



Tuesday 14th August 2026 Newsletter

Flookburgh C of E Primary School

LAST NEWSLETTER FOR 2025/26!

Thank you to everyone involved with our brilliant school – parents, teachers, governors, children, local community – your contributions, kindness and service towards our school have been great. Together we are building an incredible place for children to learn and thrive.

Building Works

Over the summer, the Local Authority are investing significant funds to support our school to thrive long into the future. They see the importance of a strong school at the heart of Flookburgh and are committing to its future thriving and success.

It is hoped that contractors will be on site from 20th July and then throughout the summer. It is hoped that all works will be completed before the children return but we are planning ahead in case there are any delays. All works involving classrooms and the hall will be completed first.

School will open as scheduled on Weds 2nd September.

Summer Fair

What a great event! Huge thanks and gratitude to FoFS, Mrs Horne and Wainwright class for running the afternoon. It looked like everyone had fun – even the sun came out to add to the summer time vibe. The event raised over £550 – well done 😊

Leavers Service

Please come and join us at school for our Leavers' Service on Thursday 16th July at 2:00pm. The Y6 children have prepared some of their best memories to share, as well as saying goodbye to Mrs Wood, Mrs Horne and Miss Butler. Children can be collected at the end of the service.

Last Day!!

On Friday 17th July, school will finish at 2:00pm. There will be no after school club.

Looking ahead to 2026/27

School restarts on Weds 2nd September.

Meet the Teacher – Thurs 3rd September – 3:30pm

Breakfast and After School Club will be available from Weds 2nd September and booking system is live from today.

Extra curricula clubs will start on Tues 15th Sept and run through until Fri 23rd Oct.

They will restart on Tues 2nd November and run through until Fri 11th Dec.

Parent Consultations will be on Mon 19th Oct (3:30 -6:00pm)

Phil Wright

School Lunch Ordering – Important September Update

As we get ready for the new school year, we'd like to let you know about an important change to our school lunch ordering process.

From September, all school lunches will need to be ordered **two weeks in advance** through Arbor. The **ordering deadline will remain 9:00am on a Friday**, but this will now be **the Friday two weeks before** the lunches are needed.

For the start of the autumn term:

Please ensure lunches for the **first two weeks back at school** are ordered by **9:00am on Friday 21st August**.

After that, the system will work on a rolling basis. Each Friday at 9:00am, ordering will close for the week that is two weeks ahead. For example:

- **Friday 28th August** – order lunches for Week 3.

- **Friday 4th September** – order lunches for Week 4.
- This pattern will continue throughout the school year.

Wherever possible, we encourage families to **book lunches for the whole term** at the start of each term. This is the easiest way to make sure your child's lunches are booked and helps us with planning. If your plans change, you can still amend future bookings before the relevant Friday 9:00am deadline.

If you do have any issues over the summer holidays please email the admin@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk¹ and we will get in touch when we are in the office.

Thank you for your support and cooperation. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Class pages

Hill Top Class

Another fantastic week of learning in Hilltop!

This week in Drawing Club, we have been enjoying the story *Noah's Seal*, about a young boy who makes a seal out of sand with his Nana, only for it to come to life.

Our learning has had a sea and sand theme. The children explored texture by painting with blue paint mixed with sand, enjoying the opportunity to feel and apply the paint with their hands. They also added water to the sand pit and discovered that damp sand could be moulded into different shapes. Another favourite activity was making frozen sand bricks, which the children used to build igloos. They observed how the bricks changed as they melted and loved how cool they felt during the warm weather.

In our outdoor area, the children revisited many of the activities they have enjoyed this term during our Stay and Play afternoon. Thank you to everyone who came along to support your child's learning and discover what they have been enjoying at school. We all had a wonderful afternoon in the sunshine and finished by sharing delicious scones with raspberry jam, which the children had made themselves.

A small request: If anyone has a children's outdoor playhouse that is no longer being used and would be willing to donate it to our school, we would be incredibly grateful. It would be a wonderful addition to our outdoor learning environment. If you think you may be able to help, please speak to a member of the Hilltop team. Thank you for your support!

¹<mailto:admin@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk>





Dove Class

Dove Class

Wow where do I start... It has been a true pleasure being your teacher this year. I have been blown away by all of your hard work and commitment throughout this year. I will miss you all dearly and I wish you the most amazing summer and all the luck for the future. A big thank you to Kerry again, who has supported the children throughout the year and most recently in their sugar sculptures, these alongside our clay flower sculptures are going to make a beautiful display!

Important information:

- PE is every Wednesday and PE kits should be kept in school, please can earrings be taken out or covered
- Please can all uniform be labelled (I have lots of unlabelled jumpers and cardigans in the classroom if anyone is missing some!)
- Please can reading folders come in to school everyday
- Homework will be sent out Friday and checked on a Thursday. Please check your child's reading folder for any books and homework





Bluebird Class

Bluebird have loved our writing theme this week of 'The Box'. we have been building suspense and showing how characters feel when they hear a strange noise and then find a unique, unattended box. The children's creativity has really shined and their stories are brilliant.

In maths, we have been recapping some skills from throughout the year such as telling the time. We have finished our Science topic of magnets by exploring the different poles in a magnet and whether they would attract or repel. In PSHE, we practiced our First Aid skills and what we would do in different emergencies.

Important information:

- PE is on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please ensure your child has the correct PE kit, including PE shorts.
- Homework is set on a Friday and is due in on the following Wednesday
- Please could children bring in only water in their water bottles. Thank you.

Wainwright Class

What a year it has been for Wainwright Class!

I am so proud of the journey they have all been on over the course of this year and the pupils they are leaving as at the end of this academic year. It has been a privilege to watch the children learn and grow and they made me especially proud during our end of year play.

Also, to our brilliant Year 6 students, congratulations on reaching the end of your primary school journey! You have grown, matured, and achieved so much during your time with us. Whether it was tackling SATs, shining in your productions, or simply being wonderful friends, you have made us incredibly proud. As you take this exciting next step into secondary school, remember to be kind, work hard, and always believe in yourselves. We can't wait to see the amazing things you will accomplish!

Additionally, I would like to thank all the families, friends and carers for your wider support this year and across the course of my time here at Flookburgh school. I will hold all of the amazing memories dear as I move on at the end of this academic year!

Finally, I wish you all a restful and relaxing summer!

Wainwright Class:

- Y6 leavers assembly will be at 2pm Thursday 16th July in school- all are welcome.

Wrap-around Care Club

Breakfast and After School Club will be available from Weds 2nd September and booking system is live.

Following recent feedback from parents, we are pleased to share that we have been able to extend our after-school wraparound care to include our upcoming Reception children who will be joining Reception in **September 2026**.

Bookings can now be made using the **Arbor app**, or by calling the school office.

If you would like to book your child/ren into any of our sessions, please contact the school office or book via Arbor.



Upcoming Events...

Thurs 16th July

Leavers Service

Fri 17th July

Last Day of Term

Mon 20th July

First Day of Summer Holidays

Dates may be amended or added throughout the term so please keep checking back!

Friends of Flookburgh School



Autumn Disco 2025 - We managed to raise an impressive **£125.50!** The children had fun, some great snacks and music (courtesy of DJ Culbert). Thank-you to all our helpers!

Christmas 2025 - We're delighted to share that the current total for our Elf Dash stands at **£1,840.00 with £369.84 coming to FOFS.** Thank you for your generosity!

Easter Family Bingo 2026 - Thank-you for the fantastic support, in total we raised **£637.00!**

Arbor

We are now moving towards using Arbor for all school communication, trips, and clubs. To support this transition, please note the following:

Outstanding Balances: Please ensure any outstanding balances on ParentPay are cleared before the end of September.

Communication via Arbor: Messages that used to be sent via text message will now be sent via our in-app messaging on your Arbor profile.

App & Notifications: To make sure you receive all updates, please download the Arbor App and enable notifications.

Urgent Messages: Any urgent information will still be sent directly via text message.

Support: If you experience any issues with setting up or using the Arbor App, please visit the school office and we will be happy to help.

Thank you for your support in helping us make communication more efficient and cost-effective.

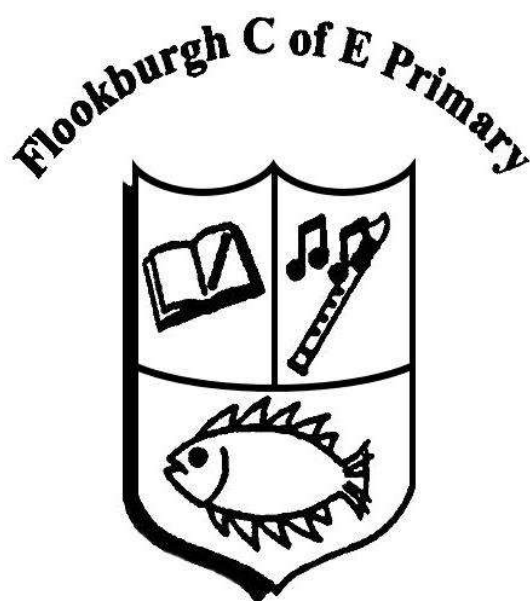
School Lunches: Please see update at top of the newsletter.

Wrap-around Care:

If you would like to book your child onto one of our **Breakfast Club sessions (Nursery–Year 6)** or **After School sessions (Reception–Year 6)**, please book via **Arbor** or call the school office and leave a voicemail. Phones will be checked before **3:00pm** and bookings will be confirmed.

Thank you.

Contact Us



Flookburgh C of E Primary School

Winder Lane

Flookburgh, Grange-Over-Sands, LA11 7LE

015395 58434

admin@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk²

²<mailto:admin@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk>

headteacher@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk³

Visit our website at www.flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk ⁴

Visit our Facebook page at: Flookburgh C of E Primary School⁵



³<mailto:headteacher@flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk>

⁴<http://www.flookburgh.cumbria.sch.uk>

⁵https://www.facebook.com/flookburghprimary/?locale=en_GB