



Summer 1

A MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

What a busy and exciting half term we've had at Cumberworth! There's so much to share with you all, and I'm really proud of everything our children, staff, and families have accomplished together.

One of the things that's struck me most this term is how wonderfully our parents have engaged with school life. We've loved welcoming families into our classrooms – from attending Parents Evening to joining us for a writing lesson where parents could see exactly what their children are learning. The whole school Spring Wellbeing Walk was particularly special, with so many of you joining us to enjoy some time outdoors and celebrate the start of the season together. These moments really do make a difference to our children and help us all feel part of one community.

In addition to all the learning experiences and achievements that happen day to day at Cumberworth, our children have also had some fantastic experiences this term too. Every single child took part in our Cricket Engagement Day, which included a brilliant session with Yorkshire County Cricket Club. It was wonderful to see so many of them inspired and excited by the sport. We also marked David Attenborough's 100th birthday in style by creating a wildlife garden at the front of school. The children have planted bulbs and seeds, built bug hotels, and we've installed a bird bath, bird feeders, a bat box, and a hedgehog house. It's a project we're really passionate about, and it's lovely to see the children thinking about nature and conservation.

We've also focused on health and wellbeing this term. All our children took part in a World Hand Hygiene Day workshop run by Kirklees, learning about the importance of washing their hands properly. And Year 3 had an absolutely brilliant time on their first residential trip to Cliffe House, where they enjoyed outdoor activities, made brilliant memories with their friends, and discovered how independent they can be.

We had some sporting achievements too. Our Hi-5 Netball team came first in the pyramid competition, and our Tag Rugby team finished 4th in their competition. Well done to all involved!

Before we break up, I want to mention a few important things. We have an INSET day on Monday 1st June, so school will be closed to children. I also want to share that Mrs Seage will be retiring at the end of this academic year. After over 30 years at Cumberworth, she's been an incredible part of our school community and has supported so many families. We'll be celebrating her wonderful contribution properly before she leaves. We're delighted to welcome Ms Victoria Martin to our EYFS team in September, who brings a wealth of experience including a master's degree in SEND and Early Years teacher status. Mrs Kerry Wright will also be joining our office team from Wednesday 3rd June, working 8:30am to 11:30am each morning. Please note that training will be taking place during these times in the first week back.

I hope you all have a lovely half term break. We look forward to seeing you all in June!

Mrs Claxton



Cumberworth's Half Termly Newsletter



Calendar Dates Summer 2

June:

<p>Mon 1st – INSET Day – school closed to children Tues 2nd – Scissett Middle School Head boy and Head girl to meet Y5s Fri 5th– Half termly overviews out to parents</p>
<p>Mon 8th - Y1 Phonics screening 3:30 -Parliament meeting 8 Tues 9th – KS2 Kwik Cricket competition. Mrs Claxton and Mrs Thackra to attend. Parents will be notified if their child is in the team. PE kits should be worn 5pm – 2026 new starter parents meeting Thurs 11th – Pm Sports Day</p>
<p>Mon 15th – Y5 Kirklees Music Festival through the day Mrs Hobson and Mrs Dove to attend. Mrs Hobson and Mrs Claxton in the evening. Tues 16th – Y5 individual photos Am - KS2 girls cricket tournament. Parents will be notified if their child is in the team. PE kits should be worn pm – KS2 rounders pyramid competition Mrs Claxton and Ms Chalkley to attend. Parents will be notified if their child is in the team. PE kits should be worn Weds 17th – Y5 residential Mrs Claxton and Ms Robinson to attend pm Learning Accord MAT spelling bee /times table competition Thurs 18th – Y5 residential Fri 19th - Y5 residential returns</p>
<p>Assessment Week Tues 23rd – Y3 Get Active morning at Shelley College Mrs Holden and Mrs Thackra to attend. All Y3 children should come in PE kits Weds 24th – Learning Accord MAT Partnership Day at Lowerhouses School Mrs Dove to attend with 2 Y5 pupils Team Colosseum Creative Unity Ambassador Day Mrs Hobson and Mrs Thackra to attend 2pm- New September Starters Stay and Play session 6pm – September 2027 Open Evening for new families</p>
<p>7 x Shelley College work placement students in school this week Tues 30th – Y4 Get Active morning at Shelley College. Mrs Holden and Mrs Thackra to attend. All Y4s should wear their PE kits on this day Weds 1st – 1:30 – New September Starters in school Thurs 2nd – Back up Sports Day Fri 3rd – Y5 reports out to parents</p>

July

<p>Sports Week Y10 Salendine Nook/ Y12 Shelley College students in school all week Mon 6th- 3:30pm – Parliament meeting 9 Tues 7th– Y5 Hand to Mouth Moving on morning 4pm – Forget me not run at Shelley College Star in Jar treat Weds 8th – 1:30pm New Starters in Thurs 9th – End of year reports out EYFS-Y4 9am - Y5 Leavers performance to parents 2pm - Summer Fair Fri 10th – Wimbledon Trip Mrs Claxton plus 1 to attend Y5 Last Day</p>
<p>Tues 14th – Whole School trip to St Annes Leave school 8am, return 4:30pm Weds 15th – 3:30 – SEND/SEMH drop in session 3:30 -5pm - Meet the teacher open classroom. Parents are free to come and chat to their child's new teacher from September Fri 17th – Break up</p>

School reopens at 8:45am **Wednesday 2nd September 2026**