



St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Monday 23th January 2017

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

Reception	<p>Reception has been working hard this week with all of their jobs! We have been so impressed with all the reading the children have been doing at home, we can certainly see a difference in the children who are reading lots! We are going to keep the children's leggings/trousers for PE until half term in case we need to do PE outside again. They will be sent home for the holidays with the rest of their kit. For snack the children need to have their milk ordered on the Cool Milk website. A letter about this was sent home when the children started school in September. Please check to see if your child wants milk or water - thank you! We hope you have a lovely weekend!</p> <p>(Phonic sounds: all alphabet + qu, ch, sh Tricky Words: no, go, so, he, she, be, me, we, the, was, my, I)</p> <p>VIP: Evan Jackson, Millie Chapples</p>
Year 1	<p>A great week in year one. We have been very impressed with the instruction writing this week. Children have remembered all the key features and how to use them in their own work. We have enjoyed making chocolate crispy cakes and jelly. Next week we will be finishing this unit of work with pancakes and fruit kebabs. Maths has been great this week we have been looking at using three numbers to make subtraction and addition sentences. We will continue with this next week and will be starting on positional language. PE will be outside again next week so please can the children bring joggers/leggings to wear.</p> <p>Phonic sounds covered this week:</p> <p>Miss Cook - ai ee igh oa</p> <p>Miss Carter - ay ea ie oe</p> <p>Mrs South - wh ph oy</p> <p>Please continue reading every night with your child at home, five minutes practice every day really helps your child. We can see a difference with those that read lots. We hope you have a wonderful weekend.</p> <p>VIP: No VIP this week.</p>
Year 2	<p>We have had a very busy week again in Year 2. The multiplication work is going well and the children are really enjoying this work.</p> <p>Can I ask you to practice counting in 2s, and 5s every day forwards and backwards to help increase their accuracy? I have not sent any homework but if they can practice this and have a try at the number section on our Athletics that would help them and links to our class work. We are going to complete the multiplying 2 5 and 10 this week then move on to some multiplying by 3. In Literacy we have been learning about noun phrases and using speech between two characters. Next week we are going to complete this work then move on to writing our own new 5 part stories following the same structure. In RE we are looking at the story of the Wedding at Cana and how Jesus helped when they ran out of wine for the celebration. We are continuing with our topic work about China making lanterns and Chinese paper dragons for our class display and looking at how they celebrate Chinese New Year.</p> <p>I am starting the Kid-safe lessons with our friend KS in our class next week and will send sheets home so you can see what we have been learning about to help keep us safe. Have a great weekend!</p> <p>VIP: Olivia Shaw, Darcy Rowe</p>
Year 3	<p>In Maths, children have been working hard on their division this week. In Literacy, we have been writing descriptions and focusing on starting sentences with prepositional phrases. We are also having a huge push on the accuracy of capital letters and full stops - if you're children are doing any writing at home, please encourage and correct any mistakes with this. We loved our visit from Charlie Lupton on Thursday and learned lots about the Romans - I am sure you have heard all about it. On Monday next week, Year 3 will be attending Mass at 9am. Please can we ask that children come to school at 8:45am and come straight to the classroom. Have a lovely weekend.</p> <p>VIP: Klayden Wright</p>
Year 4	<p>Year 4 have had a good week! In maths, we finished our work on graphs and have moved on to looking at fractions. The children have made a great start with this work and we will continue with it next week. In literacy, we have been describing lots of different monsters. The children had a lot of fun with this, especially when they got to design their own monster for the stories that they will write next week. On Wednesday, we were visited by Charlie Lupton for a Stone Age to Iron Age workshop. The children had a fantastic day taking part in lots of different activities and learning new things. Next week, the Kidsafe programme will be starting in Year 4. This is a specialised child protection programme which deals with building children's confidence, self esteem and equips children with effective skills to deal with unsafe situations. A letter has gone out about this on Friday and, if you have any questions or concerns about the programme, please do not hesitate to come and see me. I hope you all have a lovely weekend!</p> <p>VIP: Olivia Robinson</p>

Year 5	<p>This week in school, the children have worked really hard to improve their division skills. They have all gained in confidence and have produced some great maths! In Literacy, the children have finished writing their stories about losing an item. I was really impressed with their efforts. This coming week, we will begin a unit of work on instructions in Literacy and in Maths, we will be learning about fractions. In RE, we will be learning about inspirational people. On Thursday 26th January, we will be holding a cake sale in school, any donations of cakes will be gratefully received as the proceeds will be put towards the cost of the residential trip to Lockerbie. Thank you in advance of your help! Have a great weekend!</p> <p>VIP: Hayden Jackson, Cerys Rowe, Rio Walker</p>
Year 6	<p>We have a great week in year 6. We have been looking at a range of chronological reports and have researched and written about jaguars this week. In maths, the children have been learning how to multiply fractions; I am sure they will all tell you how easy it is! Next week, we will be finding out how we can divide fractions. Twenty children from year 6 took part in an athletics competition and one of our two teams were the overall winners. However, all the children were brilliant: they ran, threw and jumped with real determination! I was delighted to see so many children stay for our after school booster class on Thursday. We began by looking at a grammar, punctuation and spelling paper so the children could see what will be expected of them in May. I am hoping even more children will be able to stay next week. I hope you all have a good weekend.</p> <p>VIP: Ella Bradley, Drew Heasley</p>

Birthdays 9/1/17 - 15/1/17: Erin Ferguson, Cerys Rowe, Ellen Armitage, Isaac Dreghorn, Arwen Hawdon, Leo Waugh, Keanna Bradshaw, Lucien Munroe, Anya Forrest.

Birthdays 16/1/17 - 22/1/17: Declan Tyson, Jackson Evans, Carys Gill, Diamond-Grace Lambillion,

NOTE TO PARENTS: PLEASE READ THIS SECTION AS ALL SCHOOL INFORMATION IS IN HERE

Week commencing 16th January: Year 6 attended Mass on Monday and thank you to all family members, parents and carers who came to join us. On Wednesday, year 4 had a great day and really enjoyed their Stone Age to Iron Age workshop with Charlie Lupton. On Wednesday Year 6 (and some of year 5) took part in the Sports Hall Athletics on Wednesday afternoon, we are pleased to report that our A team came first in the competition and our B team came 4th! The A team will go on to compete in the next event and we will let you know about this once we have the details. Well done to both of our teams, we are so proud of you all. On Thursday, Charlie came back to school and this time he did a fantastic 'Romans' workshop for year 3. Thanks to those parents who came in to see what the children had been doing at the workshops on Wednesday and Thursday after school, we are sure you will have been very impressed with what had been achieved during the day.

Week commencing 23rd January: Year 3 will be going to Mass at 9am on Tuesday 24th, as always you are all very welcome to come and join the children and parishioners at Church. The Young Voices will be having their last rehearsal on Tuesday at Millom School. Year 5 will be holding a cake sale on Thursday in aid of their residential trip fund. If anyone could bake cakes for the sale we would be very, very grateful, these can be brought into school on Thursday morning. Children from all classes can bring money in to buy cakes during the morning.

Week commencing 30th January: The Young Voices go to Manchester on Wednesday 1st February for the performance at the Manchester Arena. The Blackburn Rovers Boys Day will be on Saturday 4th February.

Swimming: At the moment the swimming pool is still closed as there is an issue regarding the availability of spare parts! We will notify parents when swimming begins again. The latest information we have is that they are hoping the pool will be ready week commencing 30th January but they will update us next week.

Sunday Mass: We have started to attend Mass on Sunday mornings every other week, the next being on Sunday 29th January 2017 at 10.30am. Children will be doing the readings and the offertory as well as joining in with the singing. Mrs Nicholas will be checking which children would like to and are able to attend beforehand so that readings can be given out in good time. It is lovely that the children have begun to attend Mass and it is nice that parents come along to support them too. It does mean a lot to our parish community to have the children at Mass so thank you for your support.

Parents Guild: Our Parents Guild will be having their first meeting of the spring term on Tuesday 24th January at 6.30pm in year 4 classroom. All parents and grandparents are very welcome to attend. Please do come along if you possibly can, your ideas and input would be very welcome.

Finally, we would like to say goodbye and good luck to Leo and Jake who are leaving us today. We are all really sad to see them go but hope that they will be happy in their new school and will stay in touch with us. We give their family all of our love and very best wishes.

Have a good weekend everyone!

FACEBOOK

We have made some changes to our school Facebook site. Each class now has a closed page where photos and other information will be posted by staff. Our main school page will be used to post information, reminders, links to newsletter etc. There will be no photos on here.

If you are a parent and would like to be added to your child's group please search for the following:-

KS1

Reception St James 2016/2017
Y1 St James 2016/2017
Y2 St James 2016/2017

KS2

Y3 St James 2016/2017
Y4 St James 2016/2017
Y5 St James 2016/2017
St James Y6 Class of 2017

ILLNESS

Please remember to ring into school in the morning if your child is absent, stating the nature of their illness. Please could we remind parents of the advice concerning sickness and diarrhoea. **Please do not send your child in to school if they have been vomiting or had diarrhoea. They need to be kept at home for 48 hours after the last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea.** Could you also remember to contact school to let us know that your child is ill. Many thanks for your help.

SCHOOL NEWSLETTERS & INFORMATION

We do not distribute paper copies of our school newsletter but parents can specifically request to be sent one each week. 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

BREAKFAST CLUB

Our Breakfast Club runs every week day when we are at school from 8am and costs £1 per child per day, which is payable daily or weekly / termly in advance please. Children are able to choose from a wide range of cereals, drinks and toast. They can play games, read and socialise with the other 'breakfast clubbers' before going in to class or they can take the opportunity to do their homework. Breakfast club is open to children from any class. (If your child does not usually come to breakfast club, please let our school office know that they will be coming - just so that our staff have an idea of how many children to expect. Thank you.)

SCHOOL MEALS

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
Tuesday: KS2 Drama - 3.15pm - 4.15pm
Wednesday: KS2 Multi Skills - 3.15pm to 4.15pm.
Wednesday: Board Games for Year 4 - 3.15pm - 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.

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. All welcome ☺

TERM DATES 2016-2017

Spring Term 2017: Thursday 5 Jan. 2017 - Friday 7 April 2017
Half Term: Monday 20th - Friday 24th February.
Summer Term 2017: Monday 24th April - Thursday 20th July.
Bank Holiday: Monday 1 May 2017
Half Term: Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATES 2017

Year 4 Castlerigg - Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd March
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!

RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATE 2018

Year 5 Lockerbie Wednesday 16th - Friday 18th May

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Just a reminder of our official school uniform which should be worn by all pupils. All uniform should have your child's name on it. Please also label coats and pumps.

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.
NO TRAINERS to be worn to school. Thank you.

PE KITS & EARRINGS

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. Please remove your child's earrings on PE days. And also on Swimming days. Our school policy is that staff does not remove earrings for the children and that a plaster covering the earring is not sufficient.
Your child may not be allowed to take part in PE and other sports activities if they do not have the appropriate sports kit or they are wearing earrings which they cannot remove themselves. Thank you.

PE KIT

White top (with or without school logo). Black shorts. Black pumps.

<p style="text-align: center;">MASS TIMES</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Our Lady & St James RC Church, Millom</u> Mass is celebrated on Sunday morning at 10.30am Confessions are held on Sunday morning from 10am - 10.25am <u>Sacred Heart RC Church, Coniston</u> 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</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CLASS MASSES</p> <p>Parents, family, friends and parishioners are very welcome to join us at any of our Masses in Church. It is always lovely to see you.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>JANUARY 2017</u> Tues. 24th @ 9.00am Y3 Mass</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>FEBRUARY 2017</u> Mon. 13th @ 9.00am Y5 Mass</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PRAYER INTENTIONS</p> <p>We ask you to pray especially for Leo and Jake as they leave our school today. We ask God to take care of them and help them to be happy in their new school. We ask Our Blessed Lady to pray for them and their family that they will have a happy and successful life.</p> <p>We also ask you to say a special prayer of thanks for Lisa Clouddale, whom we have asked you to pray for several times on our newsletter. For those who don't know, Lisa had the good news this week that she is in remission and we pray that this will continue. Thanks Be To God.</p> <p>(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>NEW BOYS GYMNASTICS CLASSES AT RECREATION CENTRE: New Boys Gymnastics class starting at Millom Recreation Centre: Every Thursday 4.30-5.30p.m. (age 7 and above) £4 per session Boys can ring the Centre and book a trial for a place (774985)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>JANUARY 2017</u> Tues. 24.1.2017 - Young Voices, Final Rehearsal @ Millom School = Y6</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>FEBRUARY 2017</u> Wed. 1.2.2017 - Young Voices Sat. 4.2.2017 - Blackburn Rovers Boys Day Out Mon. 13.2.2107 - Parents Meeting - Y4 Fri. 17.2.2017 - School Breaks up at 3.15pm: Half Term Hols.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION</p> <p>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 a link to this is on our school website.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">MOORE ARTS:MILLOM @ The Beggar's Theatre Youth Theatre Programme</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesdays: 12noon - 1pm Little Tots - Age 2 - 4 Years 4pm - 6pm Beggar's Youth Theatre - School Year 4 +</p> <p>Thursdays: 3.30pm - 5pm Reception - School Year 3. We will take children up to the theatre from school and you can collect them there at 5pm. 5.30pm - 7.30pm Project Shadow - Young people with additional learning needs - Age 10 - Adults</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All clubs start week commencing:- 19th September to week of 17th October. 7th November to week of 5th December Cost £40 per 10 week term</p>	
<p>WHAT'S ON AT THE BEGGAR'S THEATRE - www.beggarstheatre.co.uk</p> <p>Friday 20th January - 'From Ibiza to the Norfolk Broads' 8pm Friday 3rd February - 'The Thing That Came From Over There' 7.30pm Thursday 23rd February - 'The Singular Exploits of Sherlock Holmes' 7.30pm Saturday 25th February - 'Bye Bye Baby' 8pm Saturday 4th March - 'Blind Date' 8pm Friday 10th March - 'Jack The Ripper - The Real Truth' 7.30pm Friday 17th March - 'Sophie Willan: On Record' 8pm Friday 31st March - 'Tom Allen & Suzi Ruffell' 8pm Saturday 22nd April - 'Big Howard's Lol-Tastic' 2pm Friday 28th April - 'Manford's Comedy Club' 8pm Saturday 6th May - 'The Noise Next Door - Uproar' 8pm Friday 26th May - 'The Six Sided Man' 7.30pm Saturday 3rd June - 'Three Half Pints - The Three Musketeers' 2pm Thursday 22nd June - 'Burton' 8pm 775677 or call in at the theatre to book your tickets. Tickets are available on the door.</p>	<p>KD School of Dance - Classes held in St James' School Hall</p> <p>Monday: 4.30 - 5.00pm Nursery Class 5.00 - 5.30pm Grade 1 Ballet Class 5.30 - 6.00pm Junior Hiphop 6.00 - 6.30pm ACRO class for all ages 6.30 - 7.00pm Boys Class 7.00 - 8.00pm Senior Class</p> <p>Friday: 4.30 - 5.00pm Reception Class 5.00 - 5.30pm Year 1 Class 5.30 - 6.00pm Year 2 Class 6.00 - 6.45pm Junior Class 6.45 - 7.15pm Senior Stretch Class 7.15 - 8.00pm Senior Ballet Grade Class 8.00 - 8.30pm Pointe Class (Invite Only) Contact Danielle Carter via Facebook or phone 01229 774466</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RECYCLE with ST JAMES SCHOOL (& MICHAEL!)</p> <p>If you have any clothing or shoes that you no longer wear these can be put in the big green clothing bin at the main office entrance to school. This collection is for the Salvation Army and we get a donation towards school fund when the items are collected by them. There are recycling bags available from school if you have any items that you would like to put in the recycling collection.</p>	