



“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 – Archie L
- Ullswater – Nate H & Jenson M
- Derwentwater – David D & Aysha E
- Bassenthwaite – Aoife R & Ruby H
- Ennerdale – Betsy O
- Buttermere – Sanjeedah A



The St. James' Way

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

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

- Windermere – Jamie F
- Ullswater – Ellis D
- Derwentwater – Jack E
- Bassenthwaite – Dylan R & Oliver G
- Ennerdale – Tyler T
- Buttermere – Oscar BFS & Joshua O



CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week's Catch Me Card winner Seth F, who has won a prize of their choice for being spotted by one of the Midday Team doing something extra special around school during lunchtime.



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: 93.16%

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 Edie L & Aoife R.





Hello and welcome to this week's newsletter. This week we have been out and about taking part in school sporting events, alongside plenty of learning in our topics, and preparations for our Nativity.

December is fast approaching and there is a real productive buzz around school as we get ready for this special time. Children continue to give their all in their learning and it was great to meet this morning as whole school to share success stories and hand out certificates for excellent efforts in homework, brilliant climbing skills and amazing progress. The theme for our Worship this week was 'seeing the light' and hearing all of these positive messages from children's achievements helped us all feel lighter and brighter.

Keep up the good work everyone and enjoy a restful weekend, Mr Beattie

School Messages, Notices & Reminders

Year 5 & 6 Football & Netball - A really enjoyable afternoon was spent up at St Benedict's School on Tuesday, with a group of Year 5 & 6 children working with staff and students of St Benedict's for an inter-school football and netball competition. Our group were great, with many of them only playing Netball for the first time. This didn't put any of them off, and I was really proud to see them showing values of resilience, sportsmanship and positivity. Thank you to Mrs Grealish and the Year 10 students for their help in planning and running the event.

Football at Whitehaven Academy - On Thursday a group of Year 5 & 6 students were taken to The Whitehaven Academy for a friendly competition against a combination of both primary and secondary schools. It was reported how well the children performed, and how enthusiastic, and positive the group were in representing our school. For many it was their 1st time representing the school, Mrs McGrane and Miss Doran reported that they were all absolutely brilliant.

Multi Skills Team - Monday saw a team visit to Lakes College for a multi-skills event. This event saw children compete against other schools in a Panathlon Challenge, with our purple team coming in 3rd place. The whole group had a really enjoyable morning taking part in events such as curling, boccia, races and basketball to name but a few. Mrs Glaister and Miss Shakley said how well the children engaged with the event. Well done team.

Road Safety Talk - Thank you to PCSO Mark Fishpool who came into school on Tuesday to offer key reminders in being road safe during these darker months. I was really impressed with how respectfully the children listened to Mark and the great answers and responses they offered on their understanding of the Green Cross Code, and best approaches to be seen when crossing the road. Thankyou Mark for offering the time to come and speak with us.

Nativity Charity - As in previous years, St James' Church will be once again hanging their upside-down Christmas Tree - The Tree of Hope, in the church this year. If you would like to hang a 'tag' on the tree, for a small donation, with hopes for the future or maybe in memory of a loved one, labels will be available from the school office for hopes and prayers to be written on, which can then be hung on the tree. All donations go to the Special Care Baby Unit, at West Cumberland Hospital.

Eschool Nurse - Please see attached poster for details.



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.



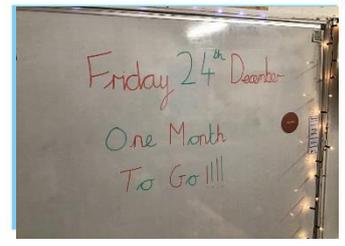
**Year 3/4
Multiskills**



**Bassenthwaite
Roaming Reporter**



**Year 5/6
Football**



**Derwentwater Simply
Having a Wonderful
Christmas Time**

PREMIUM BREAKFAST CLUB

An important note to any families utilising the Premium Breakfast Club service, due staffing changes in EBASC we will no longer be able to offer this service, so registers will be removed from SchoolMoney from Monday and children should be booked into normal Breakfast Club.



POPPY APPEAL

The school raised £239 for this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you all for your generosity.

TICKETS

Tickets are now available for our Nativity performances on Tuesday 12th December at 12.45 p.m. and 5 p.m. There will be no charge for tickets, but we ask everyone to complete the order form coming home today and we will issue tickets.

Keep practicing our Nativity songs

<https://www.stjamesjun.cumbria.sch.uk/work/nativity-songs/85896>

A reminder tickets for Big Christmas Sing-A-Long are now available to buy on SchoolMoney, £5 per ticket.

WEEKLY CLUBS

- ⇒ Tuesday—
 - ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collect from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.) **4 PLACES AVAILABLE**
 - ◆ Mr Carruthers After-school Sports Club – Boys/Girls Alternate Weeks (collect from school @ 4.20 pm)
- ⇒ Wednesday –
 - ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
 - ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collect from Swingpump Lane @ 4.45 p.m.)
 - ◆ STIX Percussion (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)
- ⇒ Thursday -
 - ◆ Big Sing Rehearsal Club (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)
 - ◆ Music (Guitar/Keyboard) Tuition throughout the school day

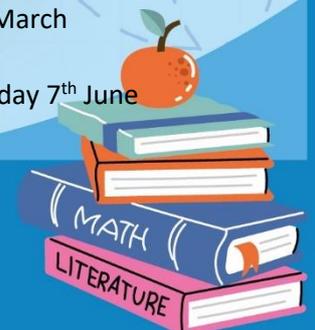
COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Tuesday 5th December – Carol Singing at the Gables care home.
- Friday 8th December - Big Christmas Sing at St James' Church @ 7-9pm £5 per ticket
- Tuesday 12th December – School Nativity (Performances @ 12.45 & 5 p.m.)
- Wednesday 13th December – Christmas Cinema Trip, Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day
- Tuesday 19th December – END OF AUTUMN TERM Christmas Service at St James' Church @ 12.15 p.m.
- Wednesday 3rd January – START OF SPRING TERM

Provisional Dates

- Year 4 Residential – Wednesday 28th February – Friday 1st March
- Year 6 Residential – Tuesday 4th June – Friday 7th June

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