



“With exploring minds, and faith; we grow and learn together”

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Newsletter

Well Done

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The children have all been working extremely hard this week.

Here are our Pupils of the Week

Windermere – Harry B & Lucian K

Ullswater – Sophia R

Derwentwater – Riven H & Fletcher M

Bassenthwaite – Clara C

Ennerdale – Caleb R

Buttermere – Archie S



CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

Windermere – Philippa B

Ullswater – Poppy S & Rosalee T

Derwentwater – Joseph M & Lucas C-F

Bassenthwaite – Lottie Y

Ennerdale – Martha R

Buttermere – Seth F



The St. James' Way

- ✓ **Be Kind**
- ✓ **Be Respectful**
- ✓ **Give Your All**

SPORTING HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

We are always very proud of our sporting prowess at St James'. This week Year 3 & 4 have been focusing on footy skills (check our [Bassenthwaite](#) & [Ennerdale's](#) Galleries) and we are looking forward to children from all year group competing in a run-fit event at St Benedicts next Tuesday.



THANK YOU

to all the Librarians, Lunchtime Hall Helpers, Tuck Shop Volunteers and Craze It Crew who have helped this week!



ATTENDANCE WINNERS:

ENNERDALE

had top attendance this week and will get an extra MUGA day.

Overall school attendance this week is: **97.35%**

Each week, all of the children gaining 100% in a reading quiz are placed into a prize draw to win a book of their choice. This week's winners were Susie L & Aaron H.





A wet start to our week which improved as the week went on. I was particularly pleased how the new children adapted to their routines of coming into the school hall by themselves during the wet mornings, and how sensible everyone was during wet play. Thankfully the sun did come out and we were able to enjoy some time learning and playing with our friends outdoors. This week, myself and senior leaders had a look through the children's English and Maths books and it was great to see the excellent work and progress already in these first few weeks. Keep up the great work! This week in Celebration Assembly, staff spoke very positively of the work and effort shown across all classes and how an increasing number of children were successful in getting their homework sticker this week. Again, it is great to hear of the kindness, respect and an attitude of giving your all, summed up as 'The St James' Way' in action throughout the week. Have a great weekend, *Mr Beattie*

School Messages, Notices & Reminders

Forest School

This week we started with an exciting new project called Forest Schools. For our first session we were blessed with lovely autumnal sunshine and enjoyed meeting Emma, our Forest School Leader. We built dens, bridges and created paints from wild blackberries. We even had a bit of time to jump in some muddy puddles. Much fun was had by all.



Thinking of You Week

As part of Thinking of You Week, the children have been busy learning about kindness and particularly the power of a written message. This week all children sent and received a written card from their classmates and then on Thursday sent a further card to a friend, classmate, family member, teacher, coach or just a person in the community that they admired. It is lovely to think of the kindness that has been shared around the St James' Community this week. The cards that were used by all the children and staff were kindly donated by Jonathan Crosby, an ex-pupil of St James' who offered the cards from his card making business Stripeycats. For those who may have missed it, this story was also picked up by the local media [click here](#)



Music Tuition

We have been blown away by the interest in joining Mr Bradley for guitar and keyboard tuition. Unfortunately, last year we were unable to fill the vacancy left by Mr Curzon and Miss Bailey, but it has been great to hear the sounds of guitars and keyboards playing under the guidance of Mr Bradley once again. For those who have accepted a place, can we remind children to bring in their own guitars, if they have them, to help the groups run smoothly. We have sufficient keyboards in school so no need to bring them into school. We also have our Percussion club happening after school on a Wednesday with Andy from STIX. We still have a number of places available for this so if you are interested in learning about percussion, please see the office. Once we have had the groups running for a while, we will work with Mr Bradley and Andy to arrange a performance for parents.



Here are links to some activities which have been happening in school this week (click on pictures). Check out all of the other [galleries](#) showing the children learning and exploring a range of different topics. Check out your child's [class page](#) here.



Create it



Forest School



Ennerdale
Thinking of You



Derwentwater
Making a Model Heart

SCHOOL HELPERS

Each week, we ask for support from our students in helping the running of the school. This week I would like to bring to everyone's attention the great jobs being undertaken by our school pupils. This includes: our librarians, who tidy the library and support the younger children in choosing their books; our lunchtime hall helpers, who clear tables and tidy away the lunch trays for everyone; our Craze-It Crew, who this week introduced a new craze of 'Create-It' and support the children in creating a whole manner of imaginative things from Lego, wooden blocks, creative chinks and crazy forts. It really does boost my spirits to see the children 'growing and learning together'.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Parents are invited this year to a joint church service for Harvest Festival. This will be held at St James' Church with Rev Alison Dorbell on Friday 13th October at 10.30am. The service is likely to last an hour and will involve children from both the infant and junior schools, sharing songs, poems, artwork and prayers of thanks. It would be nice to see as many families as possible there. As part of our Harvest Festival we are asking for contributions to our Foodbank donation. A list of products accepted by Foodbank is attached with this newsletter. Thank you, as always, for your support in this.

WEEKLY CLUBS

⇒ Tuesday—

- ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collected from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)

⇒ Wednesday –

- ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
- ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collected from Swingpump Lane @ 4.45 p.m.)
- ◆ STIX Percussion (collection from school @ 4.15 pm)

⇒ Thursday -

- Music (Guitar/Keyboard)
- Tuition throughout the school day

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Thursday 28th September – Individual School Photo Day
- Tuesday 3rd & Wednesday 4th October – Parents Evenings
- Friday 13th October – Harvest Festival Service at St James' Church at 10.30am
- Monday 16th October – Buildings & Finance Governors Meeting
- Monday 23rd— Friday 27th October—HALF TERM
- Wednesday 1st November – Halloween Disco



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“Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light on my path. Psalm 119:105”