

St James' C of E Academy

Newsletter



Summer 9 - 27-06-25

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful to welcome so many of you to our Sports Day and family picnic today. We are very grateful for you all reorganising your calendars to be able to make our rescheduled date. Thankfully the temperatures were a little cooler than last week and everyone was able to enjoy a day full of sporting fun together. We are particularly proud of all of our pupils- for showing off their sporting talents, trying their absolute best and demonstrating great sportsmanship. Well done for all shining your lights so brightly today!

Next week we look forward to our transition visits. Year 6 will be spending two days at Southam College and on Wednesday, the whole school will 'move up' for an afternoon to their new classes. They will spend time getting to know their new teachers and taking part in activities that will help prepare them for September.

Next Thursday we will also have some filming happening in school for our new online prospectus. Please look out for a separate letter about permissions for this. The prospectus will include lots of up to date information and hopefully bring our school to life - please keep your fingers crossed for a dry, sunny day so we can literally 'shine' on camera.

Best wishes and have a lovely weekend, Laura Richards

Let Your Light Shine

ATTENDANCE

Our attendance data so far 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

- 02/07/25 - More Tea Vicar - 12 noon
- 02/07/25 - Y6 transition day 1 and Moving up afternoon in school
- 02/07/25 - New Reception 2025 intake visit 1.15-2.15pm
- 03/07/25 - Y6 Transition day 2
- 03/07/25 - Online prospectus filming in school
- 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 - change of day
- 18/07/25 - Year 6 Leaver's Assembly - 9am
- 18/07/25 - Break up for summer holiday
- 01/09/25 and 02/09/25 - Training Days
- 03/09/25 - Children return to school for the new school year



Education Experts



Reception - Noah for trying hard when things get tricky and being more independent with his writing.

Year 1 - Clara for being positive towards learning, making links with her knowledge and learning new vocabulary.

Year 2 - Louie for wonderful behaviours and effort in most lessons.

Year 3 - Edward for his enthusiasm in all subjects.

Year 4 - Oliver for his imaginative story writing work.

Year 5 - Reuben for his fabulous effort in English and writing and working so hard.

Year 6 - Ben for being good all round in his work, and always putting the effort in.

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



WEEK THREE

12/05/25
09/06/25
30/06/25

Option One

Tomato Pasta



NEW Green Thai Chicken Curry with Rice

Roast of the day, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

NEW Greek Macaroni Pastitsio (Like Lasagne) with Greek Salad

Breaded Fish and Chips

Option Two

Classic Vegan Bolognese



NEW Chefs Special Five Bean Savoury Rice

Veg Wellington, Roast Potatoes & Gravy

Cheese & Tomato Whirl with Rice, Greek Salad and Tzatziki

All Day Vegetarian Breakfast

Vegetables

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Dessert

Pear & Cocoa Upside Down Cake

Cheese and Crackers

Fruit Medley

Jam and Coconut Sponge

Oaty Cookie



LUNCHTIME SUPERSTARS



There are no Lunchtime superstars this week - we all enjoyed our Family Picnic and having a packed lunch together on the field.



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 5 - Noel, Josie

Gold 200 Certificates

Year 1 - Aoife **Year 4** - Jack J

Year 5 - Austin, Zarin

Year 6 - George R, Ruben, Phoebe, Eleanor, Maya, Cai

Platinum 300 Certificates

Year 1 - Oscar

<p>STAY FOCUSED</p> <p>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.</p>	
<p>HONESTY</p> <p>We always tell the truth and this means that we are trusted by others.</p>	
<p>INDEPENDENCE</p> <p>We take ownership of our own learning. We try and complete our learning by ourselves first before we ask for support.</p>	
<p>NEVER GIVE UP</p> <p>We bounce back after challenges and tough times. We know that we can overcome difficulties.</p>	
<p>ENCOURAGE OTHERS</p> <p>We acknowledge, appreciate, celebrate, respect and support the learning of others.</p>	

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](#).

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

