



# St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023**



At St James' Church of England Primary School, we reflect many Christian Values. We also focus on our 'Core Values' of **Endurance, Forgiveness, Friendship, Koinonia, Peace, Thankfulness** and **Trust**.

Our School Motto is based on Matthew 13 – Parable of the Sower, 'Growing in God's love, learning as we go.'

Dear Parents/ Carers,

This week we have been working hard through the bitter, cold weather and it has been fantastic to see the children making superb progress in all areas of their lessons. Thank you to parents and our children who managed to give their home reading a push over the week and begin to get closer to receiving their first stamps on their "StarBOOKS" reading loyalty cards. It was also brilliant to see our librarians continue to push reading through school, by running our Library Café for Yr3 and Yr4 during lunchtime on Wednesday.



Best wishes

*Gary Lloyd*

Deputy Headteacher

## ★ Stars of the Week ★

R – Harlee	5 – Faiza
R – Eshaal	5 – Aleesa
1 – Breerah	6 – Shahzana
1 – Aryan	6 – Veer
2 – Harrison	<i>Well done to</i>
2 – Maliah	<i>all our winners</i>
3 – Annalease	<i>this week.</i>
3 – Sufyan	<i>Keep up the</i>
4 – April	<i>great work.</i>
4 – Mosa	



## Values Kindness Golden Tie Award

R Skylar	R Dennis
1 Keira	1 Riyadh
2 Zayan	2 Ashton
3 Sophie	3 Zurarah
4 Huzaifa	4 Lanwe
5 Caine	5 Ruby
6 Makenzzi	6 Taiba



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## The School's Attendance

**Target is 96%**

Class	Attendance
Reception	91%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	94%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94%</b>

This week's winner is...  
**Year 1**

## Parking and Dropping off on Regent Street

Over the last few days, and in the frost, we have noticed an increase in issues before and after school on Regent Street. Please can I remind parents not to park on the zig zag area which needs to be a safer place for children at the school entrance and kept clear. This includes dropping children off for a few seconds on the zigzags too. This is so our children and families are safe to cross the road when coming to school. Thank you for your continued support.



## Year 5 and Year 6 Dodgeball Competition

Congratulations to our Year 5 and Year 6 Dodgeball Teams for some fantastic teamwork and effort at their competition at The Valley this week. St James' Year 5 played some fantastic dodgeball and came a well-deserved 3rd place with St James' Year 6 coming 1st to reach the regional finals next week! Most importantly, well done everybody as we also won the "Honesty" values award for showing sportsmanship throughout our games.



## Attendance and Punctuality

As we settle back into school routine, it is a sensible time to talk about the importance of attendance and punctuality again. As a school we need your child in to be able to ensure they reach their maximum potential. Please support us and your child by ensuring they are in school every day, on time and ready to learn. Thanks in advance.



## Year Group News - Year 4

In year 4 this half term, we have been scientific investigators! We have been learning all about the digestive system and completed an "interesting" investigation on how food travels through our digestive system. Year 4 have also been working hard to improve their Rugby and Swimming skills in P.E. There has also been a huge improvement in home readers and answering questions based on what we have read.

## Welcome to Year 4



### Worship and Reflection

Dear God,  
Help us to take the good lessons that our teachers, important adults and other pupils give us in our school and at home and turn them into a good foundation that will help and support us now and in the future. Help us to be wise in our decisions and our actions.



Amen

*"Growing in God's love, learning as we go"*

### Dates for The Diary

**27<sup>th</sup> January** – First Steps with Coding KS1 - Parental Workshop  
**3<sup>rd</sup> February** – Ozobots KS1 - Parental Workshop  
**3<sup>rd</sup> February** - Y5 and Y6 Textiles Art Trip – Helmschore Textiles  
**7<sup>th</sup> February** – Safer Internet Day  
**10<sup>th</sup> February** – Lego Robotics KS1 - Parental Workshop  
**10<sup>th</sup> February** – Finish for Half Term (3:10pm)  
**24<sup>th</sup> February** – First Steps with Coding KS2 - Parental Workshop  
**2<sup>nd</sup> March** – World Book Day  
**3<sup>rd</sup> March** – Ozobots KS2 - Parental Workshop  
**10<sup>th</sup> March** – Lego Robotics KS2 - Parental Workshop  
**31<sup>st</sup> March** – Finish for Easter (1:30pm)

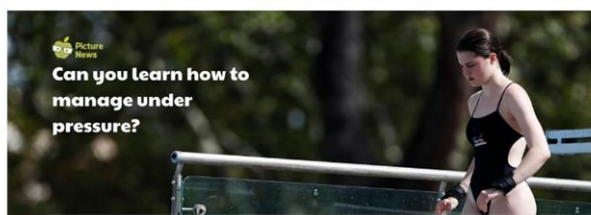


### Online Safety Tip

Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom: it lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio to build custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans. In the guide, you'll find tips on a number of potential risks such as in-app purchases and contact with strangers.



### Picture News & British Value!



Can you learn how to manage under pressure?



**British Values**

### Mutual Respect and Tolerance

We are all different so the way we respond to the demands or pressures we may face will be different too. We understand and respect that not everyone is the same and everyone needs to be treated as an individual.

### Protected Characteristics

'I think this year especially has shown that women are strong and nothing can stop you doing what you want to do. Your age or gender don't stop you.' – diver, Andrea Spendolini-Sirieix



### Staff Shout Out

Each week we celebrate our amazing staff and the hard work they put in for everybody at school. Our winner this week is.....



### Miss Crilly

because she is always positive and hard working in all predicaments.