



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

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# Newsletter

## Well Done

### PUPILS OF THE WEEK

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

- Windermere – Layla O
- Ullswater – Riven H
- Derwentwater – Jett H
- Year 3 – Nolah T & Koby B



### The St. James' Way

- ✓ Be Kind
- ✓ Be Respectful
- ✓ Give Your All

### CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

- Windermere – Nancy H
- Ullswater – Theo M & Nate H
- Derwentwater – David D
- Year 3 – Jack S



### CATCH ME CARDS WINNER

Well done to this week's Catch Me Card winner Shanzay Z, 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: 96.73%

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 Riven H & Conall C.





Welcome to our weekly newsletter. We have had a different feel in school this week with the majority of Year 4 away on their residential. This has given an opportunity for our Year 3 classes to come together as one and enjoy learning side by side with friends from other classes. This morning we were greeted with some icy conditions, but it was warming to see the children arrive in school, and despite the challenges carry on with important learning. Thank you to parents for your efforts dealing with the tricky roads and pavements, also to staff for helping clear a safe path across the yard. Some of us staff may have a future in the GB Curling team?! This morning we gathered as a school to recognise individual achievement, and hand out certificates to our weekly winners. Well done children and staff in continuing to show The St James' Way in everything you do.

*Wishing everyone a restful weekend, Mr Beattie*

## School Messages, Notices & Reminders

**Book Fair** – Thank you parents and children for your support with our annual Scholastic Book Fair. Our team of Nancy, Eden, Raine and Clara did a sterling job in running the fair, and hopefully children went away with some exciting new books. The school will have earned some money, that will be used to buy our prize books that we hand out to winners every Friday. On the topic of books, please see links for easy World Book Day costumes you can pull together at home at no/little cost. We're looking forward to seeing you all next Thursday to join in some World Book Day fun – [costume ideas](#).



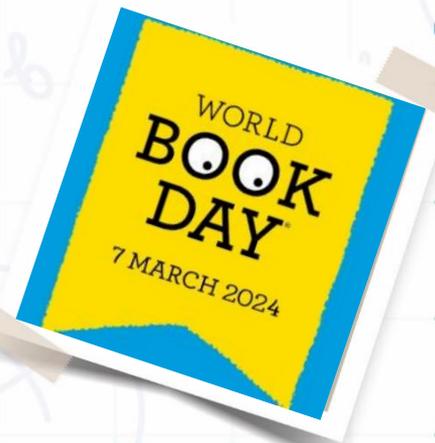
**Church Visits** – A special thanks go out this week to Deacon Kina Saunders from Western Fells Methodist Church and Major Stephen from The Salvation Army, who this week came in to share some history about their churches and discuss similarities and differences with how St James' Church of England serves its community. Thank you also to Rev Alison for your help in arranging these connections that hopefully can create learning opportunities between the churches.

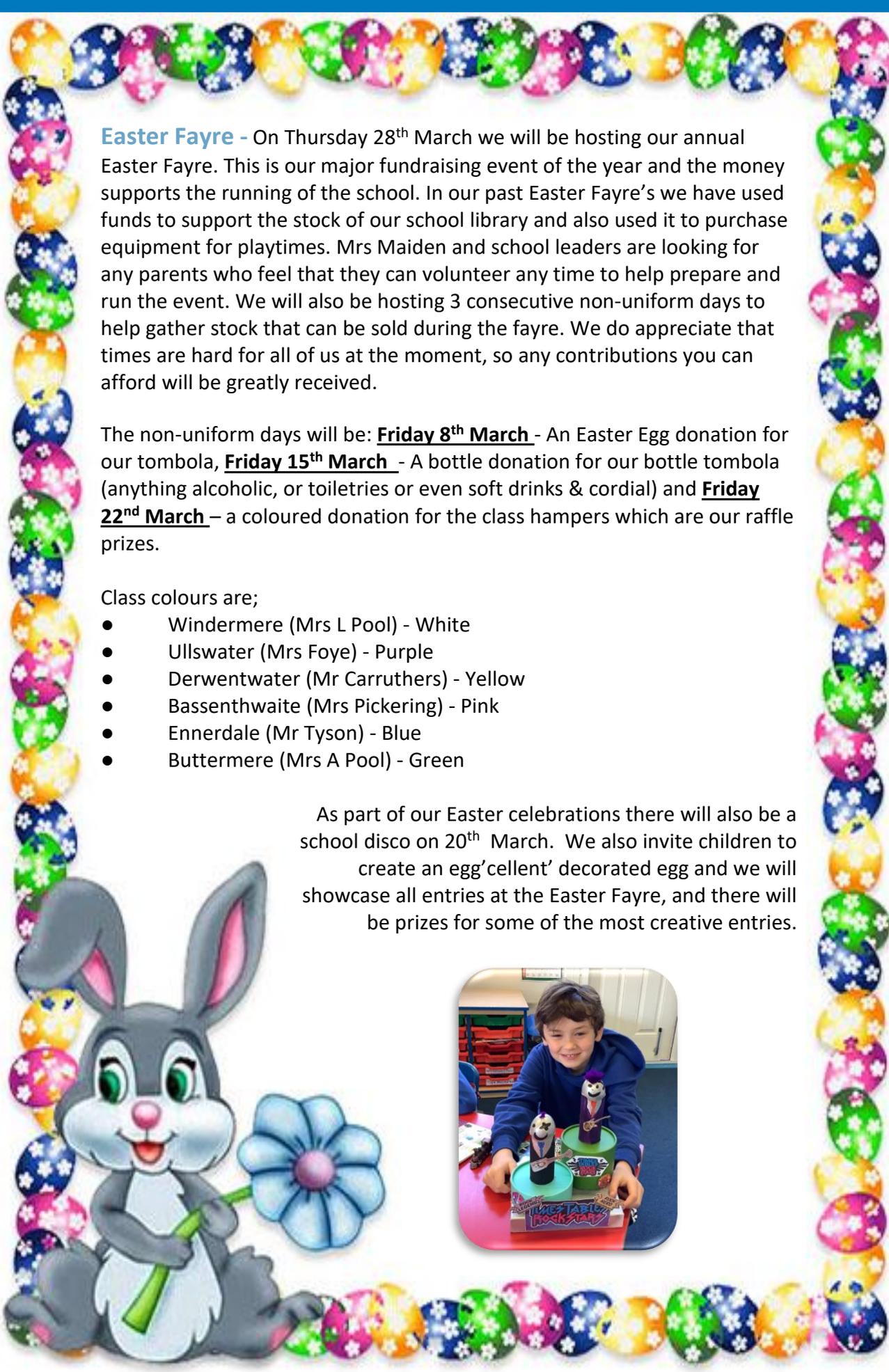


**Robinwood** - The Yr 4 group who visited Robinwood have had an amazing time, with challenges faced and conquered and long-lasting memories formed. Please check out the website for a number of update galleries capturing the great time they've had. Thanks also to staff who've given their time away from families to allow us to run this event. Wishing them all a restful weekend.

**Reminder's for next week** – World Book day on Thursday and non-uniform day on Friday with Easter Egg 'fine' for the privilege. All Easter Eggs donations will be used for our Easter Fayre.

**Parents Evening** – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March starting straight after school. Please return any appointment slips to school on Monday. If anyone needs another slip, a copy is attached to the newsletter email.





**Easter Fayre** - On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March we will be hosting our annual Easter Fayre. This is our major fundraising event of the year and the money supports the running of the school. In our past Easter Fayre's we have used funds to support the stock of our school library and also used it to purchase equipment for playtimes. Mrs Maiden and school leaders are looking for any parents who feel that they can volunteer any time to help prepare and run the event. We will also be hosting 3 consecutive non-uniform days to help gather stock that can be sold during the fayre. We do appreciate that times are hard for all of us at the moment, so any contributions you can afford will be greatly received.

The non-uniform days will be: **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March** - An Easter Egg donation for our tombola, **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March** - A bottle donation for our bottle tombola (anything alcoholic, or toiletries or even soft drinks & cordial) and **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** - a coloured donation for the class hampers which are our raffle prizes.

Class colours are;

- Windermere (Mrs L Pool) - White
- Ullswater (Mrs Foye) - Purple
- Derwentwater (Mr Carruthers) - Yellow
- Bassenthwaite (Mrs Pickering) - Pink
- Ennerdale (Mr Tyson) - Blue
- Buttermere (Mrs A Pool) - Green

As part of our Easter celebrations there will also be a school disco on 20<sup>th</sup> March. We also invite children to create an egg'cellent' decorated egg and we will showcase all entries at the Easter Fayre, and there will be prizes for some of the most creative entries.



Here are links to some activities which have been happening in school this week (click on pictures)  
 Check out all of the other [galleries](#) showing the children learning and exploring a range of different topics.  
 Check out your child's [class page](#) here.



**Robinwood  
Team Challenge**



**Church Visits**



**Robinwood  
Lake Group Day 1**

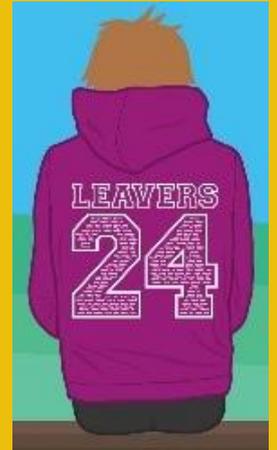


**Forest School**

**LEAVERS HOODIES** - For the Year 6 leavers of 2024 you can now order a leavers hoodie through our online shop. Each hoodie will have the school logo embroidered on the front and the number 24 on the back filled with names of all the Yr 6 pupils. Closing date for orders is 19<sup>th</sup> April and these will arrive towards the end of May. Children traditionally then wear them to school for the rest of the school year, and we look forward to seeing the rainbow of colours they have chosen!

The hoodies are priced at £21.38 each. *There are hoodie examples in two sizes in the school office for anyone unsure of sizing.* Here is the link to Schools unique link to the online shop.

<https://www.hartlandhoodies.com/school-leavers-hoodies/st-james-c-of-e-junior-school-leavers-hoodies>



## WEEKLY CLUBS

⇒ Monday—

- ◆ After School Table Tennis Club at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collect from Swingpump Lane @ 4.30 p.m.)

⇒ Tuesday—

- ◆ After School Gymnastics Club (Collect from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)

⇒ Wednesday –

- ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
- ◆ Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project
- ◆ STIX Percussion (collect from school @ 4.15 pm) **(Cancelled 6/2)**

⇒ Thursday -

- ◆ Music (Guitar/Keyboard) Tuition throughout the school day

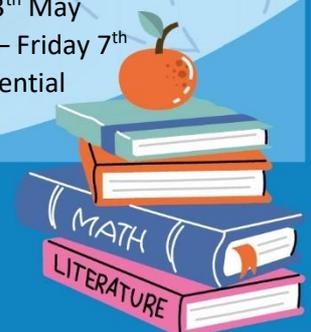
⇒ Friday -

- ◆ Church Singing Club (collect from school @ 4.15 pm)

## COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> March Parents Evening
- 11<sup>th</sup> March - Pupil progress & welfare Governors meeting
- w/c 18<sup>th</sup> March – Swimming Derwentwater
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Disco
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> – Full Governors meeting
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Fayre
- **Easter Holidays Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April**
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Summer term begins
- 19<sup>th</sup> April – Deadline for ordering Yr6 hoodies
- SATS week w/c 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June Year 6 Residential

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‘Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light on my path. Psalm 119:105’