



# Westhead Lathom St James'

## Newsletter

Number 07

01/11/24

Dear Families,

It was lovely to welcome everyone back this week after the half term break for the run up to Christmas.

On Monday, our Year 4 pupils enjoyed their first Forest School session of the term. There were lots of muddy children afterwards which is always a sign of a good session. I know Mrs Parkinson has lots of exciting things planned for them over the half term.

On Tuesday, our Eager Beavers started their art unit on Deborah Roberts. Mrs Wood was incredibly impressed with how much the children remembered from their previous units of work and with their fabulous sketch book pages which they created in the lesson. Well done everyone!

On Wednesday night, our fabulous PTA hosted their annual spooky disco. It was great to see the children having so much fun. There were some fabulous costumes too!

A reminder that on Monday morning we have our school photos and in the afternoon our parents' evening. When you arrive for parents' evenings the children's books will be in the main corridor where we ask you to wait then the teachers will call you over for your appointment in the Studio when they are ready for you. Thank you.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Clark



## CHURCH DATES AND EVENTS

This week... Sunday service is at 10.30am

The Fourth Sunday before advent, H/C service.

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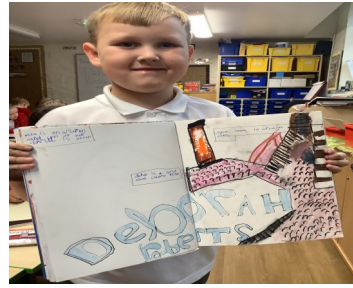
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## Stars of the week and Chris- tian Values Bear



	Ladybirds & Butterflies	Busy Bees	Eager Beavers	Wise Owls
	Freddie C	Lillia H	Matilda M	Maisie C

Reception	Busy Bees		Eager Beavers		Wise Owls	
Jacob C 	Benjamin A 	Amber K 	Xavier L 	Harriett D 	Samuel M 	Zoe DC 



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
Monday 4th November	Year 4 Forest school x6 Weeks
Monday 4th November	1:30pm Parents Afternoon
Monday 4th November	<b>9am School Photographs</b>
Tuesday 5th November	EYFS Forest School
Friday 8th November	Maths Hub
Monday 11th November	3.40pm Parents Evening
Tuesday 12th November	Full Governors meeting
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

<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 97%

Winners!

Busy Bees 96.2%

Eager Beavers 94.5%

Wise Owls 95%



*Midstream Coffee Morning!*

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.




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