



# St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

## 4 July 2016

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

**Reception:** What a lovely week in reception. We have really enjoyed our Rainbow Fish week and made some lovely colourful fish. We are very excited for our trip next week. Just a reminder our trip is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July and costs £12.00. New week we are looking at Billy's Bucket. Have a great weekend.

**Year 1:** We have had a great, hardworking week in Year 1 this week! The children produced some fantastic stories about Tom Kitten and they are in the process of planning their own version ready to write next week. In Maths, we are working really hard on grouping and finding the total, and this topic will be continuing next week. Thank you so much to everyone who has returned the permission slip and money for the school trip next week. The children are so excited about our visit to see the Beatrix Potter attraction and many children have started a countdown! We hope you have a lovely weekend – and fingers crossed the weather improves for our trip next week!

**Year 2:** Next week we are continuing with our diary writing. After our trip we are going to create some diary entries for a class book to share with Year 1. We have been making some leaflets about how to keep safe in the sun. Linked to this work over the next two weeks we are going to make leaflets about Blackpool Tower and then eventually Millom. In maths we are going onto work with three dimensional shapes. Our spelling work for the next two weeks is to revisit suffixes in words. As part of our topic work linked to the seaside in the past we are going to compare and find what is the same and the changes. Our art and music is also linked to this. It is our very exciting trip to Blackpool Tower on Thursday which we are all looking forward to. Any questions please see me or ring the office. Can I remind you children are in uniform as they are easier to see when they are other schools there. They may bring an extra snack and I would suggest you pack extra drinks as they will get hot especially in Jungle Jim's and drinks are quite expensive for them to buy with their spending money. Any children who need travel medication please ensure they have this before they come to school and of they need any for the return journey can be labelled and instruction on a note please. We are still practicing our school play and are hopefully going to perform it before the end of term letters about this will go out the start of next week. Have a great weekend!

**Year 3:** Well, the end of term is fast approaching and things seem to be getting busier and busier so please keep your eyes peeled for any changes on a day to day basis! We've had good week thinking about persuasion in Literacy – and children have developed their toolkit which will help them to write their own persuasion next week. They have also been practising advertising 'Hawk Ridge Farm Park'. Ask them to tell you about it! In Maths we have been learning about 3D shapes and then moved onto looking at measuring the perimeter of 2D shapes. Children enjoyed making models of 3D shapes earlier in the week. It was our last week of swimming this week; however we have two PE sessions next week. Make sure kits are in school please. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July, we finish with our end of year mass and awards – it would be lovely to see you there. Have a lovely weekend.

**Year 4:** The children have really enjoyed their Literacy work this week and their 'Made of More' voice overs have been really impressive. This coming week, we will be looking at turning the sequence into a narrative. In Maths, we have been thinking about capacity; especially converting between ml and litres. In RE, We will be thinking about belonging to the Church. On Thursday, Charlie Lupton will be visiting us for a bringing history to life day where we will be building a pyramid! Friday is our end of school year awards ceremony over in church. Please do come along to join us if you can. Have a lovely weekend!

**Year 5:** This week has been very busy for Year 5! We have worked hard on percentages in maths and next week we will move on to looking at area. In literacy we have written poems around the theme of love from *A Midsummer Night's Dream* as well as having a class debate on whose fault it was that "the course of true love never did run smooth" in the play – the children argued their cases brilliantly! Also this week we have visited Millom Secondary School and St. Bernard's Secondary School. The children had lots of fun taking part in numerous activities such as canoeing, Zumba and creating their own rockets. Next week we will be visiting St. Bernard's again on Wednesday for a Young Enterprise workshop and we have a taster day at John Ruskin School on Tuesday. I hope you have a lovely weekend!

**Year 6:** We have been busy again this week in Year 6. We have started our last literacy unit, focusing on setting within a narrative; we will be continuing this next week. We have also continued our work about light in science learning about refraction. In RE, we have been learning about the Mass. We have started to look towards the end of the school year and the children have started making their year books, which I hope they will treasure. Next week we will start thinking about our end of year show; I know the children are very excited about this! On Wednesday the children will spend the day in Millom School on their transition day. They need to be at Millom School reception by 9.00am, wearing their full school uniform (this is a change to the information given in the newsletter last week).

Any children who usually come to breakfast club can still do so, and a member of staff will take them up to Millom School.

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

**WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:** Year 5 has had a busy week! On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> they went to Millom School where they took part in some activities as part of a taster day. On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> they enjoyed another taster day, this time at St Bernard's Catholic High School in Barrow. The children thoroughly enjoyed both days! We ended the week with our 'Wear a Hat Day' to raise funds for Brain Tumour Research UK. This is a cause very close to our hearts at the moment and it was lovely to see all of the children (and staff!) wearing all kinds of hats! We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who made cakes for us to sell and for their generous donations. We are proud to say that at the time of print, we have raised **£380.00** to send to Brain Tumour Research UK. Hopefully this will increase slightly if we manage to get the last few remaining cakes sold after school tonight! Can we just say a huge thank you to everyone, parents and children, who were kind enough to make cakes for us to sell and also for your generosity in donating to this Brain Tumour Research UK. Friday night sees the biannual 'Caretaker's Cup' Football Match between Year 4 and Year 5, which is being played on our school field. Good luck to both teams!

**NEXT WEEK - COMMENCING 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY:** Year 5 will be having their taster day at John Ruskin School on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> 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 together with Mr McQuire and Miss Poole, who will also be with the class all day. The children will return to our school at 3.30pm. Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July is a very busy day for us, we have – Year 6 at Millom School for their Transition Day, children need to go to Millom School and meet in Reception by 9am. Full school uniform is to be worn. 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, working with children from the Furness Catholic Schools. Children will need to be at school for 8.20am for registration before leaving at 8.30am. The coach will return to school at around 3.45pm. Year 1 will be going on their school trip on the steam train from Haverthwaite to Lakeside where they will catch the steamer to Bowness. There 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Thursday evening we will be welcoming the parents of children who are joining our school Reception Class in September. This meeting will be at 6pm and we are really looking forward to meeting everyone. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 have been notified and we know that you are all really pleased with your children.

**WEEK COMMENCING 11<sup>TH</sup> JULY:** Mrs High will be taking our Tennis team will be taking part in the County Tennis Finals at Carlisle on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>. On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY:** Year 3 will be going on their trip to 'Go Ape' at Grizedale Forest on Monday 18<sup>th</sup>. 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 19<sup>th</sup> Year 5 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 11.45am and returns by 3.15pm. Year 6 Leavers Celebration will be held at The Ski Bar on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> from 6pm until 9pm. There will be a letter going home to year 6 parents on Monday giving full details. On Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, 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 21<sup>st</sup> July!

**CHOIR:** Has now finished for the term. Choir will begin again in September when the new term begins.

**SWIMMING:** Has now finished for the term. Swimming will begin again in September when the new term begins.

**I CAN CONFIRM THAT OUR SCHOOL WILL REMAIN OPEN ON TUESDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JULY. THE MAJORITY OF OUR STAFF WILL NOT BE TAKING PART IN THE NUT INDUSTRIAL ACTION.**

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

**AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:**

**Monday:** Choir – 3.15pm – 4.00pm

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

**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.

**DON'T FORGET TO ORDER - SCHOOL MEALS:**

Monday 4 July 2016 is Menu No.1.

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

**The website address is**

[www.lunchshop.co.uk](http://www.lunchshop.co.uk)

**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 ☺

**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 ☺**

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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.

**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](http://www.cumbrialscb.com) there is a link to this on our school website.

**VIPS:** Kaya Jackson (R), Jamie Harrison (Y1), Bryan Brown (Y1), Seamus Peck (Y2), Evie Turner (Y3), Jack Gardner (Y3), Connor Mason (Y4), Rueben Hornby (Y5), Megan Goodwin (Y6), Lauryn Date (Y6)

**Birthdays 27 June to 3 July 2016:** James Cloudsdale, Jack Gardner, Eva Chapples, Freddie Allington

**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.

**PRAYER INTENTIONS:** We have been raising money for Brain Tumour Research in school this week and it is fitting that we ask you to remember in your prayers this week three very special people who this has affected. Please join us as we thank God for the recovery of Bryan Cloudsdale. We ask Our Blessed Lady to pray for Lisa Cloudsdale as she recovers from her treatment and for Glyn Robinson as he undergoes further treatment. We ask God to take care of them all and to comfort their families through the times ahead.

(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

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

#### **July 2016**

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

### **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

You can contact Fr Robert Halshaw on 01229 779673

For details and information please visit the website

[www.saintfranciscumbria.com](http://www.saintfranciscumbria.com)

### **SCHOOL MASS TIMES**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> 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 7<sup>th</sup> September –**

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

*Half term – Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October*

Spring Term 2016: **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Thursday**  
**24<sup>th</sup> March**

*Half term – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February*

Summer Term 2016: **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**July**

*Bank Holiday – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May*

*Half term – Monday 30<sup>th</sup> – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June*

**Children start back to school for the Autumn Term**  
**2016 on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September**

### **RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATES 2017**

Year 4 Ilkley – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Year 5 Lockerbie – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Year 6 London – Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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](mailto: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.

# ***MADs***

**LET'S FACE THE MUSICALS AND DANCE!**

**At**

**MILLOM SCHOOL**

**13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> July 2016 – 7.30pm**

**TICKETS: ADULTS £7.50 / JUNIORS & CONCESSIONS £5.50**

**ON SALE AT SPOILT FOR CHOICE**

**FROM MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2016**