



Westhead Lathom St James'

Newsletter

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Dear Families,

At the end of last week our two Sports' Councillors attended a presentation event at Ormskirk Cricket Club where we received awards for Equality and School Games. The School Games mark is awarded in recognition of schools' commitment to PE, sport, providing opportunities for children to keep active and participation in inter-school events. We are thrilled to have once again been awarded the Gold Standard.

Thanks to everyone that supported the PTA spooky Disco we managed to raise £192! This money will be used to subsidise transport for school trips this year.

On Monday, we welcomed our new school photographer into school. The images will soon be available to order. We did have a few children off poorly on Monday but do not worry the photographer is going to pop back one morning in the next couple of weeks to catch up on those who missed out.

This week, some of Year 5 and 6 pupils went to an inter-school dodgeball competition at Our Lady Queen of Peace. The children were excellent representatives for our school and although they did not win they had good fun.

Next week the Intra-Health team will be in on 14th November for flu immunisations for those who have consented. On Friday 15th November we will be joining in with Children in Need and having a non-uniform day. Donations to the charity can be made through Gateway and we will forward this on to them.

Finally, a reminder that all after school clubs, breakfast club sessions and school meals must be booked in advance on School Gateway. We have strict ratios that we must adhere to for out of hours clubs. As you are aware our school meals are delivered from another school, the kitchen only send enough food for those that have made a booking so it is important that bookings are made in advance. Thank you for your support.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

CHURCH DATES AND EVENTS

This week... Sunday service is at 10.30am

The Fourth Sunday before advent, H/C service.

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Stars of the week and Christian Values Bear



	Ladybirds & Butterflies	Busy Bees	Eager Beavers	Wise Owls
	Luan L	Owen P	Charlotte N	Annie S

Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
Isaac N 	Elliot B 	Isla B 	Charlie W 	Summer B 	Oliver N 	Orrin A 

Our Dodgeball Team!



Save the Date!!

The PTA are delighted to announce a Westhead
Lathom St James' PTA Bingo Night at

The Village Hall

Monday 9th December!

More details to follow



Schoolgateway



School Gateway updates...

Please ensure that club bookings are made in advance. All sessions until Dec are now live.

You can cancel on the app 24 hrs before if you no longer need the space. Our sessions are filling up and some sessions are now full.

Many have already paid, but some balances are still outstanding. All Trip deposits should now be paid. Please check your payment sections to see what you owe.

I am still working on dinner charges and trying to alter the system settings as I am aware the payments are not reflecting balances. This is a manual task for each individual pupil on the system.

Balances on gateway will be amended once remittance has been sent from county. They run a month behind real time, Thanks

Diary Dates

Date	Event
Friday 8th November	Maths Hub
Monday 11th November	3.40pm Parents Evening
Tuesday 12th November	Full Governors meeting
Thursday 14th November	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 15th November	Children in need Non Uniform Day £1
Tuesday 19th November	EB Trip
Thursday 5th December	Panto
Sunday 8th December	Nativity at Church
Monday 16th December	PM Key stage 2 Christmas Party
Tuesday 17th December	AM EYFS AND Key Stage 1 Christmas Party
Friday 20th December	Break up at 2pm for Christmas Holidays

Attendance Matters

What your child's attendance figures mean...

All messages about illness/ absence and medical appointments or early collection, should be communicated to the office. This should be done via the gateway message. Emails and phone calls/ answer messages are fine also.

Please do not send messages about absence to seesaw/class teacher. Thanks, Tracy

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...

Ladybirds/Butterflies 99.1% Winners!

Busy Bees 93.1%

Eager Beavers 93.4%

Wise Owls 96.9%



Every term there is an opportunity for the class with the best attendance to win a special award.

A walk over to the village hall and attend the Mid stream coffee morning. Each child is able to have a cupcake and drink and engage in a morning social with the local community.



CHURCH in the HALL

Monday 18 NOVEMBER 3.30-4.20pm

Welcoming all mums, dads, grandparents, carers and of course, children, to the Village Hall

Come straight from school and relax together, enjoying snacks, drinks, singing, fun, a Bible story and a craft activity

Further information: minister@stjameswesthead.org.uk

Look Forward to Seeing you ALL .


Calling all ASDA shoppers!!

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Download the ASDA rewards app and opt into the 'Cash pot for Schools' campaign. Select Westhead Lathom St James from the list of registered schools and every time you shop at ASDA, you will earn money for our school.

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Opt into the Cashpot for Schools campaign and select a specific primary school or select 'Schools in Need'.	Asda will donate a percentage of your shop to your chosen school each time you shop and scan.	The money raised will be donated through Parentkind to schools to spend on what they need most. This won't affect your own Cashpot earn.

Once opted in and selected a school, we will add £1 to your chosen schools Cashpot to help get them started.