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"With exploring minds, and faith, we achieve our challenging goals."

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Welcome to this week's newsletter

The children have made a fantastic start to the year. All children have been working extremely hard with some going that extra mile to achieve a Pupil of the Week Certificate.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Imogen Fisher

Class 2 - Alix Rooney, William Hackett,
Emi-Leigh Rudd

Class 3 - Luke Dixon, Eden Hetherington

Class 4 - Luke Lofthouse, Katie Ellison

Class 5 - Kacey-Leigh
McGarry, Preston Meloy, Caleb Frankland

Class 6 - Alexander Methven, Lola Fitzsimons

Class 7 - Tyler Elliott, Bradley Tomlinson

HOUSE TEAMS

Catbells have taken the lead this week with 47 points.



Attendance Winners:

Mrs Kitchin's class, class 6 have top attendance this week with 99.6%

Overall school attendance — 96.67%

Minutes lost to lateness — 15 minutes

Parentmail

We use Parentmail as a way of communicating with parents by text and email and it can also be used to make secure online payments. Y3 parents—please register using the link you have received by email or text as soon as possible.

Weekly Newsletter

The weekly newsletter will be emailed to you through Parentmail. Please ensure we have a current email address for you on record and do let us know if you have a problem or you don't receive your copy.

Pupil Absence

If your child is absent from school due to illness, please phone the school with the reason. If we do not hear from you by 9.30am, we will phone you to check that your child is safe.

School Meals/Packed Lunch

The cost of school meals is £2.20 per day or £11.00 per week and dinner money should be handed in each Monday morning or paid online using Parentmail. **Please keep your child's dinner money payments up to date.**

Healthy Schools

In the interest of promoting healthy food at St James' we ask that parents do not provide sweets and chocolate bars as part of the packed lunch. In addition we ask that children bring in fruit or bread products such as pancakes, waffles, bagels, etc. for their morning snack. From next week any child bringing in sugary sweets or crisps for their morning snack will be asked put their snack back in their bag and not be allowed to eat it on the grounds. For further guidance please refer to our packed lunch policy found on our website.

Music Tuition for children in Y4-6

Please note the new days for Guitar lessons. The groups will be set on Monday so children should bring their guitars with them on Monday morning please but may need to bring them again on Thursday depending on the group they are put in.

- **Monday & Thursday afternoons** – Guitar with Mr Curzon
- **Thurs morning** - Keyboard with Mr Bartholomew

A letter will be sent home with the Year 3 children later this half term for the opportunity to take part in music tuition lessons starting after half term.

Jewellery

Jewellery is not allowed except for a watch and one pair of stud earrings. Earrings must be removed by pupils for P.E and not covered. If the earrings can't be taken out then pupils won't be able to participate in P.E.

Pupil Premium

If you are on a low income please contact the school for details of how your child could be eligible for extra funding in school and free school meals.

School Milk

Please visit our school milk provider's website Coolmilk.com to register your child to have a carton of fresh, semi skimmed milk each break time.

Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair will be open after school on Thursday 15th Sept, then each morning before school and after school until the morning of Thursday 22nd. Please do come along and take a look.

After School Football Club

An after school football club for Y6 children with Carlisle Utd coaches is planned to start next Wednesday 14th. A letter will be sent out on Monday.

Paddle Boarding

8 children from year 6 started a block of paddle boarding sessions on the harbour on Monday. They are attending the sessions after school through the WHYP and they are working towards a water sports award.

Class 2 (Mr Tyson)

On Monday afternoon we had a team building session in the hall. The children worked in teams of 7 to complete a set of challenges including; lowering a stick to the ground (harder than it sounds), passing a hoop around a link of bodies and untangling a human knot!



Social Evening Supper - Friday 16th September at 7.00pm

The event will be held at St James' Community Centre with Cumbrian tattie pot followed by apple crumble. Tickets are £8, contact Susan Kitchen tel. 01946 62205, if you are interested in taking part.

Heart Warming Messages

This week I was lucky enough to receive wonderful messages from two families. They had both spent the last few weeks caring for their premature babies in the Special Care Baby Unit at West Cumberland. While there they received a special pack of products that really supported the families in their hour of need. They have asked me to pass on their heart felt thanks to all children who were involved in this fundraising activity. Well done children.

Fire Service – Again I received a framed certificate from David McDowell at 'The Fire Fighters Charity' whom, with the big help from the families of St James' raised £1700 that goes towards supporting injured fire service men and providing support for families and the elderly whose homes have been affected by fire damage.

As ever, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about any aspect of school life. Have a great weekend and see you on Monday.

Mr Beattie



Key Dates

Mon 12th Sept: Y4 swimming tuition, Copeland Pool

Wed 14th Sept: Y3 visit to Honister Slate Mine, back approx. 3.45pm

Tue 20th Sept: School photographer, individual photos & family groups 3.10pm—4pm

Fri 23 Sept: Y4 visit to Senhouse Museum - letters out soon.

Mon 26th Sept: Full Governors' meeting 5.30pm

Thu 29th Sept: Y5 & 6 visit to React Science Show 'Glorious Blood' - letters out soon.

Monday 3rd Oct: Harvest Festival (TBC)

w/c 12th Sept	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1	Beef, cheese or vegetarian burger in a bun with potato wedges and baked beans	Steak pie with mash, sweetcorn and cabbage	Spaghetti or vegetarian bolognese with garlic bread and peas	Chicken served with Yorkshire puddings, potatoes, broccoli, carrots and stuffing	Pepperoni or cheese & tomato pizza with chips and baked beans
CHOICE 2	Fish fingers with potato wedges and baked beans	Salmon fillet in wholemeal crumb served with mash, sweetcorn and cabbage	Gammon with pineapple and vegetable rice	Vegetarian roast dinner with Yorkshire pudding, potatoes, broccoli, carrots and stuffing	Lentil soup & a sandwich
CHOICE 3	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with potato wedges	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with vegetable rice	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna
DESSERT	Shortbread and custard	Chocolate crunch and custard	Fruit sponge and custard	Chocolate muffin	Fruit salad and cream/ice cream