



ST JAMES' NEWSLETTER

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to you all and I hope that you had some quality family time and enjoyed your summer holidays. A special welcome to our new Year 3 parents, it is great to have you as part of our school community!

At the beginning of a new school year we set our expectations for learning and behaviour for the rest of the academic year. The teachers will be working hard with their children over the coming weeks to establish clear classroom routines and to set expectations for behaviour, learning and working well together. Working in partnerships with parents is really important in order for your child to develop a positive and rewarding experience. I hope you will support our high expectations in all areas, especially in terms of behaviour, attendance and achievement. Please help us by ensuring children arrive at school before 8.55am in preparation for registration and the start of the day's learning. The school gates are open from 8.40am and closes at 8.55am. If your child arrives after this time they will need to go to the school office and register their attendance, where they will receive a late mark.

Please remember that if you have any worries or concerns, no matter how trivial you think they are, please do not hesitate to speak to me on the school gate or contact me through the school office.

Rose Boland-Bourne

Headteacher



Year 6 Secondary School Admissions Meeting

Monday 11th September 23
3.45pm

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Friday 29th September 2023

Jeans for Genes Day

Friday 23rd September 2023

Harvest Festival

Thursday 12th October 2023

Autumn Half Term

Monday 23rd October 2023
To
Friday 3rd November 2023

Return To School

Monday 6th November 2023

Meet your child's class teacher.

At the beginning of the academic year, we like to host a short meeting where you can meet your child's class teacher. This gives you the opportunity to see the curriculum for the year group and to ask any questions you may have.

Year 3 Teacher / Parent Meeting	Tuesday 19th September 2023 9.00am - 9.30am
Year 4 Teacher / Parent Meeting	Wednesday 20th September 2023 9.00am - 9.30am
Year 5 Teacher / Parent Meeting	Thursday 21st September 2023 9.00am - 9.30am
Year 6 Teacher / Parent Meeting	Tuesday 26th September 2023 9.00am - 9.30am
SEND Teacher / Parent Meeting	Time to be confirmed

PE Timetable - Indoor & Outdoor Lessons

It is important that your child has their kit for every PE lesson. We recommend that children bring their kit on a Monday and only take it home again on the Friday. Children will change back into their school uniform before the end of the day. However, please see below PE timetable for each year group:

Year 3	Wednesday & Friday
Year 4	Monday & Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday & Wednesday
Year 6	Tuesday & Friday

Jeans For Genes Day 2023

The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic disorder and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected.

To raise money for this cause, on Friday 23rd September 2023, children and staff may come to school in their jeans. St James T Shirts must still be worn.

We ask that you make a donation of £1.00

Afterschool, we will also have a cake sale. This is to raise as much money as we can for the Charity.



Homework Timetable

Monday	Spelling list taken home & MyMaths (Online activities set by Class Teacher)
Tuesday	Reading from band reader or class Library
Wednesday	MyMaths (Online activities set by Class Teacher)
Thursday	Bug Club Reading (Online activities set by Class Teacher)
Friday	MyMaths (Online activities set by Class Teacher) & child's choice of topic

Warm Weather

Now that the weather has changed, we ask that children dress appropriately. This includes wearing sun hats, sun cream and shorts. No open toe or strapless sandals are permitted.

Children should bring a bottle of water to school daily. Please label bottles clearly with the child's name and class.



SchoolPing

At St James, we communicate with our parents via SchoolPing.

All new children will be receiving their login details shortly. Please make sure you download the SchoolPing app for any updates from the school.

If you have issues logging in or need help setting up, please come to the school office where a member of staff can advise.

Asthma Pumps & Epi Pens

If your child has asthma or an allergy, please ensure that their Asthma pumps or Epi Pens are in school.

All medication must be in its original packaging from the chemist with your child's name on the box. Please check that your child's medication is in date.

If you have any questions, please speak to the school office.

Thank you

