

St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter Friday 24th February 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,

It has been a fantastic and busy week as we welcome the children back to school following the half-term break. We are excited to see the work on our EYFS Outdoor provision start to provide a new area for our children to improve their Physical Development. We are



looking forward to seeing the children making the most of this amazing space. We also welcomed Cyberwise this week who continued our amazing work with Online Safety sessions with Yr4, Yr5 and Yr6

Frances Brady & Gary Lloyd

Headteacher Deputy Headteacher

Stars of the Week		
R – Amanah	5 – Thomas	
R – Bella	5 – Reece	
1 – Jenson	6 – Ethan	
1 – Hibba	6 – Tanisa	
2 – Harrison	Well done to	
2 – Reece	all our winners	
3 – Year 3	this week.	
3 – Florence	Keep up the	
4 – Salahuddin	great work.	
4 – Aneesah		



<u>Values</u>	<u>Kindness</u>
Golden Tie	<u>Award</u>
R Benjamin	R Yahya
1 Brooke	1 Jake
2 Oscar	2 Haleema
3 Naeem	3 Ameliah
4 Qasim	4 Umar
5 Tanisha	5 Obi
6 Ruth	6 Muhammad
	Lilly-Mai B Yr4

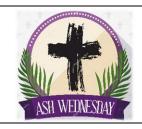
The School's Attendance Target is 96%	
Class	Attendance
Reception	100%
Year 1	98%
Year 2	100%
Year 3	92%
Year 4	99%
Year 5	92%
Year 6	94%
TOTAL	96%
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Reception and Year 2

Ash Wednesday – Wednesday 22nd February

On Wednesday, we welcomed Father David into school to take part in our Ash Wednesday service in school. It was fantastic to understand the meaning of Ash Wednesday and focusing on the reason Christians celebrate Lent. We have also added dashes of purple across school to represent the season of Lent as we prepare for Easter. I wonder if any of our St James' family have given anything up for the season of Lent.



Yr5/6 Boys Badminton Competition – Tuesday 21st February

Congratulations to our Yr5/6 Boys Badminton teams on reaching a superb 2nd and 4th place at the competition. All showed fantastic teamwork and encouragement through all their games supporting each other through the games. Thank you, Mr Marren, for taking the boys and training them during break times. Keep up the great work boys!



Balanceability - Reception

This week it has been fantastic to see ALL our children in Reception to have the opportunity to develop their cycling skills. Ms Byrne and Mrs Begum were amazed by the superb efforts from the children as they became more confident on the bikes. The class focused on improving confidence on their balance bikes with some children managing to develop their abilities on riding pedal bikes. Well done children.



Year Group News - Reception and EYFS

This half term EYFS are reading a variety of traditional tales including, 'The Three Little Pigs', 'The Gingerbread Man' and 'Little Red Riding Hood'. The children have engaged in lots of rainbow challenges including constructing their own houses, re-telling the stories through role-play, baking gingerbread people and innovating their own traditional tale. In Science the children will be huffing and puffing various objects and



experimenting with different materials to see which will float and sink. In Maths we have looked at capacity, weights and measurements.

Worship and Reflection

Dear God,

This week we have been thinking about how different people celebrate the same or similair festivals in different ways. In our school, help us to celebrte the similarities and the differences that we have with those in our school, our communities and our world.

Amen



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

Online Safety Tip

Gaming, of course, is phenomenally popular with children and young people. In 2021, more than three-quarters of teenagers played online games, with almost 70% of primary school aged children doing likewise. If enjoyed in moderation and supported by healthy routine (staying hydrated, good sleep habits, taking breaks and so on), gaming can actually benefit a person's mental health.



Dates for The Diary

24th February – First Steps with Coding KS2 - Parental Workshop 2nd March – World Book Day 3rd March – Ozobots KS2 -

Parental Workshop

<u>8th March</u> – Year 6 Class Assembly

<u>10th March</u> – Yr4 Class Trip – Eureka

<u>10th March</u> – Lego Robotics KS2 -Parental Workshop

17th March – Red Nose Day 22nd March – Year 1 Class Assembly

WC 27th March – Entries for Design an Egg Competition 31st March – Finish for Easter (1:30pm)

Picture News & British Value!



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







Mrs Humberstone

because she is always organised and enthusiastic every day in school.