



# Westhead Lathom St James'

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Dear Families,

Last week, our lovely Eager Beavers had a fabulous time on their residential trip to Borwick Hall. The children represented school very well. On arrival we had a tour of the site before getting settled into bedrooms and facing the first challenge... MAKING BEDS! The children all worked together to make the beds with a bit of assistance from the grown ups. Parents, they have all now done this so I think this means one less job for you all at home now.

We then gathered in our groups to go off for an afternoon of bouldering, caving and climbing. It was wonderful to see the children all working together and encouraging one another. On the evening, we had a ice meal before celebrating Teddy and Saryah's Birthdays with a party! Come 11pm everyone was fast asleep.

Day 2 started with a delicious breakfast then a morning on the canal as a whole class. We learnt how to lash canoes to make a raft then enjoyed getting used to paddling and steering before playing some games. All in all it was a fabulous trip— one to remember!

On Tuesday, Dave and Daphne came to visit from church to launch this year's potato growing competition. The children enjoyed a fun assembly and demonstration on how to plant their seed potatoes. If you would like to take part this year then return your reply slips no later than 27th March.

On Sunday, church will be celebrating Palm Sunday at their Community Praise Service at 10.30pm with the appearance of a live donkey! It's sure to be a fun service and everyone is welcome to attend.

Next Thursday, at 9.30am we will be having our Easter Service in school which you are all welcome to attend. Following the service we will be hosting the Easter Bake Off. Cakes and refreshments £1 each. If your child wants to enter the Bake Off then bring in your entries on Thursday morning— no nuts please. We will also draw the Easter Raffle at this event. Tickets on sale now £2 a strip.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Miss Clark



# CHURCH DATES AND EVENTS

This weeks Sunday service

Plus a real Donkey at church!

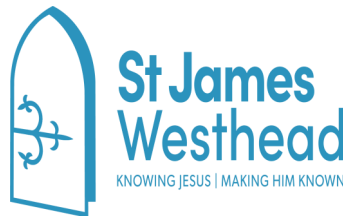
Palm Sunday

10.30am

Community Praise




admin@stjameswesthead.org.uk



## Stars of the week and Christian Values Bear



	<b>Ladybirds &amp; Butterflies</b>	<b>Busy Bees</b>	<b>Eager Beavers</b>	<b>Wise Owls</b>
	Nancy B	Lucie W	Ayda H	Alice L

Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
Owen P 	Grace R 	Markus B 	Summer B 	Samuel M 	Maddie D 	Megan H 

## Very special visitors in Early Years...



## Borwick Hall...



## Easter Raffle...

Look out for our PTA friends after school on the playground, they are selling raffle tickets for the Easter Hamper..

£2 a strip!





## Attendance Matters

What your child's  
attendance figures  
mean...

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

### Attendance in school this week...

Ladybirds/Butterflies 83.9%      Unacceptable

Busy Bees 91%      Poor

Eager Beavers 84.7%      Unacceptable

Wise Owls 82.7%      Unacceptable

**This week's best attenders are again Busy Bees!**

### Note-

**Absence should be reported to the office on  
01695 574078 OR [bursar@wlsj.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:bursar@wlsj.lancs.sch.uk)**

**Please do NOT report absence to class  
teachers, seesaw or school spider. Thanks**



Please see email re Easter Lunch

All dinner monies need to be paid  
by the end of term. £2.50 per

Thursday 28th March	Easter Service 9.30am and PTA Easter Bake off!
Thursday 28th March	Close for Easter holidays at 2pm
Monday 15th April	School reopens
w/c/ 15th April	Reception Right Start Pedestrian Training
Wednesday 24th April	Great Big Dance Off Competition
Thursday 25th April	Busy Bees' Trip to Catalyst Science Centre
Wednesday 8th May	Ladybirds and Butterflies trip to Ormskirk Library and Cafe
w/c 13th May	Year 6 SATs Week
Friday 17th May	Sports' Day
Friday 17th May	PTA Family BBQ
Thursday 23rd May	2.45pm Open Session
Monday 27th May–Friday 31st May	HALF TERM
Monday 3rd June	INSET Day