



St James Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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

Reception: We have had another busy week in reception. We have had fun learning all about life cycles of a caterpillar and looking at the very hungry caterpillar story. We have created lots of pictograms in maths this week and analysing our class's favourite food, colours and toys.

Next week we will begin our new topic of under the sea. We will be creating some art work around sea creatures. I have booked our school trip to Maryport Aquarium a letter will go out next week with all the details. Have a lovely weekend.

Year 1: This week in Year 1 we have had a very busy week with our Phonics. The children worked so hard with their Screening and we are very proud of them and how they have worked! Next week the children will be getting their reading books again. Please make sure that their books come into school every day as the children have daily jobs based on them. We have also been continuing with our Topic about Beatrix Potter. We have been learning more about her childhood and who her family was. The children have enjoyed bringing in any Beatrix Potter stories that they love from home, it is lovely to see them so enthusiastic about a subject! Next week will be looking at the story of Tom Kitten, and in Maths we will be looking at sharing/dividing numbers. We hope you have a lovely weekend!

Year 2: We have had another busy week in Year 2. Next week we are completing our writing about the lost toy redrafting today's work and improving today's work and writing endings. We have started some great Art work linked to our Seaside topic which the children have really enjoyed and made a super start with. In maths we are going to try some more complex word problems, drawing the bar method and then calculating to find the answers. I have booked our school trip to Blackpool Tower and will send a letter next week with the details but if you would like to pay this weekly you are welcome to send some money in an envelope this week. Have a great weekend everyone.

Year 3: We have had another good week in Year 3. Children have been completing some assessments and the majority have worked really hard on these, giving their best efforts to all the assessments. These help inform our teaching and help us as we prepare the children for their move into Year 4. Next week, we will be looking at a new unit in writing – Persuasion. In Maths, we have been looking at parallel and perpendicular lines – homework is linked to this. Children in Year 3 do still have swimming on Wednesdays so need their kit. If in doubt, send it in, they can always bring it home again. Many thanks for your help.

Year 4: Mr McQuire has been teaching year 4 this week while Mrs McKendrie has been in London with year 6. It has been a fun and interesting week in Year 4. The children have started a topic on Ancient Egypt. They have learnt about the pyramids, mummification, different roles of ancient Egyptian people and numerous other things. They have used their skills from maths, literacy, art and ICT in order to create a booklet to showcase their work. During next week year 4 will be completing their assessments. They will also be continuing with their work about St Paul. It is our Class Mass on Tuesday morning; please can ALL year 4 children be at school by 8.45am so that we can go over to Church for 9am. Please do remember swimming kits on Wednesday. Have a good weekend!

Year 5: Year 5 have been working hard this week! We completed our work on persuasive letters in literacy and the children produced some lovely pieces of writing based on the events in the poem 'The Highwayman'. In maths we have progressed on to adding and subtracting decimals. The children have grasped this really well and are enjoying the work. On Tuesday a group of students from St. Bernard's came in to read French stories to the children. Year 5 really enjoyed this and had great conversations using their French vocabulary. I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

Year 6: We have had a lovely time in London with year 6. The children enjoyed all of the attractions and activities we had planned for them. We hope parents enjoyed keeping up to date with our trip from the pictures on our facebook group page. Next week we will be continuing with our Greek topic, using the research work book that we completed in the British Museum to present our work neatly.

Thank you to all of the children for behaving so well while we were away and thank you also to the four children who remained at school for working hard for Miss Mullan.

Have a relaxing weekend everyone!

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

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING: Year 6 had an amazing time on their residential trip to London, taking in many of the capital's great attractions! I hope that parents enjoyed the facebook group updates and photos as much as I did, it certainly made me very envious indeed! Thank you to the children for being great ambassadors of our school and behaving so well throughout. Thank you also to Mrs Orchard, Miss Fry, Miss Toman, Mrs McKendrie and Miss Wilson for accompanying the trip. Residential trips are hard work and we do thank all of our staff who give up their

time to allow children to experience these trips in years 4, 5 and 6.

We welcomed some students from St Bernard's Catholic High School on Tuesday to work with our year 4 and 5 classes. The students used French books that they had produced themselves to help our children with their French vocabulary. Thank you to those students who visited us, our children really enjoyed the day.

The Kwik Cricket competition was postponed on Monday – unfortunately our team had already arrived at Barrow before it was called off! The competition was rearranged for today (Friday) at the time of print we do not know how the team are getting on but we hope that they are all enjoying the experience.

WEEK COMMENCING 20TH JUNE: On Monday the Y5 & Y6 girls' team will be taking part in the Kwik Cricket competition in Barrow. The bus will be leaving school at 8.45am and should return by 3.45pm at the latest, this may be earlier depending on how far they progress in the competition. Good luck to all of the girls who are taking part. Year 4 will be going to Mass on Tuesday; please can all year 4 children be in school by **8.45am** ready to go over to Church. On Thursday the school is closed as our building is being used as a polling station for the EU Referendum. On Friday Year 6 will be going on an archaeological dig which has been organised by Stephe Cove – lets hope it is a fine day! There is no Assembly on Friday 24 June 2016.

CHOIR WILL NOT BE ON AGAIN THIS WEEK – IT WILL RESUME ON MONDAY 27TH JUNE.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – PLEASE READ! School will be closed on **THURSDAY 23RD JUNE** as our building is being used as a Polling Station for the EU Referendum. Please do pass this around to everyone as we are aware by the telephone calls we had last time, that not all parents are reading the information we send in newsletters, texts, emails or Facebook messages. We do try very hard to keep you informed, if you can, please do check our school Facebook site regularly for any updates.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend!

DON'T FORGET TO ORDER - SCHOOL MEALS: The menu for week beginning Monday 20 June 2016 is 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.

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.

SWIMMING – WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Swimming will start for years 3 & 4 on Wednesday 13th April and continue throughout the spring term. The lessons will be in the afternoons.

Spring Term – Years 5 & 6

Summer Term Years 3 & 4

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.

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

<p>All shoes worn to school should be sensible and appropriate for the weather.</p> <p><u>LABELS:</u> All uniform should have your child's name on it. Please also label coats and pumps.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p><u>SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION:</u> 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 there is a link to this on our school website.</p>	
<p><u>VIPS:</u> Meara Pattinson, Jack Patton, Tye Young, Jack Barker, Gwyneth Peck, Lyla Shaw</p>	
<p><u>Birthdays 13 June to 19 June 2016:</u> Bailey Hulse</p>	
<p><u>TENNIS AFTER SCHOOL CLUB:</u> 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.</p>	
<p><u>PRAYER INTENTIONS:</u> Please remember in your prayers this week, 3 year old Jack Pietrzak who has had an operation this week. We ask Our Blessed Lady to pray especially for Jack and his family during this worrying time. We ask God to take care of Jack and to help him recover and be well again soon. (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><u>DATES FOR YOUR DIARY</u></p> <p><u>June 2016</u> Monday 20th – Y5&Y6 Girls to take part in Kwik Cricket Competition in Barrow. Friday 24th – Y6 to take part in Archaeological Dig. Thursday 23rd – School Closed – EU Referendum Tuesday 28th – Y5 taster day at Millom School Wednesday 29th – Rounders festival Thursday 30th – Y5 taster day at St Bernards, Barrow</p> <p><u>July 2016</u> Friday 1st – Wear a Hat Day & Cake Sale Tuesday 5th – Year 5 Taster Day at John Ruskin School Tuesday 5th – Y2 Trip to Blackpool Tower Wednesday 6th – KS1 & KS2 Athletics at Millom School Wednesday 6th – Y6 day & evening at Millom School Wednesday 6th – Y5 Enterprise Day, St Bernards, Barrow Thursday 7th – Egyptian Workshop Y4 with Charlie Lupton Friday 8th – End of Year Awards Mass at 10am Tuesday 12th – Tennis Team County Finals at Carlisle Tuesday 12th – Parents Guild meeting 6.30pm Wednesday 13th – KS2 Sports Day am / KS1 Sports pm Monday 18th – KS1 Play Tuesday 19th – Furness Abbey Mass Wednesday 20th – Y6 Play Wednesday 20th – School Discos Thursday 21st – Break up at 1.30pm</p>	<p><u>MASS TIMES</u></p> <p><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</p> <p><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.saintfrancescumbria.com</p> <hr/> <p><u>SCHOOL MASS TIMES</u> Tuesday 24th May – May Procession - 10.00am Tuesday 7th June – Yr5 – 9.00am Tuesday 21st June – Yr4 – 9.00am Tuesday 28th June – Yr3 – 9.00am Friday 8th July – End of Year Mass & Awards – 10.00am</p> <hr/> <p><u>Parents Guild Meetings Year 4 classroom at 6.30pm</u> Tuesday 14th June Tuesday 12th July</p> <hr/> <p><u>TERM DATES 2015 – 2016</u> Autumn Term 2015: Monday 7th September – Thursday 17th December</p>

RESIDENTIAL TRIP DATES 2017

Year 4 Ilkley – Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th May
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!

Half term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th October
Spring Term 2016: **Tuesday 5th January – Thursday 24th March**
Half term – Monday 15th – Friday 19th February
Summer Term 2016: **Monday 11th April – Thursday 21st July**
Bank Holiday – Monday 2nd May
Half term – Monday 30th – Friday 3rd June
Children start back to school for the Autumn Term 2016 on Tuesday 6th September

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



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
All at Millom RLFC on Friday evenings.
For more info contact Andrew James on 770066
All players welcome, new or old!



GOLF: Friendship, fresh air and exercise; golf has it all. Learn or improve or play more. From 14 May 2016 at Silecroft Golf Club. Coaching is available. Adults: 9.00-10.00am. Juniors 10.00-10.45am. Saturdays. Equipment provided. Call: Maureen on 772831 or Keith on 770467.