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A tree for Mrs Murray

On the afternoon Monday 28th March we will be joined by the family of Bewcastle's former Executive Head Teacher Carolyn Murray. They will be coming to school because we will be planting a tree in memory of Carolyn here at Bewcastle. Mr Murray will be in attendance and the children will also be outside with staff at the planting. The governors of the school will also be with us.

E Safety at Bewcastle

In order to keep all parents, carers and pupils up to date with the latest developments in staying safe online, Bewcastle and Warwick Bridge Schools have teamed up with Knowsley City Learning Centres who produce a monthly update of how to stay safe online. The March newsletter is now on the school website and can be accessed at:

https://www.bewcastle.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/215/March_2022_Primary_Newsletter_Bewcastle.pdf/

This newsletter is especially informative in regard to Snapchat, Smartwatches and Fitness Trackers. We will always send you the link each month in order for you to see the newsletter. If you would like a hard copy, please contact Mrs Little in the school office. There is also a parental controls booklet that can be found at:

https://www.bewcastle.cumbria.sch.uk/uploads/26/parenting_in_a_digital_worldonline.pdf/

PE Kits

PE takes place on a Wednesday and Friday; can all children bring in their PE kits on these days. We are also missing some of our school spare PE kits (red t-shirt with logo and navy shorts), if you do have any if these can be returned to school, thank you.

Billionaire Boy

On Thursday 31st March 2022, the whole school will be visiting the Sands Centre Carlisle, to see the West End production of Billionaire Boy by David Williams. After lunch, Telford's coaches will be transporting us to the Sands Centre, returning back to school at approximately 4.45pm. Becky from "Becky's Pop Up Bar", has kindly donated £100 from her Christmas raffle towards the cost of this trip.

Cross Country at Lanercost – 26th March 2022

The annual Cross Country at Lanercost takes place tomorrow Saturday 26th March 2022. The first race starts at 10.30am, but all competitors are advised to arrive around 10am to make sure that you can park safely and get to the starting line in time. We have been advised that parents need to bring children to the gate next to the start line, parents will not be able to go past the gate as they are encouraging spectators to watch from the fence. The races are open for all ages, from Reception to Year 6 children. Letters have been sent out. If your child has not sent a reply slip back, but decides that they would like to run in the morning, please bring them to Lanercost at the time mentioned above. All children should be running in school PE kit please.

Cumbria's Holiday Activity and Food Programme Launch

[Cumbria's Holiday Activity and Food Programme](http://Cumbria's_Holiday_Activity_and_Food_Programme) has launched its official Easter offer. From the 15th March onwards, the offer will encompass [all eligible children](#), with most activities also being available to book (for a cost) for non-eligible children / young people. Just like with the Winter programme, schools have an important role in ensuring that children and families are aware of the free activities they can access over the school holidays. There are leaflets below for families to find out the information for the area they are nearest to.

- [Allerdale](#)
- [Barrow-in-Furness](#)
- [Carlisle](#)
- [Copeland](#)
- [Eden](#)
- [South Lakes](#)

Visit cumbria.gov.uk/holidays for further information about the programme and to search the range of activities on offer.

Ukrainian Refugees

There has been a request to see if anyone in the area is able to house Ukrainian refugees. The request has come in the form of a message from Robert Brown Robert.Brown@BewcastleHouseOfPrayer.org.uk. He says:

We are extraordinarily fortunate to have a couple of Ukrainian descent in the benefice and who do speak Ukrainian. They have offered to act as a point of contact for anyone potentially offering hospitality to refugees as part of the Government scheme.

In order to address the issue of potential isolation, there needs to be at least two elements in place in addition to those specified by the Government:

- 1. More than one household in the benefice offering hospitality*
- 2. Access to transport (eg loan of a car)*

At this point we don't know if the Government scheme will even accept offers of hospitality from rural communities such as ours, but we want to make sure we have some communication network in place, and be able to demonstrate that we have at least thought through some of the issues.

With the above two points in mind, if anyone knows of anyone who is thinking seriously about offering hospitality in the benefice, please could you ask them to get in touch with me and I will pass their details on? If there are a number of people willing to do this, then a coordinated offer from the benefice might make more sense than individual offers, although the actual registration with the Government still has to be undertaken by individuals.

Easter Football, Dance and Gymnastics Camps

Elite Football Elite Football are offering football training at their Easter Holiday Camps. These will take place at Caldew school Dalston over the Easter break. There are girls only sessions too. Ages from 6-14 are welcome to apply to the camps. For more information and full details of how to book please contact: info@elitefootballcarlisle.co.uk.

Carlisle United – Contact soccerschools@carlisleunitedcst.co.uk for details of their Easter training schedule. These are for children aged 5-12yrs. CUFC are also offering Dance and Gymnastic Camps for pupils aged 6-11yrs. You can contact them on the same email address.

Free Easter Golf at Brampton Golf Club

Brampton Golf Club is happy to be working alongside Brampton Action Area Group offering children's Golf coaching in the Easter Holidays. (With more to follow in the summer). The coaching is open to boys and girls aged between 7 and 16 years. Funding for this has come through the Postcode Lottery and Brampton Action Area Group are hoping to get as many children who receive Free School Meals to attend. The sessions will be free for the children who receive this and a small charge for those who don't. The session will be held on Monday the 4th of April from 12 till 3pm, with lunch included. The coaching will be conducted by two PGA golf professional. Please see the link below for a booking form.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdUshA622ID44DOyc9gOQghJfSNhVgREKIK7k8SAk3kNhyeZg/viewform>

All the best for the week ahead

Mark Ashton