herdman has spent the week building (with some help from Mr Parsons). The next step is to make room for it in the quiet area and for this to happen we will need to move one of the flower beds. If you are able to help us move the flower bed to make room for the new Mud Kitchen, could you please let the School Office know so that we can find a convenient time to do it. Please just let the office know suitable days and times. Ideally it will be in the morning, after drop off so Mr Herdman is still here. We will need at least 8 people in a working party. Thank you.



Kind Regards

Mrs Rachel West and Mrs Vicki Brown