



# St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022



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 half term has been a busy one with the children settling into their new classes as well as working on their amazing talents both in and beyond the classroom. Next half term we are looking forward to inviting parents to our Celebration Assemblies to celebrate all the work done through school. All families are welcome and teachers will also message parents on Class Dojo on the Wednesday to invite parents too if their child will be receiving an award. Finally, please remember to move your **clocks back one hour** on **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October** so all children are in on time when we return on **Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 8:45am**.



Best wishes

*Gary Lloyd*

Deputy Headteacher

### ★ Stars of the Week ★

- |              |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| R – Benjamin | 5 – Heena              |
| R – Amanah   | 5 – Aleesa             |
| 1 – Inaya    | 6 – Medina             |
| 1 – Maazim   | 6 – Makenzzi           |
| 2 – Hawa     | <i>Well done to</i>    |
| 2 – Zakariya | <i>all our winners</i> |
| 3 – Ameliah  | <i>this week.</i>      |
| 3 – Noah     | <i>Keep up the</i>     |
| 4 – Ayana    | <i>great work.</i>     |
| 4 – Huzaiifa |                        |



### Values Badges

- R Aryan
- 1 Hibba
- 2 Isa
- 3 Naeem
- 4 April
- 5 Mizan
- 6 Fahad



### Kindness Award

- R Samson
- 1 Keira
- 2 Maliha
- 3 Nikeela
- 4 Alfie
- 5 Yasaa
- 6 Assya



Caine Yr5

### The School's Attendance Target is 96%

Class	Attendance
Reception	99%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	89%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	98%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>96%</b>
This week's winner is... <b>Reception</b>	

### School Reception Places September 2023

Just a reminder to parents hoping to join our amazing St James' family to say people must apply if your child has a 4th birthday between 1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023. You must apply even if an older brother or sister is already at the school, or the school is linked to your child's nursery. Please can families pass this onto families in the community too. Miss Brewer and Mrs Wild are always available in the office to help. APPLY NOW! at

[www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools)

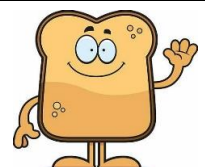
### Year 3/4 Girls Football Competition

On Monday, we continued celebrating our football teams with our Yr3/4 Girls Football team showing their skills and efforts once again at the Rossendale Tournament. Well done to everybody for finishing an amazing 2<sup>nd</sup> place as well as winning the "Respect" award too.



### Mid-Morning Toast

Next half term we will be providing all children some toast during break times if they wish to have some. This is to support our families through the winter months as well as give the children that extra energy throughout the morning. We have had some volunteers from church to help prepare the toast and if any parents are interested in helping, please contact school.



## Year Group News – Reception

EYFS have been working incredibly hard this week innovating the story 'Pumpkin Soup' written by Helen Cooper. We have been involved in doing lots of talk for writing through acting out the story with puppets and props. The children have made their own animal masks to get into character when re-telling the story. We have also been learning about pumpkins; looking at the life cycle, doing observational drawings and using our senses to feel, smell and look at a variety of different pumpkins and squashes and in the process have learnt lots of new vocabulary. The children have enjoyed hammering golf tees into pumpkins and cutting them up to investigate what they look like inside. After cutting up the pumpkins we pretended to make pumpkin soup. We discovered lots of seeds inside the pumpkin which the children counted and compared amounts, looking at which groups of seeds had more and which had less.



### Worship and Reflection

Dear God,

We are thankful for the example of people who live out what they believe. Saint Francis was a good example of peace in his time. He lived out a life to bring the peace of heaven to earth. May we live lives that bring a lasting peace into our friendships, our communities and our world.

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



### Online Safety Tip

Sometimes people might post things online that you find upsetting or disturbing. If you've seen something you're worried about, you don't have to cope alone. It can help to:



- Report it to the platform or website, especially if it involves violence or abuse
- Avoid sharing or commenting on it, even if you want to say you disagree
- Talk about what you've seen with an adult you trust
- Remember, not everything you see online will be real. But if you're not sure, it's always okay to ask for support.

### Subject Focus

#### Eco-Council



Our Eco Council are applying for a grant from Haslingden Heritage Trust so that we can promote our gardens around our school grounds.

This grant is part of the Haslingden Heritage Trust initiative created to promote Haslingden and links to our community.

Over the next few weeks, our Eco-Council will be reminding people around school about saving energy by turning off lights as well as cleaning up our school grounds and streets by litter picking.

### Picture News & British Value!

**Individual Liberty**

If we do something wrong, who should decide the consequences?

Our actions all have consequences. We must consider these consequences and take responsibility for our actions and the choices we make.

**British Values**

### 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.....



**Mrs Molloy** because she has kept her desk tidy.  
**Miss Dawson** because she always takes the time to make sure everyone is ok.