



“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 – Anna G
- Ullswater – Jack E
- Derwentwater – Lilymae M
- Bassenthwaite – Alfie C
- Ennerdale – Scarlett B, Charlie B & William P
- Buttermere – Halle W & Seth F

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

- Windermere – Jasmine T
- Ullswater – Rhys F
- Derwentwater – Phillipa B & Jenson M
- Bassenthwaite – Tait R-E
- Ennerdale – Paige J & Sammie B
- Buttermere – Macey G, Jakob S
Elsie L & Lottie Y



The St. James' Way

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

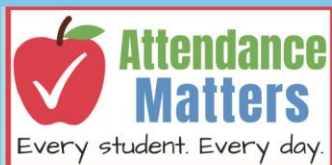
CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week's Catch Me Card winner Thea L, 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:

DERWENTWATER

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

Overall school attendance this week is: 96.29%

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 Aria D & Macey G.





Hello and welcome to our weekly newsletter.

We've had an exciting program of events this week, and plenty of opportunities for learning and fun. This week in worship we have covered themes around St David's Day, and also met with Rev Alison in the church to look at the stations of the cross. Spring is certainly in the air, and it is nice to start looking at the theme of Easter and preparing for this special time in the calendar. This morning we met in our Celebration Assembly to recognise the hard work going on in the classrooms and to celebrate some individual achievements with certificates handed out for superb determination at Robinwood, making excellent progress with learning and being excellent friends.

Wishing everyone a restful weekend, Mr Beattie

School Messages, Notices & Reminders

Parents Evening & Survey – It was great to see parents and families in school this week, looking at pupils work and discussing progress with class teachers. There was plenty of smiles all around which was great, with a few pointers shared to help even further. Thanks also to all who used the QR code to offer some parental feedback in how the school is best supporting your children. If you didn't manage to give your feedback, please follow [this link](#) to the survey. The survey should only take a few minutes but is really important to the school.


Hockey Tournament – Possibly a first, but it was great to send a group of Year 5 & 6 children off to St Benedicts School for an Inter-school Hockey tournament on Tuesday. We played both St Mary's and Monkway, and out of all of the local schools that attended we came third overall. Mrs Begum was very impressed with our efforts, skills and the respectful way we approached the games. Well done everyone

World Book Day – It was great to see the children all dressed up in various costumes and clothing to match book characters yesterday. We had a real giggle! The children enjoyed some book-themed lessons and got a chance to share some books with other children across the classes which is always nice. This year, we held a special challenge with Where's Wally characters hidden across the school with children having to try and count them all. The actual total was 56 Wally's with the winner getting the correct total which was Jack E.

Thank You - Today, we also saw the children in their own clothes. I would like to thank everyone for the Easter Egg donation that will be used for our Egg Tombola in the Easter Fayre. Thank you so much for your generosity. Next week Friday 'dress down' day has a 'fine' for a bottle of any kind: soft drink, alcohol, toiletries. These will be added to our bottle tombola. See details on the other page for dates and times of our Easter Fayre.

Gymnastics - At the end of this term we will be unfortunately finishing our Gymnastics club after school on Tuesday. Thank you to all the children who have attended this school year, we hope it has been enjoyable and that maybe children might continue to do gymnastics outside of school.





Easter Fayre - On Thursday 28th March we will be hosting our annual Easter Fayre. This is our major fundraising event of the year and the money supports the running of the school. In our past Easter Fayre's we have used funds to support the stock of our school library and also used it to purchase equipment for playtimes. Mrs Maiden and school leaders are looking for any parents who feel that they can volunteer any time to help prepare and run the event. We have two more non-uniform days to help gather stock that can be sold during the fayre. We do appreciate that times are hard for all of us at the moment, so any contributions you can afford will be greatly received.

The non-uniform days will be: **Friday 15th March** - A bottle donation for our bottle tombola (anything alcoholic, or toiletries or even soft drinks & cordial) and **Friday 22nd March** - a coloured donation for the class hampers which are our raffle prizes.

Class colours are;

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

As part of our Easter celebrations there will also be a school disco on 20th March. We also invite children to create an egg'cellent' decorated egg and we will showcase all entries at the Easter Fayre, and there will be prizes for some of the most creative entries.



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.



**Ennerdale
 Celebrating
 World Book Day**



**Year 3
 Carnival Masks**



**World Book
 Day**



**Windermere &
 Bassenthwaite Shared
 Reading**

10th March at 10:00am

MOTHERING SUNDAY

A Family Service of Holy Communion



Join us at St. James' Church on High Street, Whitehaven

A SERVICE SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES

POSIES OF FLOWERS TO BE HANDED OUT

There will be a Christian bookstall available after the service
 in the Community Centre, courtesy of Cornerstone Bookshop,
 especially with children in mind

You are welcome here!

LEAVERS HOODIES - For the Year 6 leavers of 2024 you can now order a leavers hoodie through our online shop. Each hoodie will have the school logo embroidered on the front and the number 24 on the back filled with names of all the Yr 6 pupils. Closing date for orders is 19th April and these will arrive towards the end of May. Children traditionally then wear them to school for the rest of the school year, and we look forward to seeing the rainbow of colours they have chosen! The hoodies are priced at £21.38 each. *There are hoodie examples in two sizes in the school office for anyone unsure of sizing.* Here is the link to Schools unique link to the online shop. <https://www.hartlandhoodies.com/school-leavers-hoodies/st-james-c-of-e-junior-school-leavers-hoodies>



WEEKLY CLUBS

⇒ Monday—

- ◆ After School Table Tennis Club at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collect from Swingpump Lane @ 4.30 p.m.)

⇒ Tuesday—

- ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collect 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
- ◆ STIX Percussion (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)

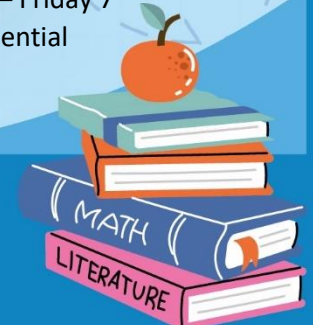
⇒ Thursday -

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

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- 11th March - Pupil progress & welfare Governors meeting
- w/c 18th March – Swimming Derwentwater
- Wednesday 20th March – Easter Disco
- Monday 25th – Full Governors meeting
- Thursday 28th March – Easter Fayre
- **Easter Holidays Friday 29th March – Monday 15th April**
- Tuesday 16th April – Summer term begins
- 19th April – Deadline for ordering Yr6 hoodies
- SATS week w/c 13th May
- 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”