



St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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

Dear Parents

Welcome back for the start of our new school year, we hope you have had a nice summer break. We will start to send out our newsletters again from next week and would ask that you please provide an up to date email address on the form overleaf this will enable us to send you an electronic copy. Can we also ask that you join our school facebook site and your child's class facebook page, details of this are further down the letter. You will be receiving some permission and data collection forms early next week, please could you fill them in as soon as possible and return them to school, this will ensure we have up to date contact details and information about your child. Many thanks for your help with this.

WELCOME: We welcome Miss Cannon as our teacher of year 4; Mrs Hulse, Miss Gribbin and Mrs Young who have joined our support staff and will all be based in reception class. We hope they will be very happy working as part of our school team. Welcome to our two new girls in year 3, Olivia and Leanna, who seem to have enjoyed their first three days with us and have made lots of new friends. We will be welcoming our new reception class on Monday and are really looking forward to meeting them.

SCHOOL TIMES: School starts at 9am. Could we please remind you that children should not be at school before 8.45am in the mornings unless they are coming to our breakfast club. We do not have staff in the playground to supervise them. School ends at 3.15pm.

TUCK SHOP: KS2 children can bring money in to buy snacks and drinks from the Tuck Shop at morning break time.

KS1 SNACKS: KS1 children have fruit at morning break time, this is provided free of charge. Children from KS1 can have milk in the mornings, this needs to be ordered and paid for by parents on the Coolmilk website – www.coolmilk.com there is a link to this on our reception class facebook site. Children who are under 5 years of age will have milk provided free of charge but will have to pay for it once the child reaches their 5th birthday.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:

****Tennis for years 1 – 6** with George Spry will start on Tuesday 12th September. This will be from 3pm – 4pm at Millom Recreation Centre. Our staff will walk the children up but you will need to collect your child at 4pm from the Recreation Centre.

****KS1 Gymnastics** with Abigail Harrison will start on Wednesday 13th September in our school hall from 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

****KS2 Multiskills** with Andrew Marshall will start on Thursday 14th September in our school hall from 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

****Please note - There is a charge of £18 per half term for these clubs. Please could we ask that you pay this in full at the first session.****

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THE FORMS OVERLEAF ON MONDAY IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THESE CLUBS.

WHAT'S GOING ON UNTIL THE END OF TERM:

Wednesday 13th September – Mr Blackburn from John Ruskin School to speak to year 5 & year 6

Monday 18th September – Year 3 Parents Meeting at 5.30pm

Monday 18th September – Parents Guild AGM at 6.30pm

Wednesday 20th September – WW2 Workshop for Year 4

Friday 22nd September – Year 6 Team Building Trip to Low Bank Ground in Coniston

Monday 25th September – Millom Football Festival for KS1 & KS2 at Millom School

Monday 25th September – Year 5 Parents Meeting at 5.30pm

Tuesday 3rd October – Cross Country at Millom School

Friday 6th October – Year 6 at REACT Science Show at Millom School

Friday 20th October – Break up for Half Term

Monday 30th October – Start back at school

Wednesday 1st November – Parents Evening

Thursday 2nd November – Parents Evening

Wednesday 6th December – Pantomime 'Dick Whittington' at The Beggars Theatre 1.30pm

Thursday 7th December – School Christmas Dinner

Monday 11th December – KS2 Play Dress Rehearsal at 2pm / KS2 Play at 6pm

Tuesday 12th December – KS2 Play at 2pm

Wednesday 13th December – KS1 Christmas Party

Wednesday 13th December – Parishioners Christmas Dinner at 6.30pm

Thursday 14th December – Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Party

Monday 18th December – KS1 Carol Service Dress Rehearsal at 10.30am

Monday 18th December – Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Party

Monday 18th December – KS1 Carol Service

Tuesday 19th December – Break Up for Christmas Holidays at 1.30pm

Thursday 4th January 2018 – Start back at school

Have a great weekend everyone.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please remember in your prayers Skye Mitchell, Caitlin Huddleston and Bernadette Cook who all very sadly died at the end of last term and during the holidays. We ask God to look after them welcome them into His Kingdom. We ask Our Blessed Lady to pray for and comfort their families and friends at this sad time. We pray especially for the members of our school staff – Miss Fry, Miss Wilson, Mrs Mitchell and Miss Cook and for Lily Darby, we give them all of our love, friendship and support.

(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)

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 2017/2018
Y1 St James 2017/2018
Y2 St James 2017/2018

KS2

Y3 St James 2017/2018
Y4 St James 2017/2018
Y5 St James 2017/2018
Y6 St James 2017/2018

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.

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 each morning! You can also order meals the night before or 3 weeks in advance. The website address is: 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. All welcome ☺

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

TERM DATES 2017-2018

Autumn Term 2017: Wednesday 6th September – Tuesday 19th December
Half Term: Monday 23rd – Friday 27th October
Spring Term: Thursday 4th January – Thursday 29th March
Half Term: Monday 12th – Friday 16th February
Summer Term: Monday 16th April – Friday 20th July
Half Term: Monday 28th May – Friday 1st June
Bank Holiday: Monday 7th May

RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATE 2018

Year 5 Low Bank Ground, Coniston Wednesday 31st January – Friday 2nd February

RECYCLE with ST JAMES SCHOOL (& MICHAEL!)

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.

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

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 a link to this is on our school website.

MOORE ARTS:MILLOM @ The Beggar's Theatre Youth Theatre Programme

Wednesday 11am – 12 noon Little Tots Ages 2 – 4
Wednesday 4pm - 5.45pm Beggar's Youth Theatre School Yr 4 – Yr 7
Thursday 3.30pm - 4.30pm Little Beggars School Yr Reception and Yr 1
Thursday 4.45pm - 6pm Little Beggars – Yr 2 and Yr 3
We have spaces available and welcome everyone.

£40 per term – maximum of 15 members per class

WHAT'S ON AT THE BEGGAR'S THEATRE

Friday 8th September – Tom Stade: I Swear 8pm
Friday 16th September – 'The Great British Take Off' with John Culshaw & Bill Dane 8pm
Friday 13th October – A Celebration of Simon & Garfunkel
Friday 20th October – The Thinking Drinkers Live 8pm
775677 or call in at the theatre to book your tickets.
Tickets are available on the door. www.beggarstheatre.co.uk

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS – REGISTRATION FORM – PLEASE RETURN ON MONDAY 11th SEPTEMBER

TENNIS WITH GEORGE SPRY – TUESDAYS 3pm – 4pm AT MILLOM RECREATION CENTRE

Name of Child: Year:

Emergency Contact Details:

Name: Telephone Numbers:

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Please give details of any medical conditions, medication and instructions for your child:

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Signed: Parent or Guardian

KS1 GYMNASTICS WITH ABIGAIL HARRISON – WEDNESDAYS 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Name of Child: Year:

Emergency Contact Details:

Name: Telephone Numbers:

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Please give details of any medical conditions, medication and instructions for your child:

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Signed: Parent or Guardian

KS2 MULTISKILLS WITH ANDREW MARSHALL – THURSDAYS 3.15pm – 4.15pm

Name of Child: Year:

Emergency Contact Details:

Name: Telephone Numbers:

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Please give details of any medical conditions, medication and instructions for your child:

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Signed: Parent or Guardian

CONTACT EMAIL ADDRESS FOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER:

Name of Child: Year:

Name of Parent:

Email Address: *(Please write this in the correct format – upper/lower case)*