

29 September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

### Open Evening

Yesterday evening we had a fantastic Open Evening and have received great feedback from many visitors to the school. It was so impressive that over 150 students volunteered to come back and help out with subject areas or act as tour guides. They were all an absolute credit to the school. Thank you to all the staff who worked so hard as well.

If you are aware of any Year 6 students who would like to visit the school on a normal working day please ask their parents/carers to contact the school.

### School Shop

Mr Long has done a great job with the prefects and divided them into 4 teams – each one focussed on one of our core values of commitment, aspiration, resilience and respect. The commitment team are going to start running an equipment shop so that all students in school can be fully equipped for their learning. I have attached the price list for the shop and students will be given more details next week.

### Year 11 Buddhism Trip

As part of their GCSE in Religious Studies Year 11 are focussing on Buddhism. Mr Churm and the RS team offered a voluntary trip to the Buddhist Centre in Ulverston to enhance their learning and it is a credit to Year 11 that 163 of 199 students have applied to go on this trip either next Tuesday or Wednesday. I hope they have a really interesting, enjoyable and informative trip.

### Detentions

As a reminder, detentions are normally given the same day if issued before 1.30 p.m. Detentions by definition are meant to be an inconvenience but it is also better to get them done with so a fresh start can be had the next day. Detentions are in half hour sessions from 3.15 – 3.45, 3.45 – 4.15 and 4.45 – 4.45 p.m. if someone was to be given three detentions in a day. Most students in detention are only there for the first half hour. Any student who fails to attend will be given a Head's detention which is either Tuesday or Friday till 5.00 p.m. We will not rearrange detentions at the request of a student and would ask your support in ensuring they are done the same day unless absolutely unavoidable.



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### School Buses

If students have a pass with a school bus number on it then they are expected to catch that specific bus and can be refused access to any other bus. We expect the highest standards of behaviour on the buses and students need to be aware that passes can be withdrawn or they can be banned from using a bus if behaviour on a bus is unacceptable.

### Author visit

Next Wednesday our Year 7 will be joined by 120 Year 6 students for the visit of children's author Frank Cottrell-Boyce. If you have not already done so and want to order a copy of his new book, 'The Wonder Brothers', this can be done through ScoPay at a cost of £9.

With best wishes.

Yours faithfully



Mr A Waller  
Headteacher