



Westhead Lathom St James'

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Dear Families,

What a busy week it has been in school this week.

On Monday, Tuesday and Thursday Forest School took place for over half the children in school. The weather has been much better this week and the sessions were really

enjoyable. The children made the most of the mud slide which I am sure parents realised once they saw the muddy clothes that returned home. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers that are helping make these sessions possible.

On Tuesday, three of our classes enjoyed gymnastics with our new coach from West Lancs Sports' Partnership. These lessons were fun and fast paced and the children worked incredibly hard. The children attending the club after school have also really

enjoyed the sessions and showed off some amazing skills.

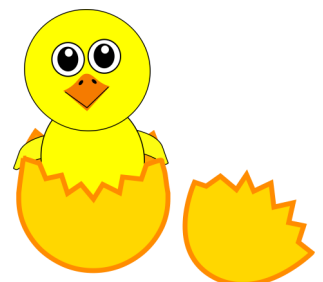
On Tuesday evening, our Year 5 and 6 Dodgeball team participated in an inter-school competition at Our Lady's High School. It was a tense evening of ups and downs but after some tough play off matches, we made it through to the final which I am pleased to say we won! Well done to all those that took part and to Miss Tither for accompanying the team. Thanks also to SHARES Lancashire for organising this event.

On Wednesday, our Dance Team went to Parris Hall in Warrington to take part in the Great Big Dance Off. This is a National competition and one which we have not entered previously. The competition was fierce with such a high standard demonstrated throughout the afternoon. I am pleased to announce that from 16 schools we placed a fabulous 3rd! Well done to all of the children that took part. A huge thanks to Mrs Forster for all the hard work she has put in coaching the team over the past 6 months and to Mrs Jones for the amazing costumes.

We have also had some new arrivals this week. Three chicks hatched yesterday in school. The children in each class have enjoyed observing the eggs in the incubator and tracking their progress as well as welcoming the three chicks we have so far. Lots of follow up work has also been completed in our science lessons throughout the week.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Miss Clark



CHURCH DATES AND EVENTS

This weeks Sunday service 10.30am

Community Praise

Music Group

admin@stjameswesthead.org.uk



Stars of the week and Christian Values Bear



	Ladybirds & Butterflies	Busy Bees	Eager Beavers	Wise Owls
	Elliot B	Class Award	Caitlin W	James R-W

Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
Eliza C 	Matilda M 	Charlotte N 	Loukas H 	Harry H 	Isaac K 	Max D-C



Dodgeball Winners...

Dancing super stars...



Can all children have wellies in school!

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...

Ladybirds/Butterflies 100 percent

Busy Bees 74 percent

Eager Beavers 95.7 percent

Wise Owls 92.7 percent

**This week's best attenders are Ladybirds
and Butterflies**

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

Please see email re Easter Lunch

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

Dates for the Diary!

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 5pm on the School Field
Thursday 23rd May	2.45pm Open Session
Monday 27th May–Friday 31st May	HALF TERM
Monday 3rd June	INSET Day