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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 all been working extremely hard this week. Here are our Pupils of the Week-

Class 1 - Evan C, Kai S & Jack B

Class 2 - Lexi S

Class 3 - Amy A & Leo F

Class 4 - Solomon D & Jenny M

Class 5—Jamie F & Tia K

Class 6 - Issie A & Jacob G



Spelling Shed Superstars

Class 1 - Olivia C

Class 2 - Bethan A

Class 3 - Kate H

Class 4 - Fletcher M

Class 5 - Raine P

Class 6 - Freddie J



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 Solomon D & Archie L

Attendance winners:

Class 3 had top attendance this week and will receive an extra MUGA day.
Overall school attendance this week is: 96.25%

Including Covid-19 absence

Timestable Rockstars

Maths Class 1 - Harry A

Maths Class 2 - Ava L

Maths Class 3 - Aiden P

Maths Class 4 - Harry B

Maths Class 5 - Eden E

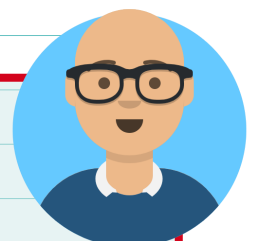
Maths Class 6 - Rory W



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

Mr Beattie





Good afternoon Parents, I write to you after just hosting our weekly Celebration Assembly and it seems a fitting time to speak to you about the achievements of our amazing students this week. Each week the teachers look to hand out certificates to children who continue to try hard and improve their efforts with homework including spelling, times tables and reading. We continue to offer thanks to families for their collective efforts in supporting with this home learning. Each week staff nominate children for Pupil of The Week

Certificates and it was great to hear teachers recount so many positive things about our students, including: how children show compassion to one another; show outstanding attitudes to learning; and how they persevere and excel in lessons ranging from negative numbers to dealing with our global plastic crisis. The children at St James' are passionate about these big global issues and we are sure that our School Ambassadors, who met this week, will fulfil plans to address an issue on school, local or a global scale. I had the pleasure of meeting them for lunch this week and they are such a great bunch that I know they'll achieve great things this term.

I hope you enjoy reading through the articles we've shared in this weeks newsletter and I wish you a restful weekend.



Road Safety—We have had some worrying reports from parents and local residents of near misses on the roads around school, involving our children. Road safety has been covered as part of the National Curriculum since the children were very young. We will continue to talk to them in school about the issue in forums such as assemblies, but it is also worth parents helping to get the message across to children about how important

it is to be safe on the roads, especially those children who are walking away from school by themselves.

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) has a useful guide for helping parents to help teach children about road safety— <https://www.rospa.com/media/documents/road-safety/teaching-road-safety-a-guide-for-parents.pdf>

Harvest Festival— Thank you to everyone for the very generous donations for the North Lakes Food Bank.

They will be collecting our collection on Monday and we hope that it will help support local families in need.



School Ambassadors—We had the first lunchtime meeting of our Class Ambassadors this week. Each term children will be chosen from each class and they will have the opportunity to work on a project which looks to improve either the school, local community or the world! We look forward to hearing what they have decided to focus on this term.

Music Tuition—All children have had their initial sessions with our Music Teachers and lessons will be starting next week. Everyone should have had a text from the office and have access to the relevant payments items on SchoolMoney. If you do not have a payment item showing on your account, but your child wants to learn an instrument, then please contact the office.

Pokemon & Football Cards & Fidget Toys—Unfortunately there are an increasing amount of Pokemon/Football cards along with an array fidget and popper toys being brought into school. Although we have seen children enjoying playing with them at playtimes, they are now starting to cause disruption in class and also upset to the children if they are lost or swapped. From Monday, we will ask for these items not to be brought into school, any items will be taken off the children and given back to parents. Thank you for your understanding.



Year 5 Residential—We seem to have had most of the slips back now for the Year 5 residential and payment items are available on SchoolMoney. If you do not have a payment item showing on your account, but your child wants to go, then please contact the office.



The Rigorous Ramble—As part of our Children in Need support this year we are hoping to organise a whole school ramble to Latrigg, Nr Keswick inspired by BBC One's Countryfile team. The children will be sponsored to climb the fell, with all the proceeds going to Children In Need and we also hope to have some time to play in Fitz Park and maybe even an ice-cream if the sun is shining. We have pencilled in the dates of the 4th or 5th November, more details nearer the time, but wanted to let parents and children know about this exciting event we have coming up (Cumbrian weather permitting!)

Here are links to some activities which have been happening in school this week (click on pictures) -



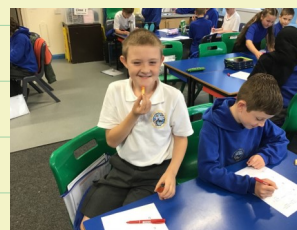
Breakfast Judo Club



Our Prayer Space



Class 5 'Aiming for a target'



Class 1 'Learning about being Healthy'

Check out some of the other [galleries](#) showing the children learning and exploring a range of different topics. Check out your child's [class page](#) here.

Coming up at St James' this half term-

- Monday 11th October—Full Governors Meeting
- Wednesday 13th October—Class 6 visit to the Sea Bins Whitehaven Harbour*
- Monday 18th October—Building & Finance Governors Meeting
- Wednesday 20th October—Class 4 visit to the Sea Bins Whitehaven Harbour*

Thursday 21st October—Class 5 visit to the Sea Bins Whitehaven Harbour*

**The Whitehaven Harbour Sea Bin visits will be within school time and be part of an Art Project (there is no charge or special arrangements required, but all children should make sure they bring coats with them)*

After Half Term—

- Thursday 4th or Friday 5th November—The Rigorous Ramble with Rev Robert? *Weather dependent*
- Thursday 11th & Friday 12th November—Year 5 Residential to Winmarleigh

Weekly Clubs & Activities

- ⇒ Monday – Guitar Tuition* (Year 5 & 6) & Afterschool Maths Tuition (3.30-4.15)
- ⇒ Tuesday—Year 3 & 4 After School Cricket Club—3.10—4.15 p.m., Keyboard Tuition* (All Year Groups—starting 21st Sept) & Afterschool Maths Tuition (3.30-4.15)
- ⇒ Wednesday – Judo Breakfast Club (Year 3 & 4), Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project Adventure Club until 4.45 p.m. (Collection from Swingpump Lane) & Afterschool Maths Tuition (3.30-4.15)
- ⇒ Thursday - Guitar Tuition* (Year 3 & 4) & Afterschool Maths Tuition (3.30-4.15)
- ⇒ Friday - Mr Carruthers' Tennis Club (Years 5 & 6) (3.15-4.15)

