



“With exploring minds, and faith; we grow and learn together”

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Newsletter

Well Done

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The children have all been working extremely hard this week.

Here are our Pupils of the Week

Windermere – Oscar BFS

Ullswater – Sam G & Rudi T

Derwentwater – Mr C's Tennis Club

Bassenthwaite – Georgia H

Ennerdale – Roary T

Buttermere – Farhat Z



The St. James' Way

- ✓ **Be Kind**
- ✓ **Be Respectful**
- ✓ **Give Your All**

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

Windermere – Henry C

Ullswater – Billy F

Derwentwater – Scarlett S

Bassenthwaite – Iman S

Ennerdale – Theo C

Buttermere – Sam S



HEADTEACHERS LOTTERY

Each week Mr Beattie pops into class and asks teachers who has gone above and beyond with their class expectations. Those winners are put into a lottery draw every Friday.



ATTENDANCE WINNERS:
BASSENTHWAITE
Had top attendance this week



Well done to the children who have achieved a Bronze award for 50 points

Naeto N, Noah S

Eilie W & Louie H

Overall School attendance this week is **93.08%**



Each week, all of the children gaining 100% in a reading quiz are placed into a prize draw to win a book of their choice. This week's winners were Allura B and Jack M.





We have had a great week of learning and activities this week.
Check out Class Dojo for lots of updates and photos.



Art



Carol Singing



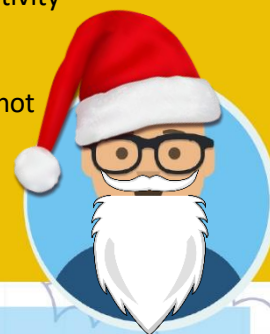
History

As we approach the final week of term, I am delighted to share some of the wonderful highlights that have filled our school with joy and creativity this season. Despite the stormy weather, our Christmas Choir brought warmth and cheer to the residents of Rosehill Care Home with their carol singing. The children sang beautifully, and it was really heartening to see the smiles their voices brought to the elderly community.

We were also fortunate to welcome Alex Jakob-Whitworth, a talented local artist, who worked with all three upper classes to explore different portrait styles. Inspired by the artwork of JD Kenworthy, an artist from Whitehaven, born 1858, the children produced some truly impressive pieces. We are thrilled that these portraits will be exhibited at The Beacon Museum in the new year, alongside original works by JD Kenworthy—a remarkable opportunity for our pupils to see their creativity celebrated in a professional setting.

Looking ahead, excitement is building for our brand-new Nativity: Groov'n, which will be performed at St James Church next Monday. Tickets for the 2pm and 5pm performances are selling quickly, and we cannot wait to share this lively production with you. To add to the festive spirit, we kindly ask all Year 5 and 6 children to come to school in a Christmas jumper on Monday, ready to perform with our choir.

Please see the email & Dojo for other key information to help parents navigate the busy but joyful week of celebrations. *Wishing you a restful weekend, Mr Beattie*



WEEKLY CLUBS

⇒ Monday

◆ Yr 6 Bellringing at St James Church

Restarting Monday 12th January

(Collect from church @ 4.30p.m.)

⇒ Wednesday

◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club

◆ Music Tuition (Keyboard PM **Cancelled 17.12.25**)

(Guitar AM – on this week)

◆ Yr 5/6 Adventure Club at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (Collect from WHYP @ 4.45 p.m.)

⇒ Thursday

◆ Yr 5 Tennis & Badminton

Has now finished

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Monday 15th December – Nativity, St James' Church 2pm & 5pm
- Tuesday 16th December – Christmas Cinema Trip, Jumper & Dinner Day
- Friday 19th December – Christmas Carol Service, St James' Church 12.15pm
- Wednesday 7th January – Start of Spring Term

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“Your word is a lamp to my feet, a light on my path. Psalm 119:105”