



St. Mary's

Church of England Primary School
Kirkby Lonsdale

Friday 26.09.25



Honesty



Trust



Responsibility



Perseverance



Respect



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Behaviour and Attitudes	Outstanding
Personal Development	Outstanding
Leadership and Management	Outstanding
EYFSP Provision	Outstanding

This week, we took the time to celebrate **National Teaching Assistant Day** and recognize the incredible work of our dedicated TAs. They are truly the unsung heroes of our school! Our Teaching Assistants work tirelessly to support our children in countless ways. They are constantly by their side, offering academic challenge and support, skillfully working to plug gaps in learning and help every child reach their potential. But their support goes far beyond academics. Our TAs are also instrumental in providing emotional support, offering a listening ear and a steady presence that helps our children navigate the ups and downs of school life. Many of them are specialists in their field, bringing a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our classrooms. We are so grateful for their hard work, their dedication, and the incredible skills they bring to our school community. Thank you, TAs—you are superstars!

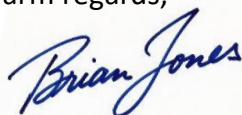
It's been another incredibly busy and successful week for our pupils! **Year 5 and 6** showed amazing resilience and team spirit during their overnight stay this week. They tackled a fantastic set of **outdoor challenges**, including shelter building, tree identification, and team-building activities. A huge well done to all of them for sustaining their focus and energy even when they returned to school afterward! We also want to congratulate the children who represented our school at the **invitational running event at Sedbergh Prep**. It was a wonderful opportunity to compete and be part of their autumn programme. The new **Cross Country Club with Mr. Yates** kicked off on Wednesday! It's open to all Year 3-6 pupils, and we encourage everyone to come along (just remember the right clothing and footwear!).

Our Year 2 pupils enjoyed a wonderful visit to the **Library this week**. This is a brilliant opportunity to encourage them to choose and truly love reading for pleasure—a skill that will last a lifetime. Finally, we had a brilliant time celebrating **European Languages Day!** It was a fantastic way to begin our French lessons for the academic year, with children exploring French spoken in different countries and gaining a deeper understanding of those cultures. We are so proud of the enthusiasm and effort all our pupils have demonstrated this week!

It is a joy to see so many children wanting to take part in Miss Broome's art club, with the first session exploring painting with blackberries, found locally.

I am sure everyone needs a rest and I hope the weekend proves to be restful.

Warm regards,



Mr Jones on behalf of the
The School Team

Next Week:

Tuesday – Stone Age Day – Year 3 Visit to St Catherine's Wood, Windermere

Wednesday – Year 2 Leyland Transport Museum

Thursday – Casterton Invitational Swimming Gala

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Each year Mr Guidici hopes to inspire new musicians to take up the clarinet or saxophone. If you would like to find out about lessons, which take place on Fridays, please contact the school office.

Domino drive at Casterton Village Hall Friday 3rd October at 19:00



Come along to the village hall for a family-friendly, fun evening of dominoes.

Entry costs £4 for adults & £1 for children (cash or card payments).

Nibbles will be provided. Feel free to bring your drink of choice.

Prize for the winner, plus the chance to win at the raffle.

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