



# St James' Church of England Junior School

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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 - Dominic B and Matty C

Class 2 - Kacey - Leigh M and Ben C

Class 3 - Alfie G and Taylor C

Class 4 - Layla R and Kiera M

Class 5 - Bailey M and Anya N

Class 6 - Elizabeth S and Olivia C

Class 7 - Imogen F and Keaton L

Mr Beattie - Isaac W

Playtime -

### MATHS MASTER

Class 1 - Morgan L

Class 2 - Charlotte B

Class 3 - Jack B

Class 4 - Finn M

Class 5 - Ross P

Class 6 - Keir M

Class 7 - Adam K

### HOUSE TEAMS

Melbreak are this week's winners with 80 points

### ACCELERATED READERS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Isla M

Class 2 - Daniel E

Class 3 - Imogen S

Class 4 - Alysha D

Class 5 - Melissa S

Class 6 - Livvy R

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 Mason. So far our school have read **5,679,047** words this year.

### Attendance winners:

**Class 2** have top attendance this week with

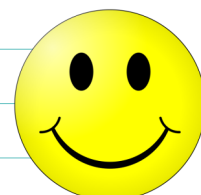
**99.5%** and will receive an extra play-time.

**Overall school attendance this is week:**

**96.23%**

Well done to the following children for completing their Award Cards this week:

Bronze Award: Bradley T, Adam K



## **Poppies**

The school is proud to support the work of The British Legion Poppy Fund once again this year.

A team of Year 6 volunteers will be selling poppies and merchandise on the school yard over the next couple of weeks.

Merchandise includes rulers, rubbers and other items ranging from 50p to £1.



## **Sing Squad**



Letters will go out on Monday week for our annual Sing Squad Club. This club will be ran every Thursday after school, (starting Thur 8th Nov) until 4:15 and will be led by Rev Jackson.

The children will work on a number of Christmas Songs to prepare for a special event we will be holding in December called 'The Big Christmas Sing'.

We have some very talented singers at St James' who have been really impressing me in our weekly Hymn practice so I'm hopeful that many will sign up for this club.

## **Bibles**

Thank you to Rev Rob Jackson who came in this week to talk to the children about All Saints Day.

He also brought along the last bibles for some of our newer arrivals in school meaning that every child is now the owner of their own Bible.

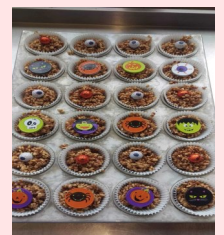


To celebrate Bonfire Night we will be hosting a special Bonfire Inspired Menu on Monday.

This will be included in the weekly price for all of the children on Hot Dinners, but we are also opening it up to children who ordinarily would be on packed lunches.

The menu includes Bangers in a roll, Catherine wheels, Jacket potatoes and toffee apple muffins for dessert. If you would like your child to have the meal on Monday, then a one-off payment of £2.20 can be ordered on Parent Mail.

This week the children enjoyed a spooky Halloween treat and fed back that they loved the chocolate spiders!!



## 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!



## Football

Today our Year 5/6 boys competed in the \*West Cumbrian Primary Schools Tournament at the home of Whitehaven Amateurs.

The appetite for football in the school is fantastic and we were pleased that the tournament organisers allowed us to enter 3 teams in the competition, so that more than 20 children could play. The teams all played fantastically well and Mrs Kitchin, Mrs Glaister and parents all informed me that they conducted themselves in a very sporting manner and really enjoyed the day. All the teams played really well with some uncertainty in who the overall winners were. However, you could argue football is the winner as all enjoyed it!! Well done Boys—you did the school proud.

Well done kids, next week is the turn of the Year 5/6 girls team (add 3 pics of each team C Glaister).



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

- ◆ **Lego Clun—Mopnday after school**
- ◆ **Guitar Group Yr 5 & 6 Monday afternoon**
- ◆ **Guitar Group Yr 3 & 4 Thursday afternoon**
- ◆ **Keyboard Group—All year groups Friday morning**
- ◆ **Gymnastics Year 5/6 Monday afterschool pick up at Whitehaven Sports Centre 4pm**
- ◆ **Sing Squad—Thur after school**

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

Mr Beattie



## Key Dates

- 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 1            | MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  |
|-----------------|---|---|--|---|---|
| <b>CHOICE 1</b> | Bangers in a roll (pork/vegi sausage in a roll)   | Cumberland/vegi sausage with mashed potatoes, gravy and sweetcorn               | Chicken dinner with Yorkshire pudding, stuffing, boiled and roast potatoes, cauliflower and broccoli | Meat and potato pie/vegi meat and potato pie with roast potatoes and carrots    | Fish cakes with potato wedges and peas  |
| <b>CHOICE 2</b> | Catherine Wheels (mashed potato with cheese, layered over puff pastry, then rolled and sliced like a wheel) | Shepherd's pie/Vegetarian Shepherd's pie with diced potatoes and sweetcorn      | Quorn roast with Yorkshire pudding, stuffing, boiled and roast potatoes, cauliflower and broccoli    | Salmon nibbles with roast potatoes and carrots                                  | Tomato and basil pasta with bread roll and peas                                 |
| <b>CHOICE 3</b> | Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings  | Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings<br>> Cheese<br>> Beans<br>> Tuna | Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings<br>> Cheese<br>> Beans<br>> Tuna                      | Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings<br>> Cheese<br>> Beans<br>> Tuna | Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings<br>> Cheese<br>> Beans<br>> Tuna |
| <b>DESSERT</b>  | Toffee apple muffins/Yoghurts/Fruit/Cheese crackers   | Flapjack and custard  | Fruit cookie   | Jelly and ice cream   | Fruit muffin 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.**