

# St James' C of E Academy

## Newsletter



Summer 10 - 04-07-25

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Wow - this week has been jam-packed full of events and activities. Year 6 had two incredibly successful transition days at Southam College where they have begun learning about routines, meeting new teachers and making new friends. They have all conducted themselves brilliantly and we are very proud of them all.

On Wednesday afternoon, pupils in school all spent time with their new teachers in their new classrooms. The atmosphere in school was one of excitement and fun as children took part in activities that helped them prepare for the new school year and a settled start in September. At the same time, we welcomed our brand-new Reception class into school who had a great time getting to know Mrs Littler and Mrs Wade.

Finally, we have ended our week with prospectus filming in school, a trip to the Mad Museum for Year 1 and a 'Wow' day with pizza, ice-creams and some Italian speaking for Reception, supported by Year 6. Thank you to everyone who has helped plan and support these amazing enrichment events which help embed learning and give children memories for years to come. Look out for photos on Dojo to see what children got up to.

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend, Laura Richards

*Let Your Light Shine*

### ATTENDANCE

Our attendance data this year shows some big improvements on last year and we are really proud of all our pupils and grateful for your support in ensuring children are in school, on time, every day.

As we draw nearer to the end of the school year, there are more events and activities happening in school than ever. We hope that this will encourage children to keep up great attendance right to the very end of the final week. Remember, if you have concerns, need some support or would like to chat

to us about anything attendance related, please contact the school office.



### USEFUL DATES

#### 04/07/25 - PTFA Summer ice-cream break

09/07/25 - Academy Governance Meeting - 6.30pm

10/07/25 - New Reception 2025 intake visit 1.15-2.15pm

17/07/25 - Final Celebration Collective Worship - **THURSDAY!**

18/07/25 - Year 6 Leaver's Assembly - 9am

18/07/25 - Break up for summer holiday

01/09/25 - Training Day - school closed to pupils

02/09/25 - Training Day - school closed to pupils

03/09/25 - Children return to school for the new school year

#### 15/09/25 - PTFA Activate launch in Collective worship

17/09/25 - Individual school photos in school

#### 25/09/25 - PTFA school discos

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

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

03/11/25 - Pupils return to school



## Education Experts



**Reception** - Arlo for always trying his hardest and making huge improvements in his writing.

**Year 1** - were busy having fun on their trip - there will be 2 experts next week.

**Year 2** - Jack for always taking an active role in lessons and generally being a star.

**Year 3** - All of Year 3 for working really hard in their maths lessons about time.

**Year 4** - Aicha for always doing her best, working hard and having a positive approach.

**Year 5** - Larry for using creative and technical language, his great effort and for being proud of what he produces.

**Year 6** - were at Southam College on a transition visit - there will be 2 experts next week.

Congratulations to **Ruby** who are our winning team this week!



## WEEK ONE

28/04/25  
19/05/25  
16/05/25  
07/07/25

Option One



Macaroni Cheese

BBQ Chicken Pizza with Salads

Pork Sausage, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Spaghetti Bolognese

Fishfingers with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Option Two

Tomato and Lentil Pasta

Mild Mexican Chili with Rice

Vegan Sausage, Roast Potatoes, & Gravy

NEW Chefs Special Chickpea Curry with Rice

Cheese & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce

Vegetables

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Dessert

Apple Flapjack

Summer Lemon Cake

Fruit Platter

Savoury Cheese Scone

Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins

## LUNCHTIME SUPERSTARS

**Reception** - Jackser for trying new food

**Year 1** - James for playing nicely and sharing toys

**Year 2** - Eliza for being polite and having lovely manners.

**Year 3** - Skyla for being polite and having great manners.

**Year 4** - Oliver C for always listening and remembering to wash his hands.

**Year 5** - Alex for his good manners and politeness.

**Year 6** - George R for helping midday supervisors out.

Well done to you all - we hope you enjoyed your treat and visit to top table.

## Team Points



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

This week we are awarding certificates to:

### Silver 100 Certificates

**Year R** - Georgia

### Gold 200 Certificates

**Year 4** - Ted

### Platinum 300 Certificates

**Year**

Congratulations to you all - we are super proud of you for all your hard work.

### STAY FOCUSED



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

### HONESTY



We always tell the truth and this means that we are trusted by others.

### INDEPENDENCE



We take ownership of our own learning. We try and complete our learning by ourselves first before we ask for support.

### NEVER GIVE UP



We bounce back after challenges and tough times. We know that we can overcome difficulties.

### ENCOURAGE OTHERS



We acknowledge, appreciate, celebrate, respect and support the learning of others.

This term we will be focusing on all of our Shine values. We have encouraged pupils to focus on the value they think will help them the most.

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

