



St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Friday 9th December 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 week has been a very Merry one with lots of festive fun happening in and around school as we continue to celebrate the Christmas season during Advent. On Tuesday, we all went to Civic Theatre, in Oswaldtwistle, to watch the Pantomime of Jack and The Beanstalk. It was brilliant to see and hear the children join in and have a fantastic morning. Thank you to our Governors and Parent helpers who helped take the children through the morning. Please remember that next week is our final week with our Key Stage 1 Nativity Church Service on **Thursday 15th December at 9am**. All parents are invited and please contact the office to book a free ticket.

Also, a festive reminder that school finishes at 1:30pm on **Friday 16th December** to start the Christmas break.

Best wishes

Gary Lloyd

Deputy Headteacher

★ Stars of the Week ★

R – Farhan	5 – Hizqueel
R – Abu Bakr	5 – Ali
1 – Brooke	6 – Muhammad
1 – Misha	6 – Taiba
2 – Aayath	<i>Well done to</i>
2 – Sufyaan	<i>all our winners</i>
3 – Musab	<i>this week.</i>
3 – Florence	<i>Keep up the</i>
4 – Scarlet	<i>great work.</i>
4 – Raahiba	



Values Golden Tie

- R Roman
- 1 Ayan
- 2 Harrison
- 3 Sophie
- 4 Sabbir
- 5 Rayan
- 6 Jessica



Kindness Award

- R Mariyah
- 1 Yusairah
- 2 Maymoonah
- 3 Selena
- 4 Sarah
- 5 Heena
- 6 Maryam



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The School's Attendance

Target is 96%

Class	Attendance
Reception	98%
Year 1	91%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	90%
Year 6	91%
TOTAL	93%

This week's winner is...

Reception

Key Stage 2 Christmas Production

Congratulations to all our Key Stage 2 children and staff for two fantastic performances of their Christmas Production. It was fantastic to see all their hard work over the past weeks pay off with some superb acting and amazing singing. The response from all the amazing people able to watch was fantastic and we hope it started to spread the Christmas cheer.



Christmas Fair

This week, it was brilliant to hold our school fair and open our school doors to our families and children to our Christmas Fair. The atmosphere was fantastic around the many stalls, raffles and tombola. Thank you to all our amazing staff who took time to arrange this as well as set it up during the day. We will be drawing the raffle on Monday in worship.

WARM SPACES in HASLINGDEN

Everyone is welcome at all these locations where you can go to turn off the heating but still keep warm.

MONDAYS, 11.00am-2.00pm Warm & Welcome at St James' Church. Sit, drink, eat, chat, read the paper. Free brews and biscuits. Pay-what-you-can lunch available. **MONDAYS to SATURDAYS, opens 9.00am Warm & Welcome at Haslingden Library,** (Closes on Mon, Thurs & Fri at 5pm; Tues at 7pm; Wed & Sat 1pm) A free warm drink, a space to sit, free computers, wifi and charging. Closed 24th-28th December & 31st. Reopens 3rd Jan.

Year Group News - Year 2

Year Two have thoroughly enjoyed reading the story, Jack and the Baked Beanstalk- A traditional story with a twist! We have been finding new and effective adjectives to make our writing come alive. In science we have been finding out about habitats of different animals and designed a Bug Hotel. We have also thought about our own habitats and what we need. In history we have been learning about Haslingden. Did you know, Haslingden's roads were covered in cobbles! All the children have enjoyed their games sessions with the Wigan Warrior coaches.



Worship and Reflection

Dear God,
Treating other people as you would like them to treat you is an important piece of advice that is given in most cultures around the world including ours. But we know that it isn't always obeyed by everyone. Help us and others to act on the Golden Rule and bring about peace and goodwill to all that we meet this Christmas
Amen
"Growing in God's love, learning as we go"



Dates for The Diary

14th December – Christmas Parties
15th December – Key Stage 1 Nativity Church Service
16th December – Finish for Half Term at 1:30pm



Online Safety Tip

An estimated one-third of children have a social media account, so it's important that trusted adults know what content young people are consuming, what they're posting and the interactions they're having. On social media, it can be easy to go down a rabbit hole that isn't beneficial to our wellbeing. As platforms grapple with managing 'legal but harmful' content, lives are being impacted – sometimes to tragic effect.



Picture News & British Value!



Individual Liberty

With such a huge variety of entertainment available on our screens, we can choose what to watch. We can take some responsibility for our viewing to ensure we have a healthy amount of screen time.



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 Dunne

because for welcoming new members of staff to school with a smile at all times.

