



“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 – Maddie G

Ullswater – Chloe N & Nolah T

Derwentwater – Seth F

Bassenthwaite – Harley R

Ennerdale – Lewis C

Buttermere – Benjamin S



The St. James' Way

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

CHRISTIAN VALUE AWARD

Windermere – Ciara C

Ullswater – Dylan R

Derwentwater – Aria D

Bassenthwaite – Sienna B

Ennerdale – Lucy A

Buttermere – Theo S



Attendance Matters

Every student. Every day.

Overall School attendance this week is **95.59%**



ATTENDANCE WINNERS: WINDERMERE

Had top attendance this week

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

**Dylan R, Jem B,
Jakob S & Ferne C**



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 Edie L & Leo M.





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



The Beacon



PE



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It has been a busy and very positive week as we have begun our new timetable. In English, Upper School classes are now being taught in their class groups and we have launched our new award-winning book-based English scheme, *The Literacy Tree*. Both staff and pupils have shared encouraging feedback. The children are particularly enjoying being fully immersed in whole texts that link closely with their wider curriculum themes. In maths, pupils have started recording their calculations in exercise books. This shift is already helping them present their work more clearly using squared paper to support neat and organised layout when working through problems.

We were also pleased to welcome the Library Service into school this week to audit our library stock. Following their visit, we are investing in a range of new non-fiction texts that directly support our curriculum. This will ensure children have access to high-quality books matched to their topics, such as World War II, volcanoes, and more.

A special mention goes to Ullswater class, who have been an absolute pleasure during their swimming block this week. Their enthusiasm and behaviour have been exemplary.

Looking ahead, we are excited for **World Book Day next Thursday**, and we look forward to celebrating a love of reading across the school. *Wishing you all a restful weekend. Mrs Moore, Headteacher*

WEEKLY CLUBS

- ⇒ Monday
 - ◆ Yr 6 Bellringing at St James Church (Collect from church @ 4.30p.m.)
- ⇒ Tuesday
 - ◆ STIX Drumming (Collect from school @ 4.15p.m.)
- ⇒ Wednesday
 - ◆ 8.00 a.m. Judo Breakfast Club
 - ◆ Music Tuition (Guitar AM) (Keyboard PM)
 - ◆ Yr 5/6 Adventure Club at Whitehaven Harbour Youth Project (Collect from WHYP @ 4.45 p.m.)
- ⇒ Thursday
 - ◆ Yr5 Animation Club (Collect from school @ 4.15p.m.)

COMING UP AT ST JAMES'

- Thursday 5th March – World Book Day
- Friday 6th March – Non-Uniform Day for an Easter Egg Donation
- Friday 13th March – Non-Uniform Day for a bottle Donation
- Friday 20th March – Non-Uniform Day for a Hamper Donation
- Friday 27th March – Easter Fayre
- Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April – Easter Holidays
- Wednesday 6th – Friday 8th May Year 4 Residential
- Tuesday 2nd – Friday 5th June Year 6 Residential

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