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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 - Rhys F & David M

Ullswater - Caleb H

Derwentwater – Kai S

Bassenthwaite - Rudi T

Ennerdale - Jenson M

Buttermere - Ahtee J

Attendance winners:

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

Overall school attendance this week is: 95.97%



Homework Heroes



Windermere - Charlotte J

Ullswater - Skyler C

Derwentwater - Jules F, Tia K, Nancy H & Wilf P

From Year 3 for Spelling Bee Challenge—

Bassenthwaite - Connor J

Ennerdale—Carson M & Freddie J

Buttermere - Solomon D

Christian Value Award



Windermere – Scarlett H & Windermere Year 5s

Ullswater - Jayden G

Derwentwater - All Year 6s

Bassenthwaite - Betsy O & Liam H

Ennerdale - Thea L, Ava L & Ella M

Buttermere - Charlotte R

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 Layla O & Danny M.



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, David D, 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!



Another great week that has seen new children join us, older pupils leave us (temporarily), pirates and sailors swashbuckling on the high seas and lots of quality learning thrown in the mix just for good measure. The summer holiday is fast approaching but next week offers more amazing experiences to round off a great year. Again, Mrs Foye hosted the celebration assembly today and was delighted to pass on certificates to our students for focus and respectfulness, always being ready to learn and always having a smile.

Wishing you a restful weekend. *Mr Beattie*



School Messages, Notices & Reminders—

Ooohaaargy Mateys!— Well what a show! This morning I wake as a very proud headteacher indeed. We had limited time with all sorts of other events going on in school including writing moderation, wild swimming and sporting events, but my gosh their enthusiasm and energy was inspiring. To see the whole school come together as



one and show how we 'grow and learn together' left me feeling really emotional and inspired. Well done to you all for your collective efforts and perhaps this morning may feel a little more serene now that the swashbuckling is over. I'm sure the whole St James' community can't wait for the video to enjoy once more. Watch this space for details of how to view the recording.

Year 2 Move Up Morning – It was great to welcome our Year 2 children for a taster morning with their new teachers on Tuesday. We were also joined by a number of children who have moved into Whitehaven and will join us in September.

Year 3/4's Football Tournament - This week was the turn of our Year 3 & 4 mixed football team to take part in the Active Cumbria School Football Games. Our team Harry B, Tait, Lottie Y, Isla, Henry, Harrow, Jack, Noah & Grayson were again an absolute credit to our school and played with great enthusiasm and showed a very sporting and respectful approach to playing and were only very narrowly beaten in the semi finals—so a huge well done to them all.

Sports Day – This Thursday we host our annual Sports Day at FC Whitehaven Amateurs on Coach Rd, Whitehaven. The children will be taken down to the club in the morning and will spend the morning completing some field events and will participate in a mini football tournament for their houses. After lunch we will start our track events and would like to invite parents along to watch this part. Parents are invited along for 1pm – 3pm and as another reminder. parking is very limited. Parking on site and access can be tricky when traffic is high, so we would ask that parents car share where possible, and look to park away from site whenever possible. We are happy for the children to be collected from Amateurs at the end of the sports day and we will walk other children back to school who can't be collected. All children have been given their house/team colour and we have asked for them to wear something in this colour if possible but if not, please don't worry as we have sports bibs in each team colour. **ALL CHILDREN WILL NEED A PACKED LUNCH on Thursday**—please contact the school office if you would like to order one from school. Children will need to come in suitable sports footwear i.e. trainers and bring water bottles.



House colours are; **Skiddaw—Red**, **Blencathra—Yellow**, **Scafell—Blue**, **Cat Bells—Green** & **Melbreak—Orange**

Disco—Tuesday is our termly disco. Due to some of the issues experienced at the last disco, we have decided to trial splitting the time between the lowers (Year 3 & 4) and uppers (Year 5 & 6). We hope this will ease the pressure at drop off and collection because of the added number of residents parking in the evening. To confirm timings; 5-5.45 is lowers only, from 5.45 uppers children can arrive and all lowers should be collected by 6.15p.m. Uppers should be collected at 7 p.m. All children will be collected from the ramp. Entry is £2 on the door and sweet cones and hot dogs will be available as well as face painting and glitter tattoos. As part of our continued fundraising all profits will go towards improvements in the school library.



Whilst mentioning the library it is worth noting that despite investing in upwards of 20 copies of Dogman and Bad Guys this year, there is currently not one copy in the school library so please can we encourage children to return so everyone can enjoy. Thank you

EBASC Taster Session—Monday 11th is our taster session for the new Year 2s in After school club—all children will be collected from the infants by our staff and should be collected from Juniors—collection is from the electronic door entry system on the large blue gate (signage will be in place).

End of Year Trips—Year 3 & 4 will be having an end of year trip to Clip & Climb and Year 5 & 6 will be visiting the cinema on Tuesday 18th July. Year 5 & 6 will be seeing the new Disney Pixar Elemental which has been released today.



Internet Safety

We feel it is right to report to parents that an unfortunate incident involving one of our students has happened this week. It appears that when using Roblox and other online chat platforms, one of our children has been communicating with someone who she genuinely thought was a 13yr old girl—this person has engineered a 'friendship' and over time messages have become unsavoury, and it has become apparent that this person is not a child but in fact an adult.

We regularly update children on internet safety and about passing on any concerns or worries they have to a trusted adult. We are grateful, in this instance, that this was shared with parents and they have been able to intervene and police have been contacted.

On Internet Safety Day this year we spoke about the focus being on promoting discussions between children and adults on the things they do online and the experiences they have. It is hoped by sharing this message with wider families that we can reassure children that whilst these occurrences are rare, that they do happen and that they should always be vigilant.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Here are links to some activities which have been happening in school this week (click on pictures) -



Bassenthwaite Science Show



Derwentwater—Eye of the Storm



Ullswater — Move Up Day



Year 5/6 Microbit Computing

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.

Coming up at St James' -

- ⇒ Tuesday 11th July—Leavers Disco 5-7 (5-6.15 Lower, 5.45-7 Uppers)
- ⇒ Thursday 13th July—Sports Day (Parents welcome from 1-3 p.m.) - Whitehaven Amateurs
- ⇒ Wednesday 19th July—Year 6 Leavers service 12-12.45 p.m.
- ⇒ End of Summer Term—Wednesday 19th July—School Finish at 1 p.m. PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB ON THE LAST DAY OF TERM

Weekly Clubs & Activities—

- ⇒ Monday—
 - ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
(Monday this week only & last session this year)
- ⇒ Friday
 - ◆ Mr Carruthers Year 5 & 6 Sports Club (Collect from school @ 4.30 p.m.) **LAST SESSION**



END OF YEAR—

SchoolMoney—As we approach the end of term we would be very grateful if parents could clear outstanding balances on SchoolMoney. If you have any queries about payments then please contact the office.

PE Kit & Uniform—If all parents could please think about ordering PE kit for next year as we will be putting in an order on Wednesday 12th July for delivery during inset in September. Orders should be placed through the 'shop' section of SchoolMoney. If any Year 6s who are leaving, or others who have outgrown PE kit or school uniform in good condition, would like to donate items at the end of term then we will happily accept donations. We will then have items on an honesty rail in September for families to buy, for a small contribution, if they would like to.



A reminder that the last day of this term is Wednesday 19th July (finish at 1pm) and children return in September on Wednesday 6th