

St James' Church of England Junior School

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"With exploring minds, and faith; we grow and learn together."

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Welcome to this week's Newsletter

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The children have all been working extremely hard this week. Here are our Pupils of the Week-

Windermere - Kenna A

Ullswater—Zayne M

Derwentwater – Danny M & Theo K

Bassenthwaite—Daniel P & Connor J

Ennerdale - Zayn C

Buttermere - Clara S



Attendance winners:

Derwentwater & Buttermere had top attendance this week and will share an extra MUGA day.

Overall school attendance this

week is: 98.21 %



Homework Heroes

Windermere - Charlotte J & Aoife C

Ullswater - Lexie R

Derwentwater - Wilf P

Bassenthwaite - Jensen F

Ennerdale - Freddie J & Amy H

Buttermere - Alfie C



Christian Value Award

Windermere – Kai S

Ullswater - Jayden G

Derwentwater - Aysha E

Bassenthwaite - Liam H &

Philippa B

Ennerdale - Riven H

Buttermere - Macey G



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 Sam G, Nancy H, Seth F & Evan C

Every week, children are encouraged to take part in the 'St James' Fitness Trail'

and a winner is drawn from everyone who has completed it that week. Well done to this week's winner, Lottie F who has won a sporting prize of their choice.



Thank you to all the Lunchtime Hall Helpers, Tuck Shop

Volunteers and Craze
It Crew who have
helped this week!



Welcome to this week's Newsletter.

It was great to welcome parents into school for our parents evening sessions this week, to share the work in books and speak with class teachers. I'm sure many of the messages recognised how hard the children work with some useful discussions in next steps in learning.

It is with this same enthusiasm, that we came together in our Celebration Assembly this morning to recognise achievements throughout the week. As always, teachers spoke proudly and gave out certificates for demonstrating Christian Values and completing homework to a high standard.

Other children received their Pupil of the Week Certificate, and a letter home to parents, for such things as mature attitudes, being a role model to other pupils and children who are growing in confidence in subjects they previously found difficult.

Great to see The St James' Way in action.

Enjoy a restful weekend. Mr Beattie

School Notices & Reminders—

- <u>St James' Book Day</u>—We had a great day on Thursday, enjoying all the children with their creative costumes. They all looked fantastic and hopefully enjoyed the activities, prize books and vouchers. It was great chatting to them about their favourite characters and the books they enjoyed. I think you will agree, the staff scrubbed up pretty well too!
- <u>Strike Day</u> As per our text out to parents yesterday, as it currently stands, both Bassenthwaite and Buttermere classes will be closed over the strike days— Wednesday 15th & Thursday 16th March. The other 4 classes will be open as normal. We will inform parents if there are any changes to these arrangements.
- <u>Clubs Next Week</u>—Due to the strike days next week both Judo Breakfast and STIX After-school clubs will be cancelled, but all other clubs, including SATs booster groups will continue as normal.
- <u>Year 6 Shropshire Residential</u> Thank you those who have returned forms and made payments towards the Year 6 Residential in June so far. For those of you who have not already, please could a payment of at least £20, as a deposit, be made against the total balance by the end of March please. Please note that SchoolMoney will allow you to overwrite the total amount and pay however much you want, and in as many payments as you like, which we hope helps parents with making regular instalments between now and the 5th June (deadline for the balance).
- Year 5 & 6 STEM DAY

 All children in Years 5 & 6 will be spending the day at Westlakes Science Park on Tuesday
 next week for a STEM day. This has always been a popular event and

the children will enjoy seeing all the technology and experiments taking place and might even inspire a few children into a STEM career. Children will leave and return within normal school hours and will need to wear normal school uniform, but will require a packed lunch. If you would like a school packed lunch please contact the office.

- Book Fair—Thank you to everyone who recently came to and purchased from our Scholastic Book Fair. We managed to raise £306 for books for our school library, so a huge thank you to everyone and especially our pupil helpers who did an amazing job running the book fair.
- Year 5 & 6 Ennerdale Field Work Days—Children have brought home a consent form for WHYP this week, for some field work days the children will be doing before Easter at Ennerdale. We appreciate that some of you will have already filled out these forms for previous activities, including Adventure Club but they have asked us to get a new form from every child for this activity. We will advise parents of dates and kit lists by the end of next week.
- Whitehaven Pre-Loved Sale—There is a pre-loved sale taking place at Hensingham Community Centre on Saturday 18th March—details and times on the flyer.



AVAILABLE

Easter Fayre

Easter Egg Donations – Thanks for everyone's kind donations of an Easter Egg for today's non-uniform day to support our upcoming Easter Fayre on Friday 31st March.

The next non-uniform days will be: <u>Friday 17th March</u> - A bottle donation for our bottle tombola (anything alcoholic, or toiletries or even soft drinks and cordial) and <u>Friday 24th March</u> — a coloured donation for the class hampers which are our raffle prizes.

Class colours are;

- Windermere (Mrs L Pool) Yellow
- Ullswater (Mrs Foye) Blue
- Derwentwater (Mr Carruthers/Mrs Jopson) Green
- Bassenthwaite (Mrs Pickering) White
- Ennerdale (Mr Tyson) Pink
- Buttermere (Mrs A Pool) Purple



St James' Book Day Galleries.......









BFG and friends!

Super potatoes and spiders!

The Dictionary!

The Wizards of Ullswater!

Check out all of the other <u>galleries</u> showing the children learning and exploring a range of different topics. Check out your child's <u>class page</u> here.

Coming up at St James' -

- ⇒ Monday 13th March—Pupil Progress & Welfare Governors Meeting
- → Tuesday 14th March—Years 5 & 6 STEM Day @

 Westlakes Science Park
- ⇒ Wednesday 16th & Thursday 16th—NEU Strike Days—Bassenthwaite & Buttermere Classes CLOSED
- ⇒ Friday 17th March—Non Uniform—Bottle Donation
- ⇒ Tuesday 21st March—Easter Disco
- ⇒ Friday 24th March—Non Uniform—Colour Donation
- ⇒ Monday 27th March—Full Governors Meeting
- ⇒ Friday 31st March—Easter Fayre & STIX Percussion performance
- ⇒ Easter Holidays—Monday 3rd April—Friday 14th April
- ⇒ Tuesday 6th—Friday 9th June—Year 6 Residential

Weekly Clubs & Activities—

- ⇒ Monday—Table Tennis Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collected from Swingpump Lane @ 4.45 p.m.)
- ⇒ Tuesday—8.00 am Zumba Breakfast Club & After School Gymnastics Club (Collected from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)
 - ⇒ Wednesday
 - ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
 - ◆ STIX Percussion Club_(until 4.15 p.m.)
 - ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collected from Swingpump Lane @ 4.45 p.m.)
 - ♦ Yr 5 Textiles Club @ School (until 4.20 p.m.)
 - ◆ Year 6 English SATS Booster @ School (until 4.20 p.m.)
- ⇒ Thursday—Year 6 Maths SATS Booster @ School (until 4.20 p.m.)