



Shap CE Endowed Primary School

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Land Art Project In the autumn term, children in the Westmorland Dales worked together to explore the landscape through land art. We worked alongside Orton C of E School, Crosby Ravensworth C of E School, Asby Endowed School, Tebay Primary and Kirkby Stephen Primary School. The goal was to help to connect children with the natural world, encouraging children to look closely at materials such as sticks, pine cones, stones, soils, leaves, grass and wool. Within the sessions the children began by creating individual art pieces, helping to develop their skills and fire their imagination; the project culminating in a final group piece. A film has just been released, created (by Mr. Chappell!) to showcase their work and bring the amazing creations of these schools together. You can view the film on our website: <https://www.shap.cumbria.sch.uk/gallery/>



Blencathra have impressed Mrs. Capstick this week with their poetry writing. Willow's poem entitled 'Hope' is creative and beautifully presented:

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Darrenlee for returning lots of work, producing great work linked to space and planets

All of the children who joined their first guided reading lessons with enthusiasm and fabulous 'meeting manners'

Bethany Vogt and Bethany Burke, our new starters, for joining in with the nursery remote teaching sessions

Tom for producing impressive sways

Harry Horrocks for great shape work

Anita for putting 110% into everything, especially phonics

Orlagh for excellent focus and contributions in worship time and phonics

Reception parents: George, Becky, Rachael, Iona, Kaeren and Natalie for helping their children with their online learning

Maddie Gale for completing her work 'super quick'

James for adjusting well to new routines and taking part in activities that he is asked to

Ethan for 100% attendance, and always waiting patiently for Mrs. Mephram to arrive to the live sessions

Please share with any families who have children due to start Nursery in 09.21 !

SHAP C E PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSION TO SHAP SCHOOL NURSERY

September 2021

(Autumn Term)

If your child was born between 1st April 2018 and 31st August 2018 they are eligible to receive 15hrs free Universal nursery education from September 2021

Some children may be entitled to 30hrs per week, depending on family circumstances. Parents should apply for the extended hours via www.childcarechoices.gov.uk. (Parents should notify the school of their Eligibility Code if relevant)

15hrs entitlement per week = 5 mornings OR 5 afternoons
(8.45am – 11.45am) (12.15pm – 3.15pm)

30hrs entitlement per week = (mornings and afternoons depending on other providers used)

For children not eligible for the extra free sessions, we offer places where a fee is payable for hours over their 15hr entitlement. Places subject to availability.

* The closing date for applications is 27 March 2021

NB: At date of print, the nursery is running with slightly different times due to Covid-19 restrictions but these will be confirmed on offer letter

SA13 form can be downloaded from the Cumbria County Council website. Forms should be returned to school, together with copy of birth certificate and utility bill as proof of address. For further details please see Mrs Sarah Caton (School Office Manager) Places allocated according to date of application

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Well done Key Stage 2 children your pop art is definitely eye-catching!



Designed using complimentary colours from the colour wheel!





After analysing the results of our parents' questionnaires, it became obvious that many people do not know who our Governors are, and what their important role within our school is! Therefore, each week we are going to introduce you to a new member of our Governing Body!

Dorothy McColm: Foundation PCC Governor

I am married to Professor Ian McColm and we live in the village of Shap, having bought a house in 2001 and moving here permanently in 2012. We have 3 grown-up children and 5 grandchildren. I am a retired teacher of chemistry and I attend St Michaels Church where I am a member of the PCC. I grew up in the town of Ayr in Scotland and studied sciences at Glasgow University. After graduating I worked briefly for the UK Atomic Energy Authority at the Dounreay fast reactor establishment in the North of Scotland and then after marrying I became a teacher of sciences – all three up to GCE or (GCSE) level, and Chemistry to A-level. By this time we lived in England having moved first to Oxford, then Newcastle then Bradford, where we both worked for many years, Ian at the University of Bradford, and myself at two secondary schools in the city, both of which were boys' state schools, one being in the Catholic sector. While in Yorkshire we both developed a love of walking in the dales moving on to climbing Scottish Munros and doing long-distance trails in the UK and Europe. This led to our eventual purchase of our house in Shap in 2001 so we could be nearer the hills and also nearer to my mother who still lived in Scotland. After moving here permanently in 2012 we have tried to contribute to the community usually in church or school roles.

My favourite things are the outdoors, mainly walking, (two hip replacements have curtailed a lot of this); anything outside including sporting events, music of all sorts, especially folk and classical; I love choral music and am in two choirs locally. Happy gets-together with good food and drink especially with the family. Each year all fifteen of us meet up in a large house often in Scotland. Evening meals are a great event as we all take turns to cook – the competition is ferocious! There are many other things I could mention now I am less active such as reading a good book, doing crosswords, sewing, cooking new recipes, gardening, Scandi thrillers on TV etc. but most importantly of recent years I have so much enjoyed being part of the 'Open the Book' team that acts out Bible stories in schools. The rapport with the children and their keenness to take part has been amazing. Dislikes? Listing pet hates is terribly tempting! However I have settled on a few: People who drop litter and deface our beautiful planet and Celeb culture and its accompanying bandwagons (too many this year).





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with us



Worship Time continues during lockdown...

Thanks to Rev. Alun, Rev. Fran, Pastor Graham and Jari from *Church in the Barn*, and Ruth Evans from *NISCU*.

We meet daily via Zoom at 9.30 for around 20 minutes of stories, worship, singing and prayer.

Themes this half term include: New Year, Epiphany, 'Going for Goals', St. Valentine's day, Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday. We will also be focussing on our next Christian Value of 'Peace'.



Please find below the Early Years and KS 1 courses that our local tutor Jenny Westwood will be delivering on Zoom this half term. The courses consist of a 30 minute introductory session, followed by three sessions lasting 1.5 hrs each week.

Each has a link to the course from the title. There is a range of other courses too, that other tutors are offering, which may also be of interest. It would be super for our parents to work with Jenny via Zoom until hopefully the current situation improves and face to face sessions are once again possible.

[FL English QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Improve in Phonics - Make a Rhyming Puppet](#)

4 weeks, starting Tuesday 19th January 10:00 – 11:30

[FL English QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Enjoy reading books - make a reading den](#)

4 weeks, starting Tuesday 19th January 1:00 – 2:30

[FL Maths QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Get Nifty with Number](#)

4 weeks, starting Wednesday 20th January 10:00 – 11:30

[FL Maths QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Get Nifty with Shape](#)

4 weeks, starting Wednesday 20th January 1:00 – 2:30

[FL Early Years QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Count and play - make a maths mobile](#)

4 weeks, starting Thursday 21st January 11:00 – 12:30

[FL Early Years QUICK-SKILL Support your child to: Chat and play - make a puppet linked to a story](#)

4 weeks, starting Thursday 21st January 1:00 – 2:30

The main menu for all courses is www.cumbria.gov.uk/learningandskills or <https://adultlearning.cumbria.gov.uk>

Select 'courses by subject', then 'family learning', and see what is available.



Dates in blue denote new dates added to the calendar!



REMINDERS!



15 January	Applications for April 2021 Nursery starters due in
21 January	Helvellyn 'Mini Police' to work with Karen Dakin on 'Internet Safety'
22 January	KS2 children to work with poet and wordsmith John Hegley
24 February	First Aid Classes for Catbells children and Kidsty Pike children
03 March	First Aid Classes for Blencathra children and Helvellyn children
22 February	Wheelchair basketball
04 March	World Book Day
27 March	Applications for September 2021 Nursery starters due in
24 May DATE CHANGE	Young Voices 2021 @ Manchester Arena
28—30 June	Helvellyn Residential to Kingswood—more information to follow

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions regarding the content of this newsletter!

For in-depth information about every aspect of our school, please see our website:

<https://www.shap.cumbria.sch.uk>

For day-to-day news, reminders and celebrations, please see our School Facebook Page: Shap CE School



For information about fundraising and social events, please see Friends of Shap School – FoSS Facebook Page

Many thanks!

Katie Chappell

Acting Headteacher



Shap CE School: A Safe Branch from which to Soar

With children and the church at the heart of the school, we are
'living in harmony' (Romans 12:16) within our community; nurturing one another
in order to create an environment from which all can soar

