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Celebration Assembly

This morning we had our April celebration assembly.

Congratulations to the children below! The Hoody and postcard winners, along with our Lunchtime stars, will join Mrs Fearon and Buzzby on Wednesday 1st May for a Queen Bee Lunch.

Our Hall of Fame winners received a free pass to the snack shack and a treat bag. Excellent everyone—our Very Important Bees!

<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Hoody</u>	<u>Postcard</u>	<u>Hall of Fame</u>
Nursery	Preston	Eliza	Maise-Rose
Reception	Sadie	Layla	Remi
Year 1	Jude	Summer	Blake
Year 2	Amelia	Orlaith	Bertie
Year 3	Bodhi	Bowie	Alfie
Year 4	Layla	Nyla	Harry
Year 5	Sidney	Jacob	Danny
Year 6	Pixie	Melody	
Lunchtime star	Axel	Ela	

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Year 2 Parent Lunch

On Tuesday 23rd April it was Year 2's turn to host their parent/carer lunch. There was a great turnout and we hope all the parents/carers who joined us enjoyed their meals and this special time with their children.

Year 3 will be next to take part in this on **Tuesday 7th May**; letters for this were sent home last week.



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Chicks in Reception

On Monday, we had a very exciting delivery of ten hen eggs and incubator. The eggs are delivered on day 19 of their development with hatching expected on day 21. We have eagerly watched them hatching and there has been a lot of excitement in the class, school and community. The children have learnt new vocabulary, such as egg tooth, pipping, incubator, brooder box and dander along with learning how to tell if it is a girl or a boy. They are understanding how to care for the chicks and are invested in carefully watching their progress and noting changes in growth. All ten eggs hatched and there was 1 girl and 9 boys!



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Internet Safety

On Tuesday morning year 5 took part in a workshop around cyber bullying and bullying in general. The visitors to school were very impressed by the attitudes of the children and they all shared excellent ideas about what they would do if they thought there was something on their phone that wasn't quite right.



Knife Crime Assembly

On Tuesday afternoon years 5 and 6 took part in a knife crime assembly. PC Fishpool explained to the children what knife crime was and the effects that knife crime could have on victims and their families. He also explained the penalties for knife crime and what people should do if they suspect someone is carrying a knife. The children were very engaged throughout, asking very meaningful and thought provoking questions.



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Vaping

We have received reports of older secondary children playing out on Bransty and using vapes around our younger children. If your child plays out please discuss this with them so they know how to keep themselves safe.

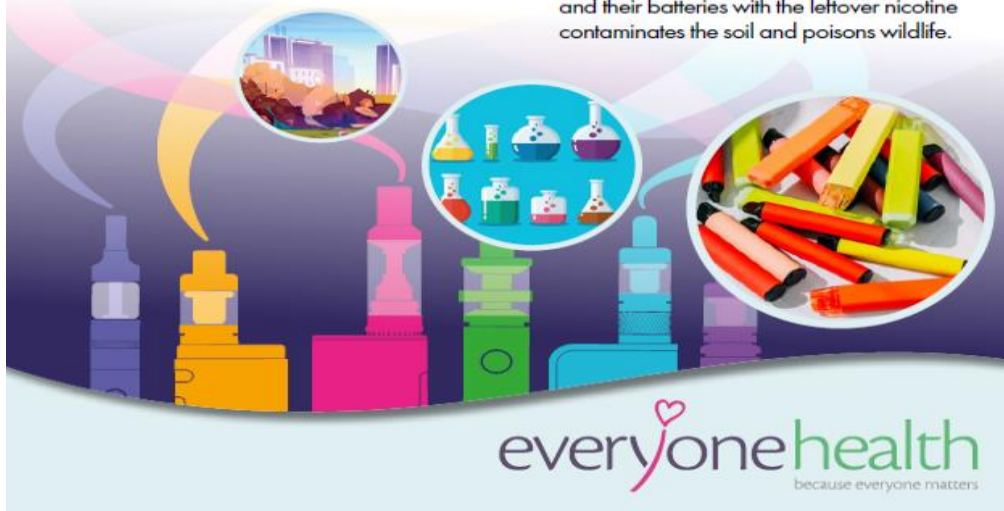
Vaping... a guide for under 11's

What is Vaping?

- Vapes are electronic, and often use a battery to heat a flavored liquid which creates a vapour that people breathe in.
- Many vapes look like brightly coloured pens highlighters or small boxes.
- Vaping started as a way to help adults stop smoking cigarettes.
- Today, many children who have never smoked are using vapes, and causing damage to their health, making them very poorly.

Why is vaping bad for me?

- Vapes contain nicotine which is very addictive – this means that once you start it can be hard to stop.
- As vapes have harmful chemicals inside, they can be very bad for your health and has even put some young people in hospital.
- Lots of vapes are thrown away which is bad for our planet. It increases waste plastic, and their batteries with the leftover nicotine contaminates the soil and poisons wildlife.



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What is Addiction?

- Addiction is not having control over doing, taking or using something that could be harmful.
- Addiction can make you feel:
 - Sad and low
 - Restless, finding it hard to relax
 - Feeling angry and irritable with your friends and family
 - Finding it hard to concentrate
 - Feeling like you can't stop
 - All you think about is what you are addicted to
- If you start vaping you might become addicted to it.
- Nicotine is addictive and you breathe nicotine in when you vape.

What is Nicotine?

- Nicotine is a drug which is addictive
- Nicotine harms the brain and affects:
 - Attention and concentration
 - Learning
 - Your mood
 - Can give you headaches
 - Can make you feel dizzy
- When inhaled nicotine increases your heart rate making it beat faster
- It can make it harder to sleep at night
- Your brain is developing until you are age 25 and nicotine harms your brain development.



What should I do if I am offered a vape?

- Anyone who is younger than 18 years old is not allowed to buy a vape.
- That means your friends in your class should not have a vape and you should not try to use it.
- If someone offers you a vape you should tell a teacher or a trusted adult.



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What's on? Whitehaven Library

Monday

- Rhyme Time 10:00-10:45 | Term time Pre-school + parent/guardian
- Intergenerational Chess 15:30-16:30 | 2nd and 4th Mon of the Month All Ages

Tuesday

- English Cafe 10:00-12:00 | Term time Individuals and families
- Knit and Natter 13:00-15:00 Adults
- Lego Club 15:30-16:30 | Fortnightly Kids 5+ accompanied by parent/guardian

Wednesday

- Social @ The Library 10:30 - 12:00 1st Wed of the Month Adults
- Wednesday Jigsaw Mornings 13:00 - 15:00 Adults
- Board Games 13:00 - 15:00 Adults
- Chatbooks 15:45-16:45 | 1st Weds of Month 7-11 years old + parent/guardian

Thursday

- Story Tots 14:00-14:30 | Term Time Pre-school + parent/guardian
- Tabletop Game Take-over 16:00-18:00 All ages, under 8's + parent/guardian

Friday

- Sensory room 13:30 - 17:00 All ages
- Console Club 15:45 - 16:45 | Booking Required All ages. Under 8's accompanied by parent/guardian

Saturday

- Sensory room 10:00 - 13:30 All ages
- Stories 11:00-11:30 4-11 + parent/guardian

Dates 23-24

Monday 29th April 2024	There will be NO beehive provision on this day due to staff training
<u>Monday 6th May 2024</u>	<u>Bank Holiday—School Closed</u>
Tuesday 7th May 2024 11.45a.m	Year 3 parent/carer lunch
Friday 17th May 2024 9-10a.m	Coffee Morning
Tuesday 21st May 2024 11.45a.m	Year 4 parent/carer lunch
<u>Friday 24th May 2024</u>	<u>Break up for Half Term</u> <u>SPORTS DAY, COPELAND STADIUM</u> There will be NO Beehive provision on this day

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Dates 23-24

<u>Monday 3rd June 2024</u>	<u>Children return to school 8.45a.m</u>
Tuesday 11th June 2024	Year 5 parent/carer lunch
Wednesday 12th June 2024 3.30p.m	Year 6 London Residential Meeting
Friday 14th June 2024 9-10a.m	Coffee Morning
Tuesday 18th June 2024- Friday 21st June 2024	Year 6 London Residential
Tuesday 25th June 2024 11.45a.m	Year 6 parent/carer lunch
Thursday 27th June 2024	Whole School Walk
Wednesday 3rd July 2024	Move up Day
Thursday 11th July 2024	Rosehill Event pm/night- KS2
Friday 12th July 2024 9-10a.m	Coffee Morning
Tuesday 16th July 2024	Open afternoon N-Year 5 Reports sent home
Thursday 18th July 2024	Year 6 Leavers Bash 5-7p.m
<u>Friday 19th July 2024</u>	<u>Break up for Summer Holidays</u>
<u>Wednesday 4th September 2024</u>	<u>First day of Academic Year 2024-2025</u>