

St James' C of E Academy

Newsletter



Summer 5 06-06-25

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an action-packed first week back in school. This week has seen Year 3 enjoy an amazing Greek Myths and Legends day to culminate their learning in History. The pupils (and staff!) all looked fantastic and thoroughly enjoyed their day. Thank you for your support with costumes and to Mrs Russell for her hard work planning. Year 4 have also all completed their multiplication checks this week too - well done to all of them for doing so really calmly and sensibly. Your work on Times Table Rock Stars has clearly really been helping!

Next week Year 1 will complete their phonic screening check with Mrs Crow and have chance to show off their wonderful phonics knowledge. We know you will all try hard and shine your lights brightly.

We are also welcoming our school photographer in on Friday to take class photographs so we hope children will all come to school 'super smart' and complete with their best smiles. This is not an opportunity for individual photographs or siblings - these will take place early in the Autumn term.

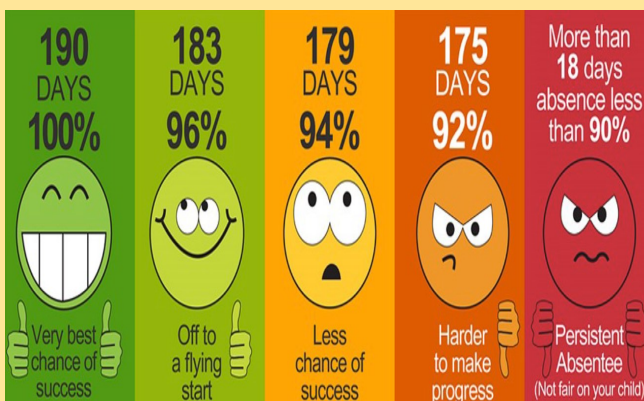
Have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes, Laura Richards

Let Your Light Shine

ATTENDANCE

Welcome back! Thank you to those of you who have made such a great, prompt start to the final half term of the school year.



USEFUL DATES

- 11/06/25 - Area athletics reserve date
- 13/06/25 - Class photos in school
- 18/06/25 - Information evening for **new** Reception parents
- 20/06/25 - Sports Day and Family Picnic on the field
- 27/06/25 - Non uniform day - Rainbow raffle donations
- 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
- 04/07/25 - PTFA Summer cake/ice-cream break**
- 10/07/25 - New Reception 2025 intake visit 1.15-2.15pm**
- 09/07/25 - Academy Governance Meeting - 6.30pm
- 18/07/25 - Break up for summer holiday**





Sports Superstars

Reception - Rupert for his excellent effort in all PE lessons.

Year 1 - Eliza for showing resilience and perseverance when building stamina during PE lessons.

Year 2 - Alex for his brilliant effort and enthusiastic participation in PE lessons.

Year 3 - Year 3 athletes for showing good sportsmanship in the face of disappointment - Albie, Jackson, Edward, Elliot, Thomas, Dexter, Grace, Millie, Hettie, Amelia

Year 4 - Ruby for never giving up and improving in PE.

Year 5 - Kiki and Maeve for demonstrating excellent skills and modelling amazing sportsmanship.

Year 6 - Jenna for super throwing skills in PE.

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



WEEK THREE

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

Option One

Smokey Bean Burger with Potato Wedges



NEW Green Thai Chicken Curry with Rice



Roast Turkey, 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



Spinach and Cheese 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



Congratulations to all of our lunchtime superstars this week!

Reception - Ivy-Rose for settling in amazingly.

Year 1 - James - eating broccoli even though it's not his favourite.

Year 2 - Bobbi-Jo for settling in amazingly.

Year 3 - Dexter for playing nicely on the playground.

Year 4 - Bella for being super polite and using her manners.

Year 5 - Jessica for always being polite and gentle at lunchtimes.

Year 6 - Stanley for using his manners at lunchtime.

We hope you all enjoyed your top table reward and treat.



Team Points



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

This week we are awarding certificates to:

Bronze 50 Certificates

Reception - Remy

Silver 100 Certificates

Reception - Rupert **Year 2** - Arthur, Poppy

Year 4 - Fraser, Tommy **Year 5** - Charlie

Gold 200 Certificates

Year 1 - Leo, Hawa, Louis, Eliza

Year 3 - Alana, Skyla **Year 4** - Daphne, Aicha

Year 6 - Josh, Seb

Platinum 300 Certificates

Year 3 - Grace

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](#).