



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

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Newsletter

Well Done

The St. James' Way

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

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

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

- Windermere – Jamie F, Naomi S & Shanzay Z**
- Ullswater – Rhys F**
- Derwentwater – Mackenzie L**
- Bassenthwaite – Nolah T & Sawney H**
- Ennerdale – Conall C**
- Buttermere – Scarlett S**



CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

- Windermere – Archie L, Philippa B, Jensen F & Joseph F**
- Ullswater – Zayn C**
- Derwentwater – All Y5 English Group**
- Bassenthwaite – Halle W & William M**
- Ennerdale – Charlie B**
- Buttermere – Whole Class**



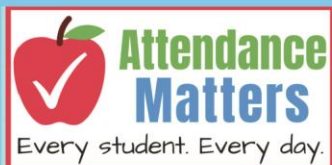
CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week's Catch Me Card winner Harry G, 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: 96.45%

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 Lucas C-F, Billy F & Jamie F.





Hello and welcome to another weekly newsletter. This week I have had the pleasure of visiting six classes to sit in with their maths lessons to observe the children's learning. It is clear that in all classes the children have very skilled teachers, who are supporting their learning extremely well. Coupled with the children's work ethic and enthusiasm it is clear that they will continue to make great progress in maths this year. Well done everyone and keep up the great work! This week in Worship we have been talking about the beauty in the world, and the wonder of creation, including how amazing our human bodies are. We learned that the fastest recorded sneeze clocked in at 165km per hour, it is unclear whether this was an effort from Mr Tyson or not! In our final assembly of the week we gathered to celebrate individual achievements. Mrs Foye held the worship this morning as I was out with the football teams, but it was great for her to pass out certificates for things such as problem-solving skills, impressive techniques in Gymnastics and being a great role model. Well done on another week of following The St James' Way. *Wishing everyone a restful weekend, Mr Beattie*

School Messages, Notices & Reminders

Year 5 & 6 Girls Football - This week was the turn of our Year 5 & 6 Girls Football Teams to represent the school in the newly-established Workington Reds Youth Football Tournament. It was great to see the amount of schools involved across the county, and great to see the enthusiasm and skill shown across all teams. The girls played some awesome football, with some great passing, tackling and plenty of goals for both teams. Our red team won 2 games and were unlucky to lose their quarterfinal on penalties. Our blue team were undefeated going into the semi-finals, but lost penalties as well. All girls felt they followed the St James' Way and, importantly really enjoyed their morning. Well done girls!

Prompt pick up - Can I politely remind parents to be prompt when picking up children at the end of the day at 3.20 p.m. This is so that staff can attend important planning and preparation meetings. Any children not collected on time will be dropped off at afterschool clubs which will incur a charge.

Class Ambassadors - This week our new class ambassadors, who have been elected by their classmates, met for the first time on Monday lunch time. Our focus for this term is improving the wellbeing of everybody at St James'. They spent some time thinking about what we mean by wellbeing and started to come up with some ideas of what we could do. They discovered it is Children's Mental Health Week from the 5th-11th February and they look forward to preparing some things to share with the school during that week.

Our new ambassadors are:

Windermere - Nancy H, Ullswater - Lottie F, Derwentwater - Lauren H
Bassenthwaite - Tait R-E, Ennerdale - Zachary & Buttermere - Grayson P-Y

Junior Church Choir - Reverend Alison and members of the church are starting a Junior Church Choir here in school, from Friday 26th January, at 3.30-4.15pm. There will be a weekly practice in the hope that the choir will sing at the 10 a.m. Parish Communion service on the first Sunday of each month. Anyone interested please let the office know by Wednesday.



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.



Windermere
Brute Force Hackers



Bassenthwaite
Roman Motifs



Ullswater
How Shadows are formed



Yr 5 & 6 Lakes College
Football Tournament

PARKING

As we start a new year, it seems timely to remind parents of our measures in ensuring a safe exit and entrance to school. With the really cold weather, the roads are particularly treacherous so the importance of parents understanding and following these measures are paramount to the safety of all the children. The measures include:

- *Safe driving at reasonable speed when passing past the school
- *Not parking (or dropping off) directly outside the schools in clearly marked areas with bollards
- *Not parking in a way that stops the flow of traffic
- *Not allowing children to pass through our car parks where staff are parking their moving cars. We thank you for your cooperation in providing this safe environment for all children

INTERNET SAFETY

We have been sharing some helpful tips for staying safe online using various platforms – this week is WhatsApp

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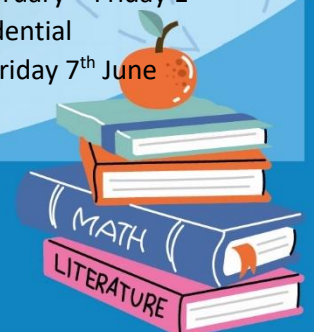
WEEKLY CLUBS

- ⇒ Tuesday—
 - ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collect from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)
 - ◆ 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 -
 - ◆ Music (Guitar/Keyboard) Tuition throughout the school day
- ⇒ Friday -
 - ◆ Church Singing Club **NEW CLUB** (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Monday 26th January - Building and Finance Governors Meeting
- **Monday 12th – Friday 16th February- Half Term**
- from Monday 26th February - Book Fair– days and times TBC
- w/c 19th February – Swimming Windermere
- w/c 26th February - Swimming Ullswater
- w/c 18th March – Swimming Derwentwater
- 5th & 6th March Parents Evening
- Wednesday 28th February – Friday 1st March - Year 4 Residential
- Tuesday 4th June – Friday 7th June Year 6 Residential

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