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Dear Parents and Families,

Firstly, welcome back to school for the Summer term; we hope you all had a relaxing and restful Easter break and enjoyed the sunshine – long may it continue!

It has been lovely to welcome all of our children back into school; it feels, dare I say it, quite ‘normal’ for all of us which is great for everyone during such unpredictable times – this an only benefit all of us, especially our children.

So, in getting back into the swing of things, we have started the new term with a whole host of enrichment activities and experiences which we know our children will enjoy

Our Brass Instrument Taster Sessions for Years 4 and 5 began this week with opportunities for our children to experience playing a selection of brass instruments including the trombone, trumpet, cornet and baritone.



Our children have been fantastic and managed to play 3 notes! Our instructor was amazed and said they had made much more progress in one session than he has seen before, which is great – well, we do have ‘brass’ in our veins in Flookburgh as many of the children were keen to share – well done children, you were fantastic!

Just to be reassured, all instruments have been assigned to individual children which they will have for the duration of the sessions

Dance for Years 3 to 6

‘Redlocks Creations’ began their contemporary dance with KS2 on Tuesday; if you haven’t already seen it, please visit our Facebook page to checkout our children’s moves!

The children had a wonderful afternoon joining in enthusiastically and having a great time; our Dance instructor was very impressed with them all.

You can find out more about Redlocks Creations by visiting their Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/redlockscreationscompany/>



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So, what have else we been up to during the first week back at school...

Nursery and Reception...

We have made the most of the sunshine this week, taking lots of our learning outside. We have enjoyed creating 2D shape portraits, counting games and working together in the water area.



Years 1 and 2...



This week we have been settling back and looking forward to more work around our 'Not all Superhero's wear capes' topic. We've started looking at what we already know about Superheroes, turning ourselves into Superheroes and even designing our own Superheroes

Years 5 and 6...



Class 4 became egg parents this week to learn about taking responsibility for something and how hard this can be! We named our eggs and the children had to care for them throughout the day, including at playtimes and dinner. We had a few casualties, but everybody had fun, in fact some eggs went home too! Well done Class 4!

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Just a few reminders...

P.E. Kit

Just a reminder for all children, P.E. kit needs to be brought into school on each Monday morning and left in school until Friday.

Please check that all P.E. kit still fits your child as they will have grown quite a lot over the last few months; we are also unable to provide spare pumps/trainers, in particular and have limited spare kit for children who forget – thank you.

Please can I remind children and families that all children require the following kit:

Pumps/Trainers

Black Shorts

Blue T-Shirt

Short Socks

Tracksuit – only for when the weather is cooler

Swimming for Years 5 and 6

The first swimming session of the year was a great success with our children completing a quick swimming assessment before joining their groups. We have four more sessions with the final one being on Monday 24th May.

Flookburgh Governor Update:

Co-Opted Governor Vacancy:

We have extended our application deadline for our vacancy to join our Governing Board as a Co-opted governor.

If you are interested in finding out more about this exciting opportunity to join our friendly group of Governors who work hard to support the school, please take a look at our website. You'll find all the information you need on the front page under 'School Announcements'.

As always, take care and stay safe and, please remember, I can always be contacted directly on the confidential email address: schoolcontact@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk

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Current Cumbria County Council Updates and Information – these can also be found on our website: <http://www.flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk>

Covid-19 Update:

People who have symptoms of coronavirus should book a test at nhs.uk/coronavirus or by calling 119.

[Community Learning and Skills](#) have updated their programme of community learning. There are lots of Family Learning courses on offer which are free and are a great way to help parents and carers find out

Home learning

This week our focus is on the rhyme 'Poppy put the pizza in' for parents to support home learning around the development of speech, language and communication.

[Chat Play Share - Poppy put the pizza in](#)

For a range of fun activity ideas, please share What Can I Do This Week? Remember that the activities included in the Wednesday Communication will be for the activities beginning the Monday of the following week.

This week the theme is Kitchen roll.

[Monday](#) [Tuesday](#) [Wednesday](#) [Thursday](#) [Friday](#) [Saturday](#) [Sunday](#)

Psychological First Aid Training

Public Health England has launched a [new Psychological First Aid training](#) to help support children and young people affected by COVID-19.

The free online course teaches how to provide practical and emotional support to children and young people affected by COVID-19 and related issues such as lockdown, bereavement or isolation.

The course is aimed at parents, caregivers, teachers, health and social workers, charity and community volunteers and anyone who regularly comes into contact with children and young people aged between zero and 25. It is free, takes up to two hours to complete (split into three sessions that the learner can complete at their own pace and no previous qualifications are required.)

If the link above does not take you to relevant site, please find the link below:

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/psychological-first-aid-for-children-and-young-people>

Support for transition to school

As school places are confirmed many of us will be thinking about the process of Transition. Transition is not a one-off event but how we adapt to change. There are many things that we can do to help children become ready for starting school and indeed there are many things that we can do to support schools to be ready for our children.



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This year things may be a little different again and we need to consider how we can adapt our transition plans.

[Transition ideas for parents](#)

Cumbria Together 0-5 feedback

The Early Years Team and 0 – 19 Child and Family Support Service providers have been following up the engagement survey with some online focus groups. The link to the survey report can be found by clicking the link - [Cumbria Together - Family report](#)

Further Resources and Support for Families

Action for Children – South Lakes

Please check the Facebook page for activities for families - [South Lakeland Child and Family Support Service | Facebook](#)