

# <u>St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter</u> <u>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023</u>

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 an amazing week of Christmas donations and preparing for the season of Advent. The children have been busy with rehearsals and singing ready for our Production (13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December) and our Nativity in our Final

Week. Please can I remind ALL our families that tickets are still available to purchase for our Key Stage 2 performances. Thank you for the amazing donations for the Colour Raffle at our Christmas Tombola today. Our Christmas Fair is on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2pm-4pm. Parents will be able to sign out their child early from 2pm when they arrive to attend the fair. We ho-hohope to see lots of our families as we to celebrate Christmas.

Best wishes

# Frances Brady & Gary Lloyd

Headteacher

Deputy Headteacher

				The School's Attendance		
Stars of the Week		Values	<u>Kindness</u>	Targ	Target is 96%	
<b>R</b> – Saafir	5 – April	<u>Golden Tie</u>	Award	Class	Attendance	
<b>R</b> – Felix	<b>5</b> – Huzaifa	<b>R</b> Daniel	<b>R</b> Ayash	Reception	90%	
<b>1</b> – Aaifa	<b>6</b> – Ali	1 Harlee	<b>1</b> Aryan	Year 1	89%	
<b>1</b> – Mariyah	<b>6</b> – Rayan	2 Misha	2 Jenson 3 Hawa 4 Flori	Year 2	96%	
<b>2</b> – Keyan <b>2</b> – Brooke	Well done to all our winners	<b>3</b> Ashton <b>4</b> Adina		Year 3	92%	
<b>3</b> – Maymoonah	this week.	<b>5</b> Alfie	5 Lucas	Year 4	87%	
<b>3</b> – Sufana	Keep up the	<b>6</b> Yasaa	<b>6</b> Ruby	Year 5	89%	
<b>4</b> – Logan	great work.			Year 6	94%	
<b>4</b> — Rayyan				TOTAL	91%	
			Riyadh A Yr2	This week's winner is <b>Year 2</b>		

#### School Pantomime Trip – Beauty and The Beast

On Thursday morning, St James' took over Blackburn Empire Theatre to watch the amazing pantomime "Beauty and The Beast". Thank you to all the staff for their assistance and help to make it an incredible day for everybody. The children showed amazing enthusiasm and behaviour to enjoy the show. The characters were

fantastic.....with an addition of a star cow Mr Lloyd 눻 🌲

#### Parents Evening

Thank you to all our parents and families who were able to attend our Parents Evening this week. It was great to see the children wanting to celebrate their hard work with their families after a busy start to the year.

## Key Stage 2 Sportshall Athletics Festival

Well done to some of our amazing Key Stage 2 children who represented the school at the Rossendale Sports Hall Athletics Festival showing our values of friendship and endurance. All the children took part in a range of challenges and obstacles races. Thank you to Mrs Jamil and parents for their support. Keep up the great work and enthusiasm.









#### Curriculum In Action: History/RE – Rag 'n' Bone & Bible (Key Stage 2)

Key Stage 2 welcomed Margaret Murray, former Chair of St James' Governors and Duncan Berry – grandson of George (Georgie) Berry, who was a Rag & Bone merchant in Haslingden during the last century. They discussed the history of Haslingden as well as the restored Bible dated 1880. We are fortunate to be able to display this Bible in school for the upcoming weeks before it continues to visit other areas of the town.



#### Worship and Reflection

#### Dear God,

Christmas is often thought of as a time of peace. May we be reminded that we can bring about peace, fairness and justice in our own lives and the lives of others. Amen

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

#### **Online Safety Tip**

The Online Safety Act was passed into UK law in October 2023, with the aim of establishing major new layers of protection for children when they're online. The government has pledged "a zerotolerance approach to protecting children from online harm" – and the act certainly includes more powerful legislation which should help to safeguard young people in the digital world.

<u>Visit our online safety webpage for</u> <u>more details</u>





### Dates for The Diary

 8th December
 – Christmas Jumper

 Day & Christmas Fair

 13th December
 – KS2 Christmas

 Production (pm)

 14th December
 – KS2 Christmas

 Production (am)

 19th December
 – Christmas Lunch

 20th December
 – Christmas Parties

 & a special visitor

 21st December
 – KS1 Nativity and

 Carol Service (9am at Church)

 22nd December
 – School Closes at

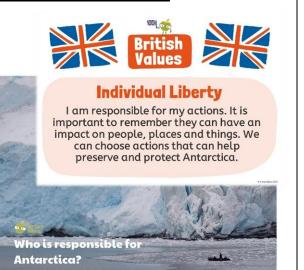
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 Further dates will continue to be

 added when planned.



# 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 is.....





Miss Crilly because she always takes time out to help others around school.

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