



Raughton Head C of E Primary School  
Raughton Head, Carlisle, CA5 7DD  
Head teacher Mrs A Dickinson

2nd September 2025

Dear parents,

Welcome back to the start of the academic year 2025/26. We hope that you have all had a nice break away from the school routines and are excited about the coming year.

This year we are pleased to welcome Mr Magill to the staff team. He will be teaching in class 3 alongside Miss Baker who will hopefully remain with us until October half term when she will take maternity leave. There are no other staff changes other than Mrs. Bainbridge has dropped a Wednesday and Mrs. Bowman will move to 3 days in the kitchen.

### **Clubs**

Currently after-school club is running on a Monday through to Thursday with the same activities in place. Clubs will run until 4.30pm each day except for Thursday when there is the option to stay until 5.30pm.

#### **The timetable is:**

Monday – Science Club £5.00

Tuesday – Tennis £3.00

Wednesday – Drama £3.00

Thursday – Sports £3.00 (£6.00 if staying until 5.30pm Children staying beyond 4:30pm will have a snack and a drink.

#### **Late fee**

If any parents do not collect their children by 4.30pm, they will be subject to a 'late pick up' charge of £5 per child.

If your child does not attend the wraparound care session booked, due to sickness, you will not be charged but in order to cover resource costs refunds will not be given if your child does not attend.

During the summer holidays you will have been sent an email welcoming you to our new software system for booking clubs if you have not already registered, please do so using the following link.

<https://login.arbor.sc>

Advance payment for clubs is encouraged, whether this is via Tax-free childcare vouchers or not. Please book clubs at least 24 hours in advance as Mrs Brazendale is only able to book clubs in exceptional circumstances.

The system may feel a little complicated at first, but please bear with us as we get everybody up to speed in using it. Mrs. Brazendale is available each morning should you require support. An added feature of the new system for us as staff is that we can access both school registers and clubs from the same system - prior to this we had to use two different systems making it a lengthy process.

### **Swimming**

Swimming will resume for both class 2 and class 3 this half term. Rather than try and go swimming every week we have decided to send the children on an intensive two-week block course. Those children in year six that have already attained The National Government requirement will remain at school due to size limitations in the pool. We are hoping the younger children will once again be able to use Orton Grange pool in the summertime.

### **PE**

Andy will continue to support our PE curriculum on a Thursday. Please ensure PE kit is in school at all times. Earrings need to be covered or taken out.

### **Forest Schools**

This academic year we are pleased to continue with Forest school. This will be every Wednesday afternoon up until Christmas. The first seven weeks will be for class 3 and the second seven weeks for class 2. If available please send spare wellington boots to remain at school and waterproofs on a Wednesday afternoon.

### **Ukuleles**

Ukuleles will still be weekly for Children in years 3 and 4 with Hannah continuing to support our music curriculum.

### **Piano**

Piano will begin on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September for those children who have lessons.

### **Reception Children**

The first three days of this term are all about settling in. Reception children will complete the National Baseline Assessments. The outcome of these will be shared with you in individual meetings to be arranged on Friday 26th September.

### **Curriculum**

Class learning will be sent home by the end of the week.

### **Dates**

Listed below are a number of important dates for this term and for those throughout the year that may require you reserving time off work for example sports day.

#### **September 2025**

- 03 – Back in School
- 10 – Forest Schools – Class 3
- 17 – Forest Schools – Class 3
- 23 – Small schools 5 a side @ Harraby selected children from Y5/6
- 23 – Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- 24 – Forest Schools – Class 3
- 25 - Water workshops – Class 2 & 3
- 26 – Reception children baseline meetings

#### **October 2025**

- 01 - Forest Schools – Class 3
- 05 - Harvest Service 11am at All Saints Church
- 06 – Swimming @ The Sands – every day for two weeks – Class 2 & 3
- 08– Forest Schools – Class 3
- 08 – Parents consultation appointments
- 10 - Cross country @ Sheepmount
- 15 - Forest Schools – Class 3
- 15 – Parents consultation appointments
- 17 – last swimming session
- 22 - Forest Schools – Class 3
- 24 - Break for half term**

#### **November 2025**

- 03 - Back in School
- 05 - Forest Schools – Class 2
- 06 - Sports Hall Athletics Y5/6
- 11 - Heidi Bea Photography
- 12– Forest Schools – Class 2
- 19 - Forest Schools – Class 2
- 26 - Forest Schools – Class 2
- 27 - Sports Hall Athletics @ Harraby Y3/4

### **December 2025**

- 03 - Forest Schools – Class 2
- 10 – Theatre by the Lake - whole school
- 17 - Forest Schools – Class 2
- 17 - Christmas Performance – Class 1 10.00am  
Class 2 & 3 10.30am
  - Christmas Performance - Class 1 5:30pm  
Class 2 & 3 6pm
- 18 – Christmas Dinner Day
- 19 - Children's Christmas Party
- 19 - **END OF AUTUMN TERM** – Service in Church at 1:30pm

### **January 2026**

- 07 - Back in school

### **April 2026**

- 23 - Parents consultation appointments
- 30 - Parents consultation appointments

### **May 2026**

- 11-14 - SATs week for year 6

### **July 2026**

- 03 - Sports Day
- 14 - End of Year performance and Talent show 5.30pm

Best wishes for a successful year



Alison Dickinson

Head Teacher



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**Trust ourselves, Trust one another, Trust God.**