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*"With exploring minds, and faith, we achieve our challenging goals."*

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## *Welcome to this week's newsletter*

### **PUPILS OF THE WEEK**

The children have made a fantastic start to the year and have all been working extremely hard.

Here are our Pupils of the Week.

Class 1 - Eva F and Jamie P

Class 2 - Preston M

Class 3 - Adam K and Charlotte D

Class 4 - Luke R

Class 5 - Catie M, Livvy R, Sophia L, Jacob W and William T

Class 6 - Zara R and Joe T

Class 7 - Finley M and Taylor C

Mr Beattie - Luke R

Playtime - Sophie M



### **HOUSE TEAMS**

Cat Bells are this week's winners with 117 points

### **ACCELERATED READERS OF THE WEEK**

Class 1 - Alice T

Class 2 - Alfie S

Class 3 - Izhaar F

Class 4 - Katie R

Class 5 - Keir M

Class 6 - Olivia C

Class 7 - Olivia B

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 weeks winner was Catie McN. So far our school have read **1,928,755** words this year.

### **Attendance winners:**

**Class 4 and 7 have top**

**attendance this week with**

**100% and will**

**receive an extra play-time.**

**Overall school**

**attendance this is week:**

**98.14%**

## Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge 2018

Congratulations to Aiden C, Maigan M, Elizabeth S, Abigail A and Katie and Isabelle R on their Summer Reading Challenge. The Summer Reading Challenge takes place every year during the Summer holidays. To complete their challenge they each had to read 6 books. Well done everyone!



## E-Safety Talk



Mark Fishpool came in to share a discussion on how to keep safe online and gave excellent advice using the Zip it, Block It, Flag It, scheme. I was very impressed with the children's understanding of how to stay safe online, but I felt that it was really useful getting many reminders about how to protect yourself while using youtube, social media or surfing the web. Thanks Mark for offering the time to come in.

## Years 3,4,5 Flu Nasal Spray - NHS Cumbria Partnership

Consent forms have been sent out regarding Flu Immunisation. We are still a few forms outstanding, please can these be sent to school as soon as possible.

The nurses will be in school on Monday 5th November to vaccinate children.



## Parents Open Morning

Thank you to all parents who attended the Parents Morning. I know that the children were all excited to work alongside you and hopefully you found it an informative insight. The feedback from many parents was that there had been many positive changes in the way we teach times tables compared to the



'olden days'. When we were at school. Look out for news of another parent workshop happening next term.



## Reading volunteers

Can you offer any spare time to listen to our children read?

Last year we developed a team of volunteers to listen to our children read. This had a really positive impact on children's confidence.

If you can commit some time on a Wed or Thursday afternoon, we'd love to hear from you!



**Sad News** –It was with a sad heart that I announce to families of St James Juniors that a local man from Albert Terrace, Sam Coulter sadly passed away this week. Sam was well known by the local community as the friendly man on the step that has waved to children and families of St James for 3 generations or more. I know many parents of the school who attended here remember chatting with him about their school days and have since introduced their own children to Sam. We have spoken to the family of Mr Coulter about forming a collection on behalf of the school. Parents are able to pay an open donation via a link on Parent Mail Payments named: Sam Coulter Donation. The family have requested that funds raised should be donated to St James' Church.

**Harvest Festival**—We hope that all families and friends that joined us today at St James' Church enjoyed our joint Harvest Service . It was great to see children and families of both schools come together to enjoy singing, dancing and sharing some of the work the children have completed on the Harvest Topic. Watch out for photographs of the service on the school website.

**NEW EXIT PROCEDURES**—As from Monday 8th October we are making changes to our exit procedures at the end of the school day. Parents will gather:

In the lodge courtyard for Class 1 (Mrs Gracey) & Class 7 (Mrs Sharkie)

On the front playground for Class 2 (Mr Tyson), Class 3 (Mrs Kitchin) and Class 4 (Mr Carruthers)

At the School Gazebo around the back of the school for Class 6 (Mrs Foye) and Class 5 (Mr King)

Staff members will be on the yard to direct parents to the appropriate exits on Monday and Tuesday to help any parents uncertain of locations. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

## **After School Activities taking place this half term ...**

- ◆ **Guitar Group Yr 5 & 6 Monday afternoon**
- ◆ **Guitar Group Yr 3 & 4 Thursday afternoon**
- ◆ **Keyboard Group—All year groups Friday morning**
- ◆ **Y3/4 Basketball Class 5/6 10th October— 31st October**
- ◆ **Gymnastics Year 5/6 Monday afterschool pick up at Whitehaven Sports Centre 4pm**

As ever, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about any aspect of school life.

Mr Beattie



## Key Dates

- Monday 8th October - Governor's Building and Finance Meeting 3.30pm-5.00pm
- Monday 22nd October - Friday 26th October – Half term
- Tue/wed 6th/7th November—Parents Evenings
- Monday 19th November - Pupil Progress + Welfare Governors Committee
- Monday 17th December Full Governors
- Tuesday 18th December Nativity
- Friday 21st December—The Big Christmas Sing

Wk 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>CHOICE 1</b>	Margarita/chicken pizza with chips and peas	Meatballs in gravy with pasta and cauliflower	Roast pork dinner with stuffing, Yorkshire pudding, potatoes and carrots/broccoli	Sausage roll with diced potatoes and mixed veg	Fish fingers with potato wedges and baked beans
<b>CHOICE 2</b>	Tuna pasta bake and bread roll	Vegetable/cheese bakes with pasta/diced potatoes and cauliflower	Vegetarian roast dinner with Yorkshire pudding, stuffing and boiled/roast potatoes	Cheese/onion roll with diced potatoes and mixed veg	Salmon nibbles with potato wedges and baked beans
<b>CHOICE 3</b>	Jacket potato	Cheese/ham baguette with pasta and cauliflower *fillings may differ	Jacket potato	Sausage baguette with diced potatoes and mixed veg *fillings may differ	Jacket potato
<b>DESSERT</b>	Plain sponge and custard	Spiced chocolate brownie	Golden krispy	Apple crumble and custard	Grasmere gingerbread or cake selection

If you have any questions about food allergens, please phone us to speak to the kitchen team who will be happy to provide more information.