

# St James' C of E Academy

## Newsletter



Autumn 6 - 10-10-25

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*This half term we will be focusing on the Christian value of Hope*

Dear Parents

It was lovely to see so many children joining in our 'Wear Yellow' day today and helping to raise awareness. Celebrating by wearing yellow is an opportunity to show young people that they're not alone with their mental health and for us to be even more aware of the things we can do to look after our own mental health.

Hopefully most of you will have been able to sign up for a Parents' Evening slot on Clasdojo. We hope that you will all be able to book an appointment with your child's class teacher but if you are having difficulties, or are not able to make the times offered, please contact your child's class teacher via Clasdojo and they will do their best to help you.

Next week we are pleased to be welcoming the Scholastic book fair to school. The book fair will be open after school on Monday and Tuesday. Please watch out for more details on Clasdojo.

Have a great weekend! Best wishes, Laura Richards

*Let Your Light Shine*

### ATTENDANCE

Reception 94.62%

Year 1 98.75%

Year 2 98.70%

Year 3 98.95%

Year 4 95.60%

Year 5 94.80%

Year 6 93.48%

Well done to Year 3 who have this week's highest attendance!

### USEFUL DATES

16/10/25 - Parents' Evening, 3.30-5.30pm

21/10/25 /22/10/25 - Rescheduled due to mop Parents' Evening, Times to be advised.

24/10/25 - Training Day - school closed to pupils

27/10/25 - 31/10/25 - Half term

03/11/25 - Children return to school

14/11/25 - Children in need - non uniform

19/11/25 Year 6 residential

24/11/25 Assessment week

28/11/25 Christmas Art workshop day

05/12/25 PTFA Christmas cake break

09/12/25 KS1 theatre visit- The tiger who came to tea

11/12/25 Christmas jumper day

16/12/25 KS2 theatre visit- Peter Pan

17/12/25 KS2 Carol service in church 2:30pm



## Calculating Champions

*This half term, we are celebrating children who have really shone in maths lessons and demonstrated a great understanding of the learning in these lessons this week.*

**Year 1**– Vinnie for his perseverance and resilience in maths.

**Year 2**– Clara for always trying hard in maths lessons.

**Year 3**– Louie for his effort, listening and understanding in maths.

**Year 4** - Chloe for excellent concentration and effort in maths.

**Year 5** - Oliver for his brilliant problem solving in maths.

**Year 6** - The whole class for their effort and perseverance in learning challenging long division.



Congratulations to for earning the most team points this week



WEEK ONE	Option One	Option Two	Vegetables	Dessert
<b>01/09/25</b> <b>22/09/25</b> <b>13/10/25</b>	Macaroni Cheese	Tomato and Lentil Pasta	Vegetables of the Day	Apple Flapjack
	BBQ Chicken Pizza with Salads	Mild Chilli with Rice	Vegetables of the Day	Summer Lemon Cake
	Roasted Pork Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegan sausage, Roast potatoes, & Gravy	Vegetables of the Day	Fruit Platter
	Spaghetti Bolognese	<b>NEW</b> Chefs Special Chickpea Curry with Rice	Vegetables of the Day	Savoury Cheese Scone
	Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce	Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce	Vegetables of the Day	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins

### LUNCHTIME SUPERSTARS

- Reception– Emma for independent use of cutlery!
- Year 1— Arlo for mastering independently using his cutlery to scoop and eat his jacket potato.
- Year 2– Layla for following instructions at lunchtime.
- Year 3– Oscar for remembering to say thank you and please.
- Year 4– Jackson for remembering the rules of the hall.
- Year 5– Oliver for being a fantastic helper in the hall.
- Year 6– Freddie– Harry H for his excellent manners.

### Team Points

Our students earn team points for their academic efforts and achievements across all lessons.

Well done to these children who have earned their Bronze award.

**Year 1 - Grace**

**Year 5 - Jessie, Ted, Toby C, Jessica**

**Year 6 - Freddie**

House teams can see their running total for the year on display in the hall. Keep up the hard work everyone!

### STAY FOCUSSED



We concentrate on one task at a time, giving that task 100% of our attention, and don't allow ourselves to be distracted by anything else

This half term, we will be concentrating on our first SHINE value - Stay focussed. It has been great to see children continuing to work hard to demonstrate this value all around school this week - both in class, during collective worship and at lunchtimes.

For more information, our Shine Values posters are on the school website [here](#).

