



“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 – All Windermere Yr 6 & Jett H

Ullswater – All Ullswater Yr 6

Derwentwater – All Derwentwater Yr 6 & Mr Carruthers’s Tuesday Club

Bassenthwaite – Louie H

Ennerdale – Joshua G

Buttermere – Rudi T & Aneeqa U



The St. James’ Way

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

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

Windermere – Wilf P

Ullswater – Jacob G

Derwentwater – All staff

Bassenthwaite – Nolah T & William M

Ennerdale – Mr Tyson’s Maths Group

Buttermere – Noah S & Archie S



CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week’s Catch Me Card winner Noah S, 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.

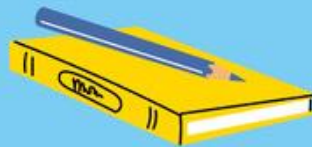


ATTENDANCE WINNERS:

BUTTERMERE

Had top attendance this week

HOMEWORK WINNERS:



BASSENTHWAITE

Will get an extra MUGA day for completing homework this week

Overall School attendance this week is **98.46%**



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 Lottie Y & Jack S.





Hello and welcome to this week's newsletter. We have had a very busy week and been celebrating today that the Year 6 students have successfully navigated their SATs week. They showed a really positive approach during the build-up, and have learnt valuable lessons about the importance of preparation. It was great seeing their reaction to completing their final test on Thursday, and they can now look forward to some brilliant rewards and experiences to round off their time at St James'. This started this afternoon with a well-earned treat in the form of a Hartley's ice cream in the sunshine, which is a lovely St James' tradition we look forward to every year. They have also received their leavers hoodies and we look forward to seeing them wear them. I would like to thank everyone for their efforts, including Mrs McIntyre who came in early to prepare bacon and sausage sandwiches for the students. I would also like to thank the students and staff in Year 3, 4 and 5 who were really quiet all week to allow the Year 6 children the concentrate to do their best. A great example of how we grow and learn together at school.

Due to the SATs we haven't been able to hold our daily assemblies this week, but it was nice coming together for our weekly celebration assembly and hand out certificates for producing excellent work, completing tricky work and trying hard with handwriting. Well done to Bassenthwaite for a big increase in their efforts on weekly homework.

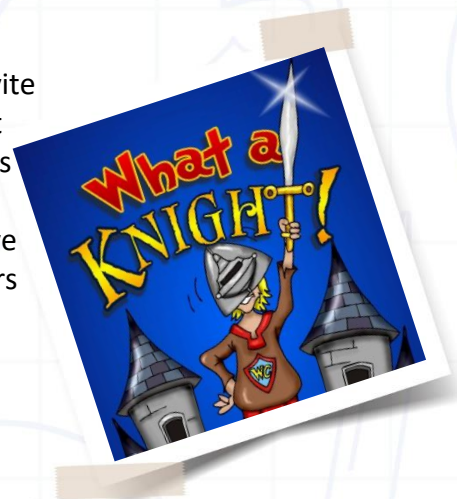
Enjoy a restful weekend, Mr Beattie

School messages, Notices & Reminders

Family Hub – This week myself and Mrs Foye went down to see Nadia and Jess at the newly formed Family Hub. This is a brilliant service aimed to support families and children from 0-19. The hub is based in the old Barclays bank, by Whitehaven Harbour. I have attached the menu of help and services that are happening over the next 3 weeks, but Jess Stamper, who is coordinating the service is really keen to offer an open invitation, and is keen for families to drop in. Around the centre you will see a space for toddlers to play, for mums/dads to have a cuppa, or for teenagers to come in and socialise. The staff there are also on hand to help direct services for any needs you may have. Well worth taking Jess up on her invitation and going in for a look around.

Year 6 Summer Production & Shropshire Residential – The focus of Year 6 now turns to preparing for some great experiences and forming of lasting memories. The children have already been getting to grips with our Summer Production of 'What a Knight' held at the Whitehaven Civic hall on Thursday 4th July. Children have started auditioning today, and casting will be agreed by Miss Pool and Mr Carruthers next week with scripts handed out. Next week we also invite parents (and children if they want to come along) to a meeting about our Year 6 Shropshire Residential on Tuesday 21st May at 3.30 p.m. As part of the talk we will be going over; departure and arrival times, kit lists, and most importantly talking through the great itinerary we have planned. Staff attending the trip this year are Mrs Foye, Mr Carruthers and Miss Pool, and they will be on hand to answer any questions or queries you may have.

School Meals Menu Summer 2 Term – After a really useful discussion with some of the children regarding school meals, Mrs McIntyre has tweaked our menu after half term (attached) and we hope that the children will like some of the new options and perhaps encourage children to try something new.



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 6 Maths Revision



Bassenthwaite –
Conductors & Insulators



Forest School



Ullswater
Practical Circuits

PENTECOST SERVICE

This Sunday our St James' families are invited to attend the Pentecost Family Communion Service at 10am. Where one of our pupils will be getting baptised and some of our pupils will be making their first communion.



SWIMMING BLOCKS

A reminder that Bassenthwaite are swimming next week. Please find additional information on the [Better website](#) about swimming. A reminder that children will require a full swimming kit with them every day during their swimming week.

NEXT WEEKS SCHOOL DINNERS

Next week there are a few slight changes to the publicised menu – it will be a Roast Chicken dinner on Wednesday (instead of Minced Beef) and it will be Tomato & Basil Pasta on Friday (instead of Macaroni Cheese). **All pre-orders have therefore had to be removed from the system for these days**, so please have a look and re-order at home, or children can order in registration and all accounts will be credited.

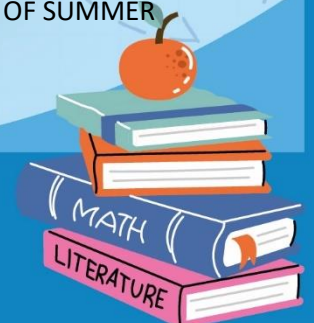
WEEKLY CLUBS

- ⇒ Wednesday –
 - ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
 - ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 4) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project
 - ◆ Year 5 & 6 Cricket Club – (Collect from school @ 4.15 pm)
- ⇒ Thursday -
 - ◆ Music (Guitar/Keyboard) Tuition throughout the school day

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- w/c 20th May – Bassenthwaite Swimming week
- Tuesday 21st May – Yr 6 Residential Parents Meeting (school hall) @ 3.30 p.m.
- Tuesday 4th June – Friday 7th June - Year 6 Residential
- Monday 24th June – Yr 2 Parents Meeting (school hall) @ 2.00 p.m.
- Thursday 4th July – Summer Production
- Wednesday 10th July – School Disco
- Monday 15th July – School Sports Day
- Friday 19th July – END OF SUMMER TERM

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