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

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Welcome to this week's newsletter

The children have made a fantastic start to the year. All children have been working extremely hard with some going that extra mile to achieve a Pupil of the Week Certificate.

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Alfie G, Imogen F

Class 2 - Matthew K

Class 3 - Gio C, Owen B

Class 4 - Michael G

Class 5 - Charlie H, Chloe W

Class 6 - Evie C

Class 7 - Sonny H



HOUSE TEAMS

Scafell have taken the lead this week with 156 points.



Catch-me-card winners

Lots of children were again 'caught' doing something particularly helpful over the lunchtimes and playtime this week.

Well done to all Catch-me-card winners.

The 6 winners that were drawn out of the prize drawer were:

- ◆ Charlie H – for learning a new skill
- ◆ Logan C – for being kind on the yard
- ◆ Oliver F – for having fantastic behaviour at lunchtime
- ◆ Grace H – for being really sensible in the dining hall
- ◆ Oscar McG – for lining up sensibly at the end of lunch
- ◆ Alis W – for helping others in the dinner hall

Attendance Winners:

Class 6 have top attendance this week with 100%

**Overall school attendance
98.08%**

**Minutes lost to lateness
0**

Foodbank

This week we were lucky to have Emma join us for our Tuesday Collective Worship. She spoke to the children about the journey of a tin and talked through the amount of people that benefit from the charity. The children had the chance to ask questions about the work the charity does. Emma liked coming to school so much that she sent us a nice note that has gone up in our Reception, and promised to visit us again soon.



'Foodbank doesn't just help people in Whitehaven, but it helps people all over the county' ~ Abigail S

'I learnt about the order of where the can went. First they go to the sorting factory, parcels are made and then they go to help people' ~ Ella C



Harvest Festival—Monday 3rd October 9.30am in St James' Church

Myself and Mrs Eaton would like to offer a warm welcome to all parents of Yr3, 5, 6 (Y4 will be at the swimming pool) to our Harvest Festival on Monday morning. The half-hour service will begin at 9:30am prompt and involve a range of songs, poems and stories from the children.

A school representative will be taking photos of the event which will be shared on our respective websites. We ask that parents do not take additional photos in the church and ask that no pictures of the event are uploaded to social media. Thank you for your kind cooperation.

Thank you for all of your kind donations, our display looks amazing. There is still time to donate items for the Foodbank—please see the list of things they are really short of. Please bring them into school on Monday morning and place them in our harvest donation area in the hall.

We especially need some 'Bags for Life' to help the Foodbank when distributing the food.



Harvest Shopping List

- * Tinned tomatoes
- * Baked beans
- * Tea bags 40s
- * Milk UHT full fat
- * Fruit Juice UHT 1lt
- * Sugar small bag
- * Tinned meat
- * Sponge Pudding
- * Tinned Fish
- * Tinned Fruit
- * Tinned Veg
- * Coffee
- * Biscuits/Cereal Bars
- * Pasta
- * Pasta Sauce
- * Jam
- * Smash
- * 1 Bag for Life



React Science Show - Glorious Blood!

On Thursday all of year 5 & 6 went to the Lakes College to enjoy a science show hosted by the Science Museum in London. It was a fantastic experience and we all learned lots about blood and what it does. Patrick M and Katie E were the stars of the show and helped with the demonstrations.

School Council

This week the school council met to discuss the work they would like to carry out this year. The group got to know each other better, elect a chair (Ella) and vice chair (Nate), and agreed to support the Bright Stars Initiative.

Look out for further news from the school council.



School Library - A thank you to Grace H and Emi-Leigh R for helping organise the library and make a display using inspirational quotes.

You've made the library an even more enjoyable place to read.



Music Tuition

Auditions for Y3 children for Guitar and Keyboard lessons begin next week and your child should have brought a letter home on Friday with more information.

Please return your reply slip by Monday morning so that we can co-ordinate the auditions with Mr Curzon and Mr Bartholemew.



We also have a few spaces in Guitar and Keyboard lessons for children in Y4, 5 & 6. If your child would like to begin to have lessons in either (or both) instruments, please contact the school office on Monday and we can arrange an audition.

As ever, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about any aspect of school life. Have a great weekend and see you on Monday.



Staff Vacancy—Clerk to the Governing Body

Payscale point 11 - £15,507—£15,823 per annum pro rata – (£8.04 - £8.20 per hour) for approximately 45 hours per annum.

The Governors wish to appoint a Clerk to the Governors to provide administrative support to the Governing Body. The full Governing Body and statutory committees meet each term, which equates to approximately 9 meetings each academic year. The meetings take place in the evenings between 5pm—7.30pm. and the agenda and minutes can be done from home but also from the school office if preferred.

This position is an important role within the life and day to day operation of the school, and would suit someone with experience or an interest in business and admin.

If you are interested in finding out more about this post, please contact Mrs Bragg for an informal chat or email the school for further details and an application form.

The closing date for applications: **Monday 10th October 2016**

Interviews will be held: **Friday 14th October 2016**

Key Dates

Monday weekly, last session 10th Oct: Y6 WHYP Water Activities ASC

Tuesday weekly, first session 27th Sept, last session 15th Nov: Y5&6 WHYP Table Tennis ASC

Wed weekly, last session 19th Oct: Y6 Football ASC with Carlisle coaches

Monday 3rd Oct: Harvest Festival joint service with Infant School to be held in church.

Mon 10th Oct and Tues 11th Oct: Y5 and 6 visit to Tullie House

Mon 17th Oct: Governors' Buildings & Finance committee meeting, 5pm

Tues 18th Oct: Gripping Yarns production in school— 'Place of Safety'

Fri 21st Oct: Parent Open Afternoon

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1	Beef, cheese or vegetarian burger in a bun with potato wedges and baked beans	Steak pie with mash, sweetcorn and cabbage	Spaghetti or vegetarian bolognaise with garlic bread and peas	Chicken served with Yorkshire puddings, potatoes, broccoli, carrots and stuffing	Pepperoni or cheese & tomato pizza with chips and baked beans
CHOICE 2	Fish fingers with potato wedges and baked beans	Salmon fillet in wholemeal crumb served with mash, sweetcorn and cabbage	Gammon with pineapple and vegetable rice	Vegetarian roast dinner with Yorkshire pudding, potatoes, broccoli, carrots and stuffing	Lentil soup and a sandwich
CHOICE 3	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with potato wedges	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled tortilla wrap with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Ham served with vegetable rice	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna > Beans	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese > Tuna
DESSERT	Shortbread and custard	Chocolate crunch and custard	Fruit sponge and custard	Chocolate muffin	Fruit salad and cream/ice cream