



St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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"I have loved you with an everlasting love"
Jeremiah 31:3

Reception: This week we have started our new topic – 'Under the Sea'. The children have really enjoyed looking at the story of 'commotion in the ocean' they have created some beautiful under water scenes and experimented with mixing paint. In literacy we have written about the underwater scene and gathered lots of description. In maths we have been working on number lines and using them to count forwards and backwards as well as to solve different number problems. Next week we will be looking at the story 'The rainbow fish' and will continue with number lines in maths. You should have received a letter about our trip to Maryport Aquarium, if you have any questions please get in touch. Hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Year 1: We have had a great week looking at The Tale of Tom Kitten, and the children decided that they would like to have a go at writing their own adventure for him next week. We have also worked really hard on 'grouping' in Maths, so this will be continuing as we move onto division. Please can you continue to help your child by counting forwards and backwards in two's as this is really making a difference! In the children's bags this weekend is the letter for school trip to 'The World of Beatrix Potter'. Please can I ask that all reply slips and money be returned by next Friday please to allow time for numbers to be finalised. The children are very excited about this exciting opportunity! We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Year 2: In maths this week we have been working through two step word problems using the bar method. We are continuing with this next week to consolidate the maths language further. As part of our topic work we are going to research differences in holidays now and in the past. Then we are going to write information answering the questions we have created. In Spelling we have started work with homophones which we are going to complete next week. I hope you all got your letters about our trip to Blackpool Tower which is a very popular trip and hope you can come. Children will be wearing their school uniform and can bring a snack and extra drink but no fizzy pop chocolate or yogurts please. If children need travel medication please give them this at home and any for the return journey must be in a clearly labelled envelope. Any problems please get in touch. Have a great weekend.

Year 3: This week in Maths children continued looking at different types of lines – horizontal, vertical, perpendicular and parallel before moving onto shape at the end of the week. There is no set homework this week, but ask your children if they can tell you what these types of lines are! In Literacy we started our unit on Persuasive writing and looked particularly at leaflets. Next week, we will begin to learn a text and think about how we could use these features to write our own version. You should have received a letter about our end of term trip to Grizedale forest. If you have not received this, please get in touch so that we can make sure you get one. If you have any questions about the trip, please do not hesitate to talk to us. Have a lovely weekend.

Year 4: Year 4 have had a busy week and will still be working hard next week! We will be doing some work on capacity in Maths and in Literacy we will be competing some writing based on the video 'The Cloud Who Was More'. Please remember swimming kits on Wednesday and PE kits of Friday. Have a good weekend everyone!

Year 5: Year 5 has been busy this week! We began working on play scripts in literacy and are focusing on exploring *A Midsummer Nights Dream* by William Shakespeare. To link in with this topic we have also begun looking at dream art work from the surrealist artist Salvador Dali; the children are excited to do more of this! In RE we began working on our new topic 'People of Other Faiths'. Before moving on to explore the beliefs of different religions, we started by looking at what we believe as Christians and how this shapes our day to day lives. Next week we have two secondary school taster days. On Tuesday 28th we will be going to Millom Secondary School and on Thursday 30th we will be going to St. Bernard's Secondary School. Please ensure that you have returned the relevant permission slips by Monday 27th. I hope you have a lovely weekend!

Year 6: This week we have completed some follow up work from our visit to the British Museum; it was great to see artefacts from Ancient Greece to help us with our learning. We have also been learning about light and how we see. The children have had great fun with mirrors! In literacy we have been thinking about description and selecting language carefully for effect as well as using punctuation accurately. On Friday, the children enjoyed a visit to the archaeological dig at Ulpha. Have a great weekend!

A NOTE FROM MRS NICHOLAS (PLEASE READ THIS SECTION AS ALL SCHOOL INFORMATION IS IN HERE)

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING: On Monday the Y5 & Y6 girls' team took part in the Kwik Cricket competition in Barrow. Well done to all of the girls who took part, sadly they didn't win but did play exceptionally well reaching the semi-finals! Year 4 joined the congregation for Mass in Church on Tuesday. On Friday Year 6 went up to Ulpha for an archaeological dig. The children thoroughly enjoyed the experience and I would like to thank Stephen Cove

and his team for organising the event for the children.

WEEK COMMENCING 27TH JUNE: On Tuesday Year 3 will be going to Mass at 9.00am, as always you are very welcome to come and join us. Please can children be in school by 8.50am so that they can be in Church for the start of Mass. Year 5 will be going over to Millom School where they will be taking part in some activities as part of a taster day. We hope they all enjoy the experience. On Thursday Year 5 will be having another taster day, this time at St Bernard's Catholic High School in Barrow. The coach will leave school at 8.30am; please can children from year 5 be in school by 8.20am. On Friday we are having a 'Wear a Hat Day' to raise funds for Brain Tumour Research UK. Please could we ask that children come to school wearing a hat and send in a suggested donation of £1. The children will be having a cake sale on that day and we would be very grateful to any parents who would be willing to make cakes for us to sell on that day. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Advance Notice of What is Happening!

Week commencing 4th July:

Year 5 will be having their taster day at John Ruskin School on Tuesday 5th July. The bus will leave our school at 8.30am; please can children be in school by 8.20am. They will need a pen, pencil, ruler and a PE kit. They can bring a packed lunch or bring £2.20 which will buy a main course and a pudding. A member of John Ruskin Staff will be travelling with the children and Miss Poole will also be with the class all day. The children will return to our school at 3.30pm.

Wednesday 6th July is a busy day for us, we have – Year 6 at Millom School for their Induction Day, children will come to our school as normal and our staff will take them over to Millom School. Children will be dismissed from Millom School as per the letter you received from them. Year 5 will be going to St Bernard's Catholic High School for an Enterprise Day. Further details about this will be sent home once we have received them. Year 1 will be going on their school trip, going on the steam train at Haverthwaite to Lakeside where they will catch the steamer to Bowness. They will visit the Beatrix Potter Exhibition before setting off home at 2.15pm which will hopefully mean they will arrive back at school by 3.15pm. Reception Class will be going off to Maryport Aquarium, leaving school at 9am and returning for 3.15pm. Our school governors will have their summer term meeting at 6pm in school.

On Thursday 7th July, year 2 will be going off to Blackpool for their trip, leaving school at 8.30am and returning to school at about 4.45pm. Year 4 will be having an Egyptian Workshop with Charlie Lupton, which is always a great experience!

On Friday 8th July, we have our End of Year Mass and Presentation of Awards; this will be at 10am in Church. It is early this year as Father Bob is going away. Parents of award winners will be notified by post the week before so they can make arrangements to attend.

Week commencing 11th July:

Our Tennis team will be taking part in the County Tennis Finals at Carlisle on Tuesday 12th. On Wednesday 13th we have our Sports Day – KS2 will be in the morning and KS1 will be in the afternoon, these will be held on our school field. On Thursday 14th we have our 'Move Up' afternoon, when children move up into their new classes for a taste of what is to come in September! Year 6 will have some fun activity in school while this is going on.

Week commencing 18th July:

Year 3 will be going on their trip to 'Go Ape' at Grizedale Forest on Monday 18th. They will be leaving school at 9am and returning by 3.15pm. KS1 will be performing their play on Monday afternoon – further details will sent home shortly. On Tuesday 19th Year 6 will be going to Barrow to join with the Furness Catholic Schools at a special Mass being held at Furness Abbey. This bus leaves school at 12.30pm and returns by 3.15pm. On Wednesday 20th, year 6 have their Leavers Play at 2.30pm, this is for parents of year 6 children. Our Parents Guild will have their last Disco of this school year on Wednesday evening; flyers will be sent home the week before. Finally we break up for our summer holiday at 1.30pm on Thursday 21st July!

Discussions are taking place regarding the end of school celebration for year 6, we hope to finalise arrangements next week and will be in touch with parents shortly.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER - SCHOOL MEALS: The menu for week beginning Monday 20 June 2016 is No.2.

Please remember to order your child's school meals or cancel them by 9.30am

The website address is: - www.lunchshop.co.uk.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

Monday: Choir – 3.15pm – 4.00pm

Tuesday: Tennis Club – 3.00pm – 4.00pm at the Sports Hall

SWIMMING – WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Swimming will start for years 3 & 4 on

Wednesday 13th April and continue throughout

<p>Wednesday: KS2 Multi Skills - 3.15pm to 4.15pm. Thursday: KS1 Multi Skills - 3.15pm to 4.15pm. Thursday: Athletics - 3.15pm to 4.00pm. Friday: Athletics - 3.15 to 4.00pm.</p>	<p>the spring term. The lessons will be in the afternoons. Spring Term – Years 5 & 6 Summer Term Years 3 & 4</p>
<p>LITTLE JIMMY'S TODDLER GROUP: Little Jimmy's Toddler Group is a friendly group who meet in our school hall on Fridays from 9.15am to 11.00am. We always welcome new parents and toddlers/babies and it is a nice way to make new friends. Everyone welcome ☺</p>	
<p>BREAKFAST CLUB: Opens at 8am the cost is £1 per day and any new children need to be booked in please. Children are offered a variety of cereals, drinks and toast with bacon and sausage buns being offered on Thursdays. Children can bring colouring books, books or games to play or they can do their homework. PLEASE CAN YOU REMEMBER TO PAY DAILY OR WEEKLY FOR BREAKFAST CLUB – THANK YOU ☺</p>	
<p>NO DOGS IN THE PLAYGROUND. THANK YOU: Can we please ask that you do not bring dogs into the playground when you are picking children up from school or dropping them off. Thank you.</p>	
<p>ILLNESS: Please remember to ring into school in the morning if your child is absent, stating the nature of their illness. Could we also remind you that if your child is absent due to sickness and / or diarrhoea, the recommended time they need to be absent from school is 48 hours from the last episode. This is to help reduce the spread of infection. Thank you for your help with this.</p>	
<p>SCHOOL UNIFORM: Just a reminder of our official school uniform which should be worn by all pupils; GIRLS UNIFORM: Grey skirt, pinafore dress or trousers. Blue polo shirt. Maroon jumper or cardigan with school logo. Black flat-heeled shoes (not trainers) or White socks or grey tights. Summer Uniform is pink school dress with white socks, white sandals may be worn. BOYS UNIFORM: Grey trousers or Shorts. Blue polo shirt. Maroon jumper with school logo. Black shoes (not trainers) or sandals. Grey socks. All shoes worn to school should be sensible and appropriate for the weather. LABELS: All uniform should have your child's name on it. Please also label coats and pumps.</p>	<p>PE KITS: All children should have a PE kit and a pair of pumps in school at all times. Please check and ensure that your child has the correct uniform. PE KIT: White top (with or without school logo). Black shorts. Black pumps. If your child does not have their kit, they will not be able to do PE. This includes pumps or trainers. Thanks for your help with this. EARRINGS: Please remove your child's earrings on their PE days. And also on Swimming days. They will not be allowed to take part in PE lessons if they are wearing their earrings. Thank you.</p>
<p>SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION: Safeguarding and Child Protection is very much in the news at the moment and very much at the heart of our school life. We would like to make you aware that if you do have any concerns or issues, these can be discussed in confidence with Mrs Nicholas, who is our Designated Safeguarding Lead. She can be contacted through the school office. If anybody has any concerns about any child either in school or outside of school please call the County Triage Team in confidence on 0333 2401727. There is a website which has lots of useful information which we would recommend you have a look at, the address is: www.cumbrialscb.com there is a link to this on our school website.</p>	
<p>VIPS: Jack Gardner, Rueben Hornby, Bryan Brown, Connor Mason</p>	
<p>Birthdays 20 June to 26 June 2016: Adam Ryce, Trent Ruddy, Logan Bradley, Leah Young</p>	
<p>TENNIS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB: Have fun learning the game. Lots of fun games, matches etc. to suit all playing and fitness levels. Tuesdays 3pm to 4pm at Millom Recreation Centre. Children will be escorted to the centre; to be picked up from there at 4pm. Cost is £3 per week.</p>	
<p>PRAYER INTENTIONS: Please remember all of us in the United Kingdom as we come to terms with the changes ahead of us now that the country has voted to leave the EU. We ask God to guide the politicians to make the wisest decisions for the best reasons in the future and help our country and people to prosper. (If you have any prayer intentions or would like us to remember sick people, please hand them in to our school office and we will include them on the newsletter)</p>	
<p>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</p> <p>June 2016 Tuesday 28th – Y5 taster day at Millom School Wednesday 29th – Rounders festival Thursday 30th – Y5 taster day at St Bernards, Barrow</p> <p>July 2016 Friday 1st – Wear a Hat Day & Cake Sale Tuesday 5th – Year 5 Taster Day at John Ruskin School</p>	<p>MASS TIMES OUR LADY & ST JAMES RC CHURCH, MILLOM Mass is celebrated on Sunday morning at 10.30am Confessions are held on Sunday morning from 10am – 10.25am SACRED HEART RC CHURCH, CONISTON Mass is celebrated on Saturday evening at 6pm Confessions are held on Saturday evening from 5.30pm – 5.55pm</p>

Tuesday 5th – Y2 Trip to Blackpool Tower
 Wednesday 6th – KS1 & KS2 Athletics at Millom School
 Wednesday 6th – Y6 day & evening at Millom School
 Wednesday 6th – Y5 Enterprise Day, St Bernards, Barrow
 Thursday 7th – Egyptian Workshop Y4 with Charlie Lupton
 Friday 8th – End of Year Awards Mass at 10am
 Tuesday 12th – Tennis Team County Finals at Carlisle
 Tuesday 12th – Parents Guild meeting 6.30pm
 Wednesday 13th – KS2 Sports Day am / KS1 Sports pm
 Monday 18th – KS1 Play
 Tuesday 19th – Furness Abbey Mass
 Wednesday 20th – Y6 Play
 Wednesday 20th – School Discos
 Thursday 21st – Break up at 1.30pm

You can contact Fr Robert Halshaw on 01229 779673
 For details and information please visit the website
www.saintfranciscumbria.com

SCHOOL MASS TIMES

Tuesday 28th June – Yr3 – 9.00am
 Friday 8th July – End of Year Mass & Awards – 10.00am

Parents Guild Annual General Meeting

Year 4 classroom at 6.30pm
 Tuesday 28 September 2016.

TERM DATES 2015 – 2016

Autumn Term 2015: **Monday 7th September – Thursday 17th December**
Half term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
 Spring Term 2016: **Tuesday 5th January – Thursday 24th March**
Half term – Monday 15th – Friday 19th February
 Sumer Term 2016: **Monday 11th April – Thursday 21st July**
Bank Holiday – Monday 2nd May
Half term – Monday 30th – Friday 3rd June
Children start back to school for the Autumn Term 2016 on Tuesday 6th September

RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATES 2017

Year 4 Ilkley – Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th May
 Year 5 Lockerbie – Wednesday 17th – Friday 19th May
 Year 6 London – Monday 12th June – Wednesday 14th June

You can start to pay for the 2017 trips now – please call in to our school office for details!

IMPORTANT - SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS & INFORMATION: We are no longer sending out paper copies of our school newsletter; unless parents specifically request one. All newsletters will be sent via e-mail, they will also be put on our school website and a link to this will be put on our school Facebook page.
 The address for our School Website is: www.stjamesrc.cumbria.sch.uk



Millom Mini R.L.F.C Training
 U7/8s (School years 1, 2 & 3) 5.00 - 6.00
 U10s (Years 4 and 5) 5.30 - 6.30
 U12s (Years 6 & 7) 5.30 - 7.00
 Millom RLFC. Friday evenings.
For more info contact Andrew James on 770066
All players welcome, new or old!

Would you like to play tennis ?

If you would like to have fun and learn more about playing tennis in Millom there are going to be some supervised times at Millom Tennis Courts.

If you are interested please ask you mum/dad to add your name to the list in the school office/reception or send an e-mail to David Billing at davidbilling121@btinternet.com

This is open to all year 3,4,5,and 6 boys and girls. Coaching will be given under the supervision of George Spry (an LTA coach). If there are enough interested this can continue during the summer holidays.

The first group of 'lessons' is being sponsored by CGP. There may be a small charge for more sessions into the summer.

Please 'sign up' before Friday 1st June so that we can make use of the good weather!