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Milnthorpe Primary School

Dear Parents and carers,

Many years ago, I revealed to my class that we had a family of 'Pail Floor' bats living in the classroom roof. So, in order to not disturb them, we must only whisper in the classroom and move around as quietly as possible. After the most peaceful morning of my life as a teacher, I then had to tell them that (as you've probably guessed) 'Pail Floor' is an anagram of 'April Fool'. No such tricks were played today in school but we've certainly welcomed the start of April and the wonderful weather this week.

In last Friday's assembly, we celebrated the special events from last week and my goodness what a list... our dancers were fantastic at the **Kendal Brewery Dance Platform** (while waiting at the bus stop, I had an unexpected encounter with nature when a seagull decided to "drop by" and leave its mark on me, reminding us all to be prepared for the unexpected. Hopefully, this brought the dancers some good luck!), some of our pupils travelled to **Heron Corn Mill** to put the finishing touches to the installation of their work, this was on display over the weekend and looked fantastic (see page 2). Year 4 enjoyed their '**Soil is Alive**' workshop, Years 5 and 6 visited Dallam School to watch pupils perform **Matilda**, Reception visited Dallam Tower for an **Easter Egg hunt**, Years 1 and 2 went to **Sportshall** athletics, Nursery pupils had a special visit to **Kirket Nook Farm** at Witherslack to learn about the animals and feed the lambs, Year 6 took part in a **Tag Rugby** tournament (finishing a very respectable 3rd) and Years 5 and 6 gave our amazing table tennis coach, **Norman Philbey**, a wonderful send-off. Having coached players here for many years we are very sad to see Norman finish, his legacy will continue under Seamus's coaching. We spent time last Friday celebrating Norman and everything he has helped us achieve over the years with surprise appearances from past pupils and even Mr Hyde! Somewhere in amongst all that we squeezed in Parents' evenings too!

I hope you enjoy a wonderful Easter break, whether you're eating chocolate, off on adventures, having a rest (or all of those things combined!) Thank you for your continued support in making our school truly wonderful.

Paul Macfarlane
Head teacher

April Birthdays

"Happy Birthday to you..."

Samuel Rigg, Delilah Ashton, Charlie Lachmann, Daisy Edmondson, Teddy Wright, Jake Thompson, Kadie-Mae Selby, Esther Hobson, Tyler Maguranyanga, Finley Argent, William Thomas-Keeping, Layla Gravesande, Benjamin Kellett, Tristan Barker, Jensen Dawes

... enjoy your special day!"





Easter Holiday and Closure Time

Just a little reminder that school closes for the Easter holidays on,
Friday 4th April 2025 at 1.30pm and reopens on **Tuesday 22nd April at 8.45am.**



Useful Links to our School Website

- *Diary Dates* - <https://milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe>
- *Guidance on Requesting Leave of Absence* - <https://www.milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe/site/pages/schoolinformation/holidaysintermtime>
- *Holiday Dates for Academic Year 2024-2025* <https://www.milnthorpe.cumbria.sch.uk/cumbria/primary/milnthorpe/site/pages/schoolinformation/termtimeandholidaydates>