



Westhead Lathom St James'

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24th November
2023

Dear Families,

On Friday last week, we celebrated Children in Need Day in school. The children enjoyed coming in non-uniform and there were lots of fluffy ears and spotty tops around. Thanks to you all for supporting this worthwhile cause. We raised £90 for the charity.

On Friday, we also held our Comedy Bingo fundraiser at Ormskirk High School. Thanks to everyone that supported by buying tickets, setting up and clearing away or giving donations of cash and prizes. The night was a huge success and following further donations since Friday the total raised was a massive £9100!!! A huge thanks to Becky Williams for coordinating this amazing event. The money raised will be paying for visitors and experience days in school and subsidising trips across the year.

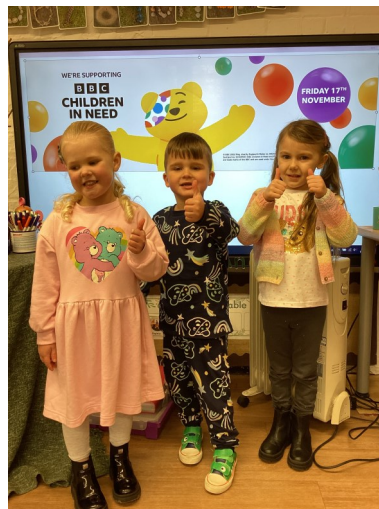
On Monday, our Wise Owls enjoyed a visit from Taylor's Farm. The children have been working hard in their latest Design Technology unit on food and are planning a feast for a celebration (I'm hoping for an invite)! During their visit from the farm the children learnt all about food miles and the impact on the environment.

Thank you to everyone who has attended Parents' Evenings over the past two weeks. It is great to share with you all how well your children are progressing in school. Our next Open Session will be held in Spring 1 on Monday 29th January 2024 at 2.45pm. We look forward to welcoming you in to share your children's work.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Miss Clark

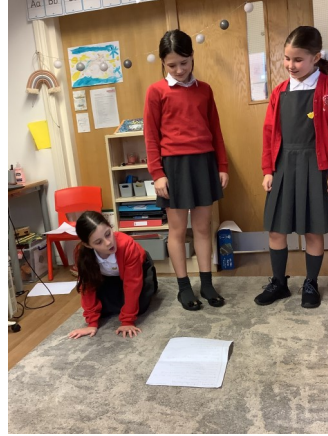
Children In Need Day!



Comedy Bingo




Drama Club!

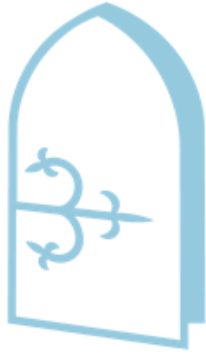


Stars of the week and Christian Values Bear awards!



	Ladybirds & Butterflies	Busy Bees	Eager Beavers	Wise Owls
	Serena Livesley	Oliver Forster	Pia Pickett	Noah Birkett

Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
Jack Wishart	Grace Rothwell	Matilda McGrath	Thomas Dolan	Oliver Newton	Zoe Delaney-Cain	Isla Alty
						



St James Westhead

KNOWING JESUS | MAKING HIM KNOWN

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER SERVICES

- 12th November: 10.30am Remembrance Service**
- 3rd December: 10.30am Advent Sunday:
Launch of Reverse Advent Calendar
Memory Tree Baubles
2.30pm-4.00pm Afternoon Tea - £5.00 each tickets
required.**
- 10th December 10.30am Tree Service:
Childrens presents must be new
And Unwrapped
Gifts will be given to:
The Liberty Centre
Ormskirk Foodbank**
- 17th December 4.00pm Carol Service with Haydock Brass Band**
- 24th December 2.30pm Christingle & Crib Service**
- 24th December 9.00pm Holy Communion**
- 25th December 9.30am Holy Communion**
- 31st December 10.30am Holy Communion**

Church

News

St James' Church, Westhead

Sunday Service 10.30am

For pastoral support and zoom log-
ins please contact—

Rev John Sephton on john-sephton1@yahoo.com or
07929512847



Christmas Dinner Wednesday 13th December 2023

We will also be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on the same day. Children can come to school in non-uniform wearing their Christmas Jumpers. Donations for Save the Children gratefully received.



Attendance Matters

What your child's
attendance figures
mean...

100% attendance	Zero days missed	Excellent!
99% attendance	Two days of absence across the year	Excellent!
97% attendance	Five days of absence across the year	Good
95% attendance	Nine days of absence across the year: one week and four days of learning missed.	Satisfactory
90% attendance	Nineteen days of absence across the year; three weeks and four days of learning missed	Poor
85% attendance	Twenty-eight days of absence across the year: five weeks and three days of learning missed.	Very Poor
80% attendance	Thirty-eight days of absence across the year: seven weeks and 3 days of learning missed.	Unacceptable
75% attendance	Educational Neglect Forty-six days of absence across the year: nine weeks and one day of learning missed.	Unacceptable

Attendance in school this week IS ONLY

Ladybirds/Butterflies 80%

Busy Bees 95.3%

Eager Beavers 95.8%

Wise Owls 85.2%

This week's best attenders are

Eager Beavers!

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Note-

**Absence should be reported to the office on
01695 574078 OR bursar@wlsj.lancs.sch.uk**

Please do not report absence to class

teachers, seesaw or school spider. Thanks

Dates for Your Diary

Wednesday 29th November	Visiting athlete leading a sponsored circuits event
Friday 1st December	PTA Christmas Movie Night
Wednesday 6th December	Classes to visit CAMEO to perform Christmas songs at village hall
Thursday 7th December	Wise Owls' Carol Concert at Christ Church, Aughton 11am
Sunday 10th December	10.30am Nativity at St James' Church, Westhead
Wednesday 13th December	Christmas Dinner and Jumper day
Thursday 14th December	Eager Beavers singing at Bretherton Court, Burscough
Monday 18th December	Eager Beavers and Wise Owls' Christmas Parties
Tuesday 19th December	Ladybirds, Butterflies and Busy Bees' Christmas Parties
Wednesday 20th December	Eager Beavers The Big Sing at Ormskirk High School
Thursday 21st December	2.30pm Helpers' Thank You
Friday 22nd December	Break for Christmas at 2pm
Monday 8th January	School opens for the new term
Wednesday 10th January	Wise Owls' Trip to Jodrell Bank
Monday 15th January	Year 2 and 6 Fire Talks
Wednesday 24th January	Mental Health Yogi Day (non-uniform)
Thursday 25th January	Eager Beavers' Stone Age Day (non-uniform warm clothes and wellies please)
Monday 29th January	Open Session 2.45pm
W/C 5th February	Year 1 Right Start Pedestrian Training
Wednesday 7th February	Young Voices Choir concert in Manchester
Friday 9th February	INSET Day
Saturday 10th February	PTA Photoshoots– Book your slot online
12th-16th February	Half Term Holiday