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Dear Parents,

Safer Internet Day

Today is Safer Internet Day and in each class the children have been doing activities and discussing ways of keeping safe on the internet. With this newsletter you should receive information designed for parents which we hope you will read and use to help your children navigate this complex but wonderful resource.

One important message we would like to make clear is that:
the age limit for almost all social media accounts is 13 !

Recent Sporting Success

A few weeks ago our Indoor Athletics team won the second local round of the county competition at Kirkbie Kendal School. They will now join with the team from Ghyllside School to represent South Lakeland in the finals.

Our cross country runners have been very busy (and have enjoyed getting extremely muddy in the process !). Three of our runners were put through to last week's county finals at Casterton School. Well done to Joel Saunders and Lewis Fearnhead who came 19th and 20th in the Year 5 competition. Huge congratulations to Kate Collin who came 5th in the Year 4 competition.

We are very proud of the way in which all of our children have competed in these competitions.

Y5 RNLI Fund-raising

One of Y5's topics this term is 'Shipwrecked'. The children in Year 5 would like to raise money for the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (RNLI) and will be selling cakes at afternoon break next Tuesday 14th February. We would like you, your family and friends to support Year 5 by baking cakes and biscuits for sale and allowing your child(ren) to buy a cake/biscuit at a cost of 30p (please send into school in a marked envelope or purse/wallet). Please send your baking into school next Tuesday morning. Any cakes/biscuits left will be sold outside school at home time on Tuesday.

Year 6 'Bright Stars' Enterprise Competition

Is your child always under your feet? Do you want your children occupied in something worthwhile as you get tasks done at home ? We have just the thing for you.

Children in the Year 6 class have been working on the local 'Bright Stars' enterprise project. We have been partnered with local firm Coulson Associates who are helping us develop and sell an original product. The children have planned, written and produced a book of puzzle activities.

The books will be sold at £2.50 each with the profits raised split between the school and Macmillan Cancer Support, the charity chosen by Year 6. The puzzle books will be available to buy in March. More details to follow.

P.T.A. Film Night – 6.30 p.m. Thursday 16 February: Film Night letter will be sent home tomorrow.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Lists to sign up for an appointment will be in classes next week.

Monday 6 March 2.30-3.20 and 6.00-8.00 p.m.

Thursday 9 March 2.30-3.20 and 4.00-6.00 p.m.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. P. Barfoot
Headteacher