



**A massive St John's well done to all our Silverdale Stars this week.**

**CURLEWS – Georgia**

For showing confidence when reading with expression and intonation in guided reading and individually in class.

Well done Georgia!

**BITTERNS – Henry**

For trying hard, for being an overcomer and showing smiling in the face of adversity

**HARRIERS – Sophie**

For your positive attitude and good sense of humour! You're always smiling and a joy to teach.

**New winners - Mathletics**



'Well done' to Toby, who has his first Gold award for Mathletics. An amazing effort. We are very proud of you Toby.

**Coffee Morning**

Mrs Blackburn is hosting a coffee morning tomorrow. Why not pop along to support? There will be a scavenger hunt, a raffle, tea and cake, and a whole loada fun!!!

**Cross Country**

A HUGE well done to Billy, Jake, Fabian, Thomas S, Harry, Baine, Charlie Sc for doing so well at the Cross Country yesterday. Mrs Forster said you were awesome! Year 3/4 finished with Gold, Silver and Bronze. Year 5/6 were in the top 10 too! Well done to Athena for being photographer and to Chimene and Lorraine for supporting. It was very soggy!

**Parent Meetings**

Thanks to all parents, that attended these. We will reschedule the Bitterns for early in the summer term. Many apologies for this. We wish Mrs Knight a speedy recovery.

**Governor news**

Our Full Governor meeting last Tuesday, was almost fully attended. We thank everyone for their contributions and we seek to fulfil the vision of inspiring success through learning, community and faith. It was tinged with sadness as we said goodbye to Janet Barton. Janet has been chair of the business committee for 5 years. She has been such a support to school – particularly through COVID and lockdowns, and more recently the appointment of a new HT. The playground project has been her parting 'push' for improving school. We wouldn't have managed it without Janet's wisdom and guidance. I'm sure we will see lots of Janet in school in the days to come, but for now a HUGE thankyou from all at Silverdale St John's

**Horticultural Show**

We are ready and raring to go, for this. The class entries have all been taken to the Gaskell Hall already. The children loved making their entries with Anna and the team last Monday. I wonder if we will get any prizes this year? We did REALLY well last year, with our snowdrop theme. The Horticultural show is tomorrow. If you have never been to the show it is a lovely village tradition, which the children love to be part of with so many colourful crafts/plants on display and of course lots of homemade cake!

**Class Blogs**

It's Curlews' class this week! Please [click](#) on the link to gain an insight into what the children have been learning in class. Please also check out our school [Facebook](#) page.

**Lunches**

**Week 1 WC 25.03.24**



**Friday thought**

But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. —Romans 3:21-22



Have you considered turning the subtitles on while your child watches TV? Studies have shown they can have a substantial positive effect on a child's reading ability as they move through school. Having the subtitles on allows them to increase their understanding that the words they see represent the words they hear.

Does anyone have any more motivational ideas to encourage us to read more? If so, email Miss Sanderson with your ideas.

## Easter Competitions

It's competition time... Why not enter one of the amazing competitions run by our school council?

Easter Baking competition. Entries £2  
(send photos to Miss Sanderson)

Design your own Easter hat competition.  
Entries £2

Easter Egg hunt. Free for all

Decorate an egg competition. Entries £2

Easter colouring competition. Entries £1

Judging will take place next Thursday.

Get busy everyone!



## The Big Walk and Wheel

In spite of the weather, 48% of our journeys to school this week have been walking, cycling or scooting. Well done to everyone who has joined in this initiative this week. The class that completed the most journeys – on foot or by scooter or bike, were CURLEWS!!! Well done to everyone for taking part. Why not continue coming 'under your own steam' for the remainder of this term, and into next term?

## Next Week...

25.03.24 – Holy Week starts  
26.03.24 – Vision checks Reception class  
26.03.24 – Miss Jackson and Miss Sanderson. Analyse data/tracking  
26.03.24 – Curlews leading working in church at 1440  
27.03.24 – Mrs Tetchner working with teaching and learning consultant  
27.03.24 - Holly from NISCU Easter dance with Bitterns 09:30  
27.03.24 – Miss Jackson working with school advisor  
28.03.24 – End of term reports go out to parents  
28.03.24 – Speech and Language therapist in school  
END OF SPRING TERM!!!  
Have a lovely holiday everyone  
CHECK THE SCHOOL [WEBSITE CALENDER](#) FOR FUTURE DIARY DATES

## Holy Week and Mary

Very unusually, we will be in school for Holy Week this year. To celebrate this time, the children will be doing a little worship every day.

**Curlews and Starlings on Tuesday.**

**Bitterns on Wednesday**

**Harriers on Thursday.**

Each service will start at 14:40. There will be no morning worships in that week.

We will also be saying goodbye to Mary as part of the Thursday service, as she sets sail on her journey into retirement.

If anyone would like to contribute towards a gift for Mary, please drop it into the school office.

## Field Day Meeting

Wednesday 27th March at 8pm at The Silverdale Hotel. The more the merrier! There are lots of little ways people can get involved beforehand and on Field Day itself - doesn't need to be a big commitment. And obviously the more people volunteer, the more we can share the work.

## Attendance and sickness

Curlews - 77.5%

Bitterns – 76.8%

Harriers – 80.1%

We have had a lot of poorly children in school this week. We pray for good health next week.

If you are not sure whether or not your child should be in school, check out this [website](#)