With exploring minds, and faith; we grow and learn together

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PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The children have all been working extremely hard this week. Here are our Pupils of the Week

Windermere – Kieran H & Lauren H Ullswater – Rhvs F & Javden G Derwentwater - Lilia T & Sophia Renesmee W Bassenthwaite - Alfie C & Jem B Ennerdale - Paige J Buttermere - Jack H



The St. James' Way

- √ Be Kind
- Be Respectful
- **Give Your All**

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

Windermere – Jensen F Ullswater - Logan T & Anna G Derwentwater – Harry G Bassenthwaite - Emily B & Sawney H Ennerdale - Daniel P & Zachary H Buttermere - Mila R & Talitha M



CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week's Catch Me Card winner Raven Q, 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.



THANK YOU

to all the Librarians. Lunchtime Hall Helpers, **Tuck Shop Volunteers** and Craze It Crew who have helped this week!



ATTENDANCE WINNERS:

ENNERDALE

had top attendance this week and will get an extra MUGA day.

Overall school attendance this week is: 94.98%

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 Archie S & Seth F.





Hello and welcome to this weeks newsletter. It was a stormy start to the week, but the weather settled, allowing us all to learn and play together with friends. Preparations for Christmas continue in lower school with parts being shared amongst our Year3/4 classes and it was great to see some students give their first solos to an audience during whole school rehearsals. Special thanks to 'Christmas Cathy' who came in to help us rehearse our Christmas songs with our Christmas choir, ready for performances in the church and local care homes during December.

As well as the jingle-jangle of Christmas music we have also found plenty of time for great learning in the class with lots of positives shared by class teachers in this week's Celebration Assembly. Certificates were handed out to individuals who had demonstrated massive improvement in homework and working hard to use new techniques in their learning this week. Wishing you a restful weekend, Mr Beattie

School Messages, Notices & Reminders

Forest School - Mrs Brown joined me this week with our forest school group - Forest United! We had a great session with Emma, where the children enjoyed various tasks such as Conker crafts, slack lining, den building and muddy forest kitchen. As well as this, many of the group felt brave enough to light their own small fires. It took plenty of perseverance and endurance to stick with it, but everyone who picked up the steel and flint were able to finally get a small fire going. The session finished off with some warm chocolate and juice drinks. Thank you as always to Emma for running the session.

Children in Need Day - It was great to see the children in their Pudsey-based clothing/pyjamas today to raise money for Children in Need. The school raised over £170, which will be sent in to include in tonight's total. Well done everyone for getting in the spirit.

Nativity Charity — As in previous years, St James' Church will be once again hanging their upside-down Christmas Tree — The Tree of Hope, in the church this year. If you would like to hang a 'tag' on the tree, for a small donation, with hopes for the future or maybe in memory of a loved one, labels will be available from the school office for hopes and prayers to be written on, which can then be hung on the tree. All donations go to the Special Care Baby Unit, at West Cumberland Hospital.

Library Books – Following recent fundraising events in school, including the recent Halloween disco, we have started to purchase some new books and today got a delivery of new books for our 'orange' section. We hope that children will enjoy reading some new stories and adventures and thank everyone for support during all of these events.

Year 4 Timestables Check – The Department of Education have issued some parental guidance this week which we thought would be useful to share with parents of Year 4 who take the check in the Summer term -

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6543c1ef9e05fd0014be7c64/2024 Information for parents Multiplication tables check PDFA v1.1.pdf







Gallery

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

Check out all of the other <u>galleries</u> showing the children learning and exploring a range of different topics.

Check out your child's <u>class page</u> here.



Ennerdale Wire Sculptures



Year 6 Maths BODMAS Graffiti



Forest School



Windermere Street Dance

SEESAW FAMILY CLASS LINKS -

Bassenthwaite (Mrs Pickering) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/737-215-145

Buttermere (Miss A Pool) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/729-581-752

Derwentwater (Mr Carruthers) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/130-459-812

Ennerdale (Mr Tyson) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/441-593-454

Ullswater (Mrs Foye) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/214-349-521

Windermere (Miss L Pool) - https://app.seesaw.me/s/992-502-386

NATIVITY SONGS

Keep practicing our Nativity songs



https://www.stjamesjun.cumbria.sch.uk/work/nativity -songs/85896

WEEKLY CLUBS

- ⇒ Tuesday—
- ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collect from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)
- Mr Carruthers After-school Sports Club

 Boys/Girls Alternate Weeks (collect from school @ 4.20 pm)
- ⇒ Wednesday
 - ♦ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
- ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collect from Swingpump Lane @ 4.45 p.m.)
- STIX Percussion (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)
- ⇒ Thursday -
- ◆ Big Sing Rehearsal Club (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)
- Music (Guitar/Keyboard) Tuition throughout the school day

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Tuesday 12th December School Nativity (Performances @ 12.45 & 5 p.m.)
- Friday 8th December Big Christmas Sing at St James' Church @7-9pm £5 per ticket
- Wednesday 13th December Christmas
 Cinema Trip, Christmas Jumper & Dinner Day
- Tuesday 19th December END OF AUTUMN TERM Christmas Service at St James' Church @ 12.15 p.m.
- Wednesday 3rd January START OF SPRING TERM

Provisional Dates

- Year 4 Residential Wednesday 28th February – Friday 1st March
- Year 6 Residential Tuesday 4th June – Friday 7th June

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