



# St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

## 11 July 2016

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

**Reception:** What a fantastic week in Reception. The children loved their school trip to Maryport aquarium on Wednesday. Their behaviour and manners were fantastic, what a lovely day! We have been experimenting with materials this week and making boats; we have enjoyed testing them to find out which one is the best for floating across our water tray. It was lots of fun! We have also had singing practices, play practices, PE and our end of year mass and awards ceremony. Well done to this year's winners. On Wednesday next week we have sports day this is in the afternoon and starting about 1pm.

**Year 1:** What a fantastic week Year 1 have had! We really enjoyed our trip to Beatrix Potter and the children were so well behaved as they moved between the train, boat and the walk up to the attraction. The children were so polite to other passengers around us and enjoyed telling them about Beatrix Potter and our topic. Next week it will be Sports Day on Wednesday afternoon; so please can the children have their PE kit and trainers all week as we will be having a practice before hand. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

**Year 2:** We have had a fantastic week in Year 2 especially our trip yesterday to Blackpool Tower. The children all loved every minute and we had none to spare going from one attraction to the next, a super day out. They asked to go again next week!

We are practicing our end of year play 'Pirates versus Mermaids' which we are going to perform the last week of term. I have sent a letter out today to all KS1 classes about dressing up, any problems send a note or pop in and see me. We are having sports day this week so can all children make sure they have their PE kit and trainers in school from Monday as we are going to practice before the day.

**Year 3:** We have had a busy but good week in Year 3. In maths, children have been finding more out about perimeter and also learning to measure in centimetres and metres using tape measures. In Literacy they have written some great persuasive writing persuading you to come to Sports Day next week! We have published these using the computer and also completed some posters to go with them that you may have seen on our class window! We have also had hymn practices, sports day practices, PE and our end of year mass and awards ceremony. Well done to this year's winners. On Wednesday next week we have our sports day (keep your fingers crossed for a dry day)! This is in the morning for KS2 – starting around 9:30am. Children can come to school in their PE kit and trainers and are able to stay in this for the rest of the day. We hope to see you there! Finally, nearly everyone has paid their money for our school trip on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July. Could those who haven't yet paid, please do so as soon as possible next week please. Many thanks.

**Year 4:** The children have worked really hard this week and I have been impressed by their efforts – especially in their writing based on the cloud animation. In Maths, we have been looking at ways of measuring volume and length, and converting between different units of measure. On Wednesday this week we will be having out sports day. This will take place at 9:30am on the school field and it would be great to see you there, supporting the children. On Thursday, we will be having our end of year trip to Zero Gravity trampoline park in Barrow. A separate letter will be sent out about this. By now, you will be aware that next year I will be moving with the children into Y5. I know that we'll have a great year and will be able to hit the ground running in September as we already know each other so well. Have a great weekend!

**Year 5:** It has been another busy week for Year 5! On Tuesday the children went to visit John Ruskin School and then on Wednesday we took a trip to St. Bernard's for a Young Enterprise workshop. Both days were a great success and the children really enjoyed themselves. Every secondary school that we have visited has commented on how well behaved the children have been and what lovely manners they have – you should all be very proud parents! As well as all of our trips, we have also been doing lots of work. The children have enjoyed learning about the Jewish faith in RE and have done a brilliant job of changing an extract from *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* into a play script. Next week we will be thinking about making collages based around dreams and the imagination. If you are able to send in any magazine or newspaper cuttings of images that would relate to these themes, it would be greatly appreciated. I hope you all have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing you KS2 Sports Day on Wednesday morning!

**Year 6:** The end of the school year is fast approaching and in year 6 we are getting ready to move on from St James' to new schools in September. This week, the children all visited their new schools; the feedback from them is great, and the children seem excited to move on. In class, the children are finishing their year books and we have started to rehearse an end of year play. On Wednesday, the children will take part in sports day and on Thursday will have a fun filled afternoon, while the rest of the school meet their new teachers. Reports and SATs results will be sent home next Friday. Have a great weekend!

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

Not long to go now – we coming in to our final two weeks, how busy it has been and how hectic it is going to be!

**WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING:** We've had school trips galore this week! On Tuesday year 5 went to John Ruskin School in Coniston for a Taster Day, which they all thoroughly enjoyed. It was a very quiet day on Wednesday as we had four classes out! Year 6 were at their Transition Day at Millom School and year 5 were at an Enterprise Day at St Bernard's Catholic High School in Barrow. We also had Year 1 going on their Rail, Sail and Tail Trip, going on the Haverthwaite to Lakeside railway then from Lakeside to Bowness on the steamer, where they visited the Beatrix Potter Museum! Reception Class went up to Maryport to the Aquarium and had a great time. On Thursday, year 2 had their school trip to Blackpool, where they enjoyed Jungle Jim's and the Tower experience. All of the classes really enjoyed their days out and we would like to thank the staff who accompanied them.

On Thursday year 4 had a great time building an Egyptian Pyramid with Charlie Lupton bringing history to life with his workshop! In the evening we welcomed the parents of children who are starting our school in Reception this September. The meeting was a great success and although I was unable to attend, I know that Mrs High and Miss Haythorn gave all of the information needed to help parents to prepare for the next step in their children's lives. Thank you to the volunteers from year 5 who came back to school to show the parents around.

We ended the week with our End Of Year Awards which were presented at our School Mass in Church. Well done to the 25 children who received awards, I'm sure your families are very proud of you all as are we. Thank you to the families of Gareth Sowerby, Frank Cairns and Joanne Irving for being with us today and a big thank you to Maureen Goodrick for coming along and presenting her award. Thank you to Father Bob for saying our End of Year Mass and presiding over the awards ceremony.

**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 4 will be going on their end of year trip to Zero Gravity in Barrow. Year 6 will have some fun activity with Andrew Marshall 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 at 2.30pm and 6pm they are also doing another performance on Tuesday at 5pm. Mrs Carter has sent a letter home to KS1 pupils with full details. 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. A letter has been sent home 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.

**KS1 & KS2 SPORTS DAY:** On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July we will have our school sports day. KS2 in the morning and KS1 in the afternoon. Please can children come to sports day in their PE kits – black shorts and white t-shirt and trainers. They will be able to stay in these all day at school. The events will be held on our school field at the bottom of Albert Street and you are very welcome to come along and support the children. Many thanks.

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 11 July 2016 is Menu 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](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:** Naya Goodwin (R), Leah Kelly (Y1), Frankie Kelly (Y2) Aiden Wright (Y4) Daniel Crowther (Y6) Evie Moore (Y6)

**Birthdays 4 July to 10 July 2016:** Macy McMeekin, Ellis Fagan, Rhys Graham, Cobey French, Tiana-Mai Sharman-Tyson, Isabelle Walker, Jayden Brockbank, Kyle Brockbank

**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:** Please remember in your prayers this week, Mrs Nicholas' Dad, John Date, who is poorly in hospital at the moment. We ask God to take care of him and to help him get better soon. Will you also remember Mrs Orchard's daughter, Jenny in your prayers as she is not too well at the moment. We ask Our Blessed Lady to take care of Jenny and help her to get better soon. Please also say a special prayer John and Jenny's families at this worrying time for them.

(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)

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

##### **July 2016**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Tennis Team County Finals at Carlisle  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> – KS2 Sports Day am / KS1 Sports pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Move up afternoon  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> – Y4 Trip  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Play 2.30pm & 6pm  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Y3 Grizedale Go Ape Trip  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Furness Abbey Mass Y5  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> – KS1 Play 5pm  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Leavers Celebration  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Play 2.30pm  
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)

### **RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATES 2017**

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!***

### **Parents Guild Annual General Meeting**

Year 4 classroom at **6.30pm**  
Tuesday 28 September 2016

### **TERM DATES 2015 – 2016**

Autumn Term 2016: **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**

*Half term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October*

Spring Term 2017: **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April**

*Half term – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February*

Summer Term 2017: **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April – Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

*Bank Holiday – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May*

*Half term – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June*

**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!**



## ***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**

### **FREE JUNIOR TENNIS COACHING AT MILLOM PARK**

Free tennis coaching will take place on the following dates: Tuesday 26 July / Saturday 30 July / Tuesday 9 August / Wednesday 10 August / Saturday 13 August.

The coaching will be given by George Spry and LTA qualified coach. On each of the above dates the coaching will be divided hourly in age groups as follows: 10.00-11.00am up to and including Year 3 pupils. 11.00-12.00pm Year 4 up to and including Year 6 pupils. 12.00-1.00pm Year 7 up to and including 6<sup>th</sup> Form (but may be split on different courts depending on numbers and age of players).

Suitable sports gear should be worn – Especially trainers. Rackets can be provided if you do not already own one.

Please let your school know if you are likely to attend so that we have some idea of numbers.

## **MARY'S BACKPACK APPEAL**

**PLEASE CAN YOU SEND IN ANY ITEMS FOR THE 'MARY'S BACKPACK' APPEAL BY TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> JULY AS THEY ARE BEING COLLECTED IN THE MORNING.**

WANTED ITEMS: Backpack/school bag, Exercise Books/Notepads, Pencils, Pens, Crayons, Erasers, Rulers, Sharpeners, Pencil Case, Towel, Shorts, Skirt/Dress, T shirt, Flip Flops, Sandals, Plimsolls, Tennis Ball, Soap, Toothbrush, Toothpaste, Spoon. Blankets are always needed.

**WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE US.**