



**St James' Church of England Infant and
Nursery School
4th July 2025**





Welcome to our weekly newsletter.

Our highlight this week was Year 2s adaptation of The Lion King. All of the children made us feel sooo proud! There was some amazing stand out individual performances and the group portrayed the story beautifully together. It was a culmination of weeks of rehearsals, showcasing the children's talents.

This week we have held our transition morning, welcoming lots of new nursery and reception starters to the school. This time we are welcoming children from a broader range of private nursery settings showing that our reach is becoming wider. This is very pleasing that parents from further afield are choosing us. Our existing children have had a taster in their new classes and it was a lovely opportunity for them to meet their key staff and mix with other children. The Year 2 children had a fun morning at the Juniors in preparation for their move as well.

Nursery have had an exciting time as always! They have been reading the classic rhyming tale of '*Commotion in the Ocean*' linked to their Under the Sea theme. As well as this they have been making lots of crafts in their workshop area.

In Reception, the children have been finding out why the Earth is suitable for human habitation and how they can protect the Earth for future generations. They have generated lots of ideas and they are eager to take action themselves! Today they were treated to a fabulous clay workshop delivered by Ivy's Mum, who is an art teacher. The children used their imagination to create their own aliens which aligns nicely to their current space theme.

This week, Year 1 and 2 have been busy. In English, the children have been writing fantastic diary entries, stepping into the shoes of people who witnessed the Great Fire of London. Their imagination and historical understanding really shone through. In Maths, they've been learning all about statistics. The children enjoyed creating and interpreting pictograms, tally charts, and block graphs—developing key data-handling skills in fun and practical ways. In History, they've turned our attention to the Titanic, thinking deeply about the wider impact of the tragedy and how it shaped safety measures and public awareness at the time.

Next week we are welcoming two work experience students who are in Year 10 in local secondary schools. Early Years children will have a First Aid training refresher with Paul Seager on Monday. Key Stage One are due to visit Clip and Climb on Monday and the Spanish Galleon on Wednesday morning. We have been invited to watch the Junior dress rehearsal next Thursday too.

We have two weeks to go until the end of the summer term and so many things to pack in for the children to enjoy!

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Moore





Year 1 and 2 trip to Clip and Climb



Here are a few last minute reminders for the trip on Monday:

- The children need to wear their PE kit and have a waterproof coat
- Packed lunches are needed (*please remember no nuts and no may contain nuts*)
- If the weather is warm, please apply sun cream before school as the classes will be spending time on the park (*weather permitting*).

Book Amnesty



We would be grateful if parents could check at home to see if there are any of our ReadWriteInc books hiding. Please bring them back to school next week. It is very expensive (£6 per book) to replace the books in this reading scheme and we would appreciate it if we could get some of our "lost" books returned. Just hand them into your child's class teacher and they will be gratefully received.

Holiday Activities



Community Sports Trust

Summer Activities

Week One:

Wigton Soccer School

Wigton Rugby Club

Tuesday 22 July -
Friday 25 July 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 13



Week Two:

Carlisle Soccer School

Girls Only spaces Available

Harraby 36 Astroturf

Tuesday 29 July -
Friday 1 August 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 13

Whitehaven Soccer School

Whitehaven Football Club

Tuesday 29 July -
Friday 1 August 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 13



Dance & Gymnastics Camp

Harraby 36 Sports Hall

Tuesday 29 July -
Friday 1 August 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 11

Week Three:

Penrith Soccer School

Penrith Rugby Club

Tuesday 5 August -
Friday 8 August 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 13



Cockermouth Soccer School

Cockermouth School

Tuesday 5 August -
Friday 8 August 2025

£60 per person

Ages 5 - 13

For more information and booking [visit: https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/carlisleunited/](https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/carlisleunited/)
or [email: Sam.Tickner@carlisleunitedcst.co.uk](mailto:Sam.Tickner@carlisleunitedcst.co.uk) or [phone: 01228 554169](tel:01228554169)

Upcoming Church Services and Community Centre Events



Family Service

MONTHLY

11.30am

At St. James' Church

**Followed by free bacon butties in the
Community Centre**



**A service specially for families with young
children, but all are most welcome!**

18th of May

22nd of June

20th of July

ST. JAMES TODDLER GROUP

Come join us and be sure of a warm welcome, where everyone can feel relaxed. From the tiniest of babies, right up to those starting school and their carers.



1:30pm to 3pm

St James' Community Centre

(opposite Church)

20th of May

3rd & 17th of June

1st & 15th July

(with refreshments)



"Sport Church"

Monday 4th August

1.30pm to 3.30pm

at

St James' Community Centre

This event is for Primary School age children and their parents/carers to come together for a bible story, crafts, games & singing.

We will be looking at stories in the bible featuring water, including Jonah and the whale & the parting of the Red Sea.

Followed by hotdogs and snacks.

Hope to see you there.

Rev Alison

If you have questions, please email me:

rector.whitehaven@gmail.com

(All children must be accompanied by an adult)

Our weekly celebrations



Headteacher Award- Jovana

Learners of the week

Great Gable- Vova

Melbreak- Ivy

Catbells- Sam DV

Scafell- Jessie

Skiddaw- Sophie

Handwriters of the week

Lucas, Harper, Rudie and Anderson

Well done to our bumper group of children who have received reading awards and achievements outside of school this week.





Cumbria Safeguarding
Children Partnership



C S C P

If you **SEE** something... **SAY** something!

Are you concerned about a child or family?

If you **see** or hear something that worries you...
say something!

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

To report a child safeguarding concern call:

Cumberland Safeguarding Hub – **0333 240 1727**

Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Hub – **0300 373 2724**

NSPCC on **0808 800 5000**

In an emergency call **999**

Help us keep our children safe in Cumbria

Got an itch? Tummy trouble? Tickly cough?

NHS



Head to your
local pharmacy.

Did you know?
Pharmacists across
the North East and
North Cumbria can
offer advice and FREE
treatment for a wide
range of common
conditions* – just like
having a prescription
from your GP!

Please ask your
pharmacy team
for more details
and eligibility.

UTI's non pregnant women 16-64 years

Shingles 18 years+

Impetigo 1 year+

Sore throat 5 years+

Sinusitis 12 years+

Infected insect bites 1 year+

Earache 1 to 17 years

Additional conditions can be treated, without the need to visit a GP.
Ask a member of your pharmacy team about the minor ailments scheme.

Step 1

Go to your local community pharmacy (chemist)
about your illness and they will offer advice.

Step 2

If needed, you will be offered treatment and
if you qualify, this will be given free of charge.

Step 3

A suitable medicine may be offered to you.*

*You qualify for free treatment if you do not pay for your prescriptions.



Find further information at:
www.thinkpharmacyfirst.health

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HELP



E-School Nurse Video Clinics

(By appointment only)



Twice weekly **online health support** and advice for **parents**, carers and professionals who are **supporting children and young people aged 5-19** years old.

Tuesday and Thursday

You will be able to talk to the nurse over a live video link using **Attend Anywhere**. The link is private, secure, confidential and convenient.

In consultation with you, the nurse will assess the child or young person's health problem and provide you with the support and advice needed.

For more information on the **E-School Nurse video clinic** please read the information leaflet or visit:

www.cumbria.gov.uk/ph5to19

You can telephone for an appointment

01228 603973 Mon-Fri 8-4pm



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Be the Reason a Local Child Stays Closer to Home in Cumbria



Every day in Cumbria, young people need a supportive place to call home. When local Foster carers aren't available, they may have to move further away from everything that's familiar to them. By becoming a Foster carer in Cumbria, you can help keep them close to everything that they know and love.

By Fostering with Community Foster Care, you're not just opening your home to a young person. You could be helping to keep them connected to the communities that are familiar to them as well!

To find out more about Fostering with a community-based charity, call us, drop us an email or scan the QR code to visit our website.



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Social Prescribing

Wellbeing Festival

Friday 8 August 2025, 10am - 3pm

Whitehaven Rugby League Club

Recreation Ground, Coach Road

Wellbeing support

Arts and crafts

Dance and music

**FREE
FUN
DAY**

Bouncy castles

Climbing wall

Plus lots more...

Special guests include Marathon Man Gary McKee and WRLFC mascot Pride the Lion

Food and drink on sale, plus free food for children, while stocks last
No dogs allowed, other than assistance dogs
A timetable of outdoor activities will be available on the day



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!Rosehill



Attendance and punctuality



Melbreak were our attendance winners this week with **100%**! Well done everyone !

The more children are in school the more the children have chances to succeed. Good attendance correlates strongly to good attainment and progress.

Our whole school attendance this week was **98.11%** , **3.61% higher** than the Primary National of **94.5%**. Thank you, we appreciate your commitment to helping us secure very good attendance. It really does pay dividends for your child's progress.

Attendance %	Days present in a school year	Average number of days missed per term	Days missed in a school year
100%	190	0	0
90%	171	6.33	19
80%	152	12.66	38
70%	133	19	57
60%	114	25.33	76
50%	95	31.66	95




































- 5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost per year
- 10 minutes lost per day = 6 days lost per year
- 15 minutes late each day = 10 days lost per year
- 20 minutes late every day = 13 days lost per year
- 30 minutes late every day = 19 days lost per year

Breakfast club/ After school club

Breakfast and After School Club Bookings are to be made in advance via our online system School Money. Please note that you cannot book via School Money on the day, all bookings must be made by midnight the day before. For emergency bookings at short notice you can still ring the school office. Feel free to book in for any odd sessions that your child would like to attend. Sessions run from 3.15pm- 5.15pm. The cost is £5.50 for the session, and pick up can be anytime up until 5.15pm from the Blencathra classroom which is around the back of school past the Nursery class.

Activities

Lots of different activities are provided each day for the children. They are welcome to choose from a variety of different games, crafts, construction and many other activities as well as our set activity for the day.

After School Club Activities 2024 - 2025 Summer 2					
W/C	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2nd June	Quiet Crafts 	Small World Play 	Outdoor Play 	Relaxation and Reading 	Games and Jigsaws 
9th June	Legos Club 	Painting and Arts 	Small World Animals 	Mindful Colouring 	Small World Cars and Trains 
16th June	Games and Jigsaws 	Small World Play 	Legos Club 	Quiet Crafts 	Relaxation & Reading Night 
23rd June	Music & Dance 	Outdoor Play 	Small World Trains & Cars 	Arts & Crafts 	Legos Club 
30th June	Outdoor Play 	Construction Club 	Small World Play 	Games and Jigsaws 	Mindful Colouring 
7th July	Teddy Bear's Picnic 	Small World Play 	Legos Club 	Quiet Crafts 	Outdoor Play 
14th July	Card Making 	Small World Play 	Mindful Colouring 	Outdoor Play 	School Breaks Up Early No After School Club 

*Feel free to book in for regular or one-off sessions if your child would like to attend
Sessions cost £5.50 for up to 2 hours
All bookings should be made via SchoolMoney*

Lunch Orders



School lunches need to be ordered through the School Money system. They can be ordered in advance for the rest of the half term but they must be ordered by the day before at the latest. If your child is bringing in a packed lunch from home, please ensure you select that option on School Money so that the office are aware. Packed lunches must not contain fizzy drinks or (as stated above) any items that contain or may contain nuts.

SUMMER WEEK 2

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato Pasta or Mince and Potato Pie or Broccoli Chocolate Krispie Cake or Fruit	Chicken / Quorn Nuggets Potato Wedges with Tomato Ketchup or Sticky Pork with Noodles Sweetcorn Raisin Flapjack or Fruit	Shredded Beef / Quorn Pieces with Gravy Mashed Potato and Carrots with Yorkshire Pudding or Cheese & Ham Wrap Stack with Cucumber Sticks and Raisins Artichoke Roll & Mandarins or Yoghurt	Pork or Vegan Sausages with Potato Waffles and Beans or Chicken Curry with Cous Cous and Broccoli Digestive Biscuit & Cheese with 1/2 Apple or Yoghurt	Cheeseburger in a Bun or Baked Fish and Mashed Potatoes Peas Syrup Sponge & Custard or Fruit

Upcoming diary dates



Monday 7th July- EYFS- First Aid training with Paul Seager

KS1- Trip to Clip and Climb

Wednesday 9th July (am)- KS1 Spanish Galleon Visit

Monday 14th July- Nursery trip to Maryport Aquarium (to be accompanied by a parent or Grandparent)

Wednesday 16th July 2.30pm - Year 2 Leavers Service at the church (Year 2 parents welcome)

Friday 18th July 1pm- End of summer term

- **Additional dates will be added in bold throughout the term**

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