



# Ormsgill Nursery & Primary School

## Newsletter – 24/4/2026



*'Be Kind, Be Calm, Do Your Best'*

It has been a lovely, sunny week in school and we've had so much going on. We have children from KS2 taking part in golf events this week. They were all fantastic representatives of school and they did brilliantly. On Wednesday, we had a visit from the Science Viking. Years 3 and 4 took part in a range of workshops, learning all about the Vikings and how they lived. They even got to see some real artefacts including shields and weapons! We have also started our clubs for the summer term with a wide range of activities including cooking, colouring, hockey, cricket and chess. A big thank-you to all the staff who give up their time so the children can enjoy these fun activities. This week, Year 4 have also started their Bright Stars project where they will be working alongside local business to launch and run a social enterprise. Watch this space for more information from our budding entrepreneurs!

**Mr Mick Cull, Headteacher**

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Mon 27 April	Y3 Coniston Waterpark trip
Tue 28 April	Yr6 Parents SATS meeting 3.30pm
Fri 1 May	Y5 & 6 STEM workshop
<b>Mon 4 May</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
Fri 8 May	Family Friday
W/B 11 May	Y6 SATs week
<b>Fri 22 May</b>	<b>End of Summer 1</b>
<b>Mon 1 June</b>	<b>Start of Summer 2</b>
Wed 17 – 19 June	Y6 Residential
<b>Friday 17 July</b>	<b>End of school year</b>

**School Places** - Reception places for September have now been allocated and parents should have been notified. We have places available still so please direct anyone you know still looking for a place our way. We are also welcoming Nursery applications from 3 year-olds. Children can join the term after their 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday, we will be accepting new children in September. We are also planning to offer afternoon nursery sessions as either paid additional sessions or for those in receipt of 30 hours child care. Please contact the office if you'd like to register your interest.

**We have places available in all year groups and would love more children to join our school. If you know of anyone considering a move, we'd love to show them what we have to offer. Please contact the office if you'd like to find out more about joining our friendly school.**

**Attendance Monitoring Texts** - Good school attendance is vital for children's progress and wellbeing. We are actively monitoring attendance in school and will be texting all those whose attendance is close to or below 90%.

We want to work with parents to improve attendance and will be looking for ways we can support you in this. Please help us by avoiding holidays in term time and informing us as soon as possible if your child is off ill.

Our attendance policy is available on our website <https://www.ormsgill.cumbria.sch.uk/policies/>

**Wrap around care** – A reminder that we offer a **free** breakfast club every morning from 8am, all children are welcome to attend. There's no need to book – just come along when you'd like. We also offer after school care which is a paid service. This is £5 an hour until 5.30pm and must be booked in advance via the school office, we cannot take bookings after 12pm for the same day.

**Uniform** – We are so pleased with how smart everyone looks in their uniforms as we start the term. The children rightly, feel proud of how they look so we are keen to keep this up. We have a well-stocked, uniform shop in school including some lovely coats and lots of new and good-quality second-hand uniform and shoes. Please contact Mrs Mayvers or the office if there's anything you need. You can also help by ensuring all uniform is named and that you are clear which days your child has PE so they can come wearing their kit on those days. More information on our uniform policy (including for hair and jewellery) can be found on our website. Thanks for your support.

<https://www.ormsgill.scmat.org.uk/parents/uniform-information/>

**Free School Meals** -Free school meals and clothing vouchers (**now worth £50 per child**) may be available for your child(ren) if you receive one of the following qualifying benefits:

-Income Support (IS)

-Child Tax Credit,

-Universal Credit

-An income related Employment and Support Allowance

-Income Based Jobseekers Allowance (IBJSA)

-The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit

-Support under the Immigration and Asylum Act

If you think you may be entitled but haven't registered, please visit:

[Free school meals and clothing vouchers | Westmorland and Furness Council](#)

or pop into the school office and we can assist with your application. We have also been able to issue supermarket vouchers for those children entitled to Free School Meals during the holidays. We expect this to be in place again for other holidays however children **must** be registered in advance.

**WHOLE SCHOOL ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS 92.98%**

**Parent or Carer?**

## **MyTime South Cumbria Primary Mental Health Worker Service**

**Are you worried about your child's mental health and not sure where to turn?**

Join one of our drop-in sessions run by our Primary Mental Health Workers.

We'll point you in the right direction with friendly advice and guiding you to services that can help.

Our online sessions run twice a month no appointment needed, just a safe space to chat and get the right support.

**2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month  
1pm – 3pm**

When joining the meeting you will enter a virtual waiting area where a worker will collect you

**BARNARDOS**



01539 742626



pmhw.mytime@barnardos.org.uk



Scan this QR code to join the drop-in

# E-School Nurse Clinic

(By appointment only)

Twice weekly health support and advice for parents, carers and professionals who are supporting children and young people aged 5-19 years old.



## Tuesday and Thursday

Telephone for an appointment

# 0300 304 9039

You will be able to talk to a school nurse, the contact will be private, secure and confidential. In consultation with you, the nurse will assess the child or young person's health problem and provide you with the support and advice needed.



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# School Term Dates

## School year 2025/2026

<b>Term</b>	<b>Start of term</b>	<b>Half term</b>	<b>End of term</b>
Autumn	Wednesday 3 September 2025	Monday 27 October to Friday 31 October 2025	Friday 19 December 2025 <b>2pm Finish</b>
Spring	Wednesday 7 January 2026	Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February 2026	Friday 27 March 2026 <b>2pm Finish</b>
Summer	Monday 13 April 2026	Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026	Friday 17 July 2026

## School year 2026/2027

<b>Term</b>	<b>Start of term</b>	<b>Half term</b>	<b>End of term</b>
Autumn	Wednesday 2 September 2026	Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2026	Friday 18 December 2026
Spring	Tuesday 5 January 2027	Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February 2027	Thursday 25 March 2027
Summer	Monday 12 April 2027	Monday 31 May to Friday 4 June 2027	Friday 16 July 2027

You can find this information including future School Years on the following link to the [Westmorland & Furness Website](#)