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

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Welcome to this

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

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

Windermere - Ljay C, Mackenzie L &

Joseph M

Ullswater - Robert M

Derwentwater - Jamie F

Bassenthwaite - William P

Ennerdale - Aaron H

Buttermere - Jakob S



Attendance winners:

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

Overall school attendance this week is: 97.29 %



Christian Value Award

Windermere- Evan C

Ullswater - Sophia R

Derwentwater- Layla O

Bassenthwaite - Archie L

Ennerdale - Ava L

Buttermere - Clara C



Homework Heroes

Windermere - Jessica T

Ullswater - Ellis D

Derwentwater - Freya M

Bassenthwaite - Betsy O

Ennerdale - Archie S

Buttermere- Sophie Renesmee W

& Hudson M



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 Alfie C & Naomi S

Every week, children are encouraged to take part in the '**St James' Fitness Trail**' and a winner is drawn from everyone who has completed it that week. Well done to this week's winners Kaeden L & Solomon D, who have won a sporting prize of their choice.



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





Welcome to the first Newsletter of the half term. It has been a week scattered with heavy Autumnal showers, but this hasn't impacted on the great learning and enrichment happening across the school. It was great to celebrate this learning and fun in our Friday Celebration Assembly which recognised continued efforts with home learning for our Homework Heroes, amazing qualities and values being displayed with Peace, Friendship and Compassion being demonstrated by our Christian Value winners; and our Pupils of the Week being recognised for being excellent role models, enjoying learning and making thoughtful and reflective contributions to lessons.

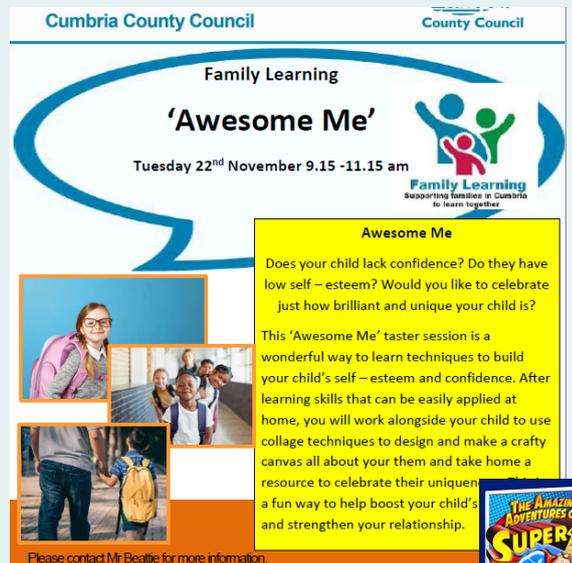
Well done all for following The St James' Way and enjoy a restful weekend.



School Notices & Reminders—



- **Reader Volunteers—** We would like to reintroduce our volunteer readers. If you can afford some free time on a Monday or Tuesday to listen to our children read in an afternoon, we would love to hear from you. Ideally this is to be a weekly commitment of at least one afternoon, but if you cannot commit this regularly we would still like to hear from you. Our afternoon sessions are between 1:20 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. and would involve listening to individual readers for approx. 15 mins at a time. If you are interested and think you can help, we would be really grateful.
- **Gymnastics Walkers –** On the same note, we are keen to see if parents can support our staff in walking down to the Sports Centre at 3:10 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. on a Tuesday. If you think you can help, even if it isn't every week, please let us know.
- **Parking –** You will have recognised an increased presence from parking enforcement officers and police this week to assist the school in establishing safe parking habits around school. Thank you to drivers for their cooperation with this.
- **Awesome Me –** Please see attached flyer for details.
- **Parents' Evening –** You will have noted the letter sent out this week regarding Parents' Evening. If you have not secured a slot please see your class teacher or alternatively call into school as appointments are being booked quickly. The parent meetings last over the two evenings of Tue 8th – Wed 9th Nov between 3:30 p.m. & 6 p.m.
- **Summer Production –** We are delighted to be finally able to offer videos of our 2022 Summer Production. For a cost of £3 we are able to provide a USB device with an electronic copy of the evening. Please see office for details in purchasing a copy.



- **Ten-Pin Bowling –** Well done to our students who represented our school in a county ten-pin bowling competition. The children were a real credit to the school and special recognition must go to Logan R who scored the highest score in the whole competition, winning himself a bowling medal. Well done all!



- **Poppy Appeal –** This week we have once again been supporting The Royal British Legion's Poppy Appeal. Special thanks to Noah, Theo and Jack for their commitment in selling the merchandise and the donations that families have made to this worthwhile cause. We will be recognising the work of The Royal British Legion in a number of Collective Worship next week.



- **Recognition to our students outside of school –** This week I proudly received 3 separate emails from varied organisations, all of which wanted to thank and congratulate our school on the conduct of our students. Workington Leisure Centre got in touch to share how well our Derwentwater Class had approached their weekly swimming block; Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project got in touch to say how well Ennerdale Class had approached their Stone Age Day activities despite the heavy showers; and finally the coaches from The Whitehaven Sports Centre got in touch to say how the new Gymnastics Club students were a pleasure to coach. As always I am a very proud headteacher, and look forward to other outdoor enrichment opportunities.
- Please find attached a poster regarding the volunteering opportunities available within Family Action Copeland.

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



Year 6—Maths (BODMAS)



Afterschool Tennis Club



Ennerdale - Stone Age Day



Bassenthwaite—African Dance

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' -

- ⇒ Tuesday 8th & Wednesday 9th November—Parents Evening
- ⇒ Monday 14th November—Pupil Progress & Welfare Governors Meeting
- ⇒ Week Commencing 5th December—Windermere Swimming Block
- ⇒ **Wednesday 14th December—Year 5 & 6 Visit to Beamish**
- ⇒ Thursday 15th December—Nativity Performance
- ⇒ **Friday 16th December—Christmas Jumper & Christmas Dinner Day and Cinema Visit**
- ⇒ Monday 19th December—Full Governors Meeting
- ⇒ Tuesday 20th December—Christmas Service 12.15 p.m.

Weekly Clubs & Activities

- ⇒ Tuesday—Gymnastics Club (Collected from Whitehaven Sports Centre @ 4.30 p.m.)
- ⇒ Wednesday – 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club, **STIX Percussion Club (until 4.15 p.m.) CANCELLED 9TH NOVEMBER** & Adventure Club (Yr 5/6) at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (collected from Swingpump Lane at 4.45 p.m.)
- ⇒ Thursday—Mr Carruthers Tennis & Badminton Club (until 4.15 p.m.) - ***N.B. Groups alternative every two weeks***
- ⇒ Friday—Zumba Club (until 4.15 p.m.)

