



St. James' Church of England Primary Academy
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Newsletter

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it.

Proverbs 22:6

Dear Parents/Carers,



Worship

We have enjoyed our children leading class worship. Bourne class, Malawi class and Bengal class all showed their God given talents and taught the adults and children about God's love for the world and how we need to look after the planet. We also learnt about how we are all different and special, with different talents and fingerprints!



KS1 SATS

We are so proud of our children in Year 2 for their attitude towards their tests. They were brilliant and we wanted to celebrate their hard work. Well done.



Jill Scott is a St. James' Fan!

Some of our sports teams had the opportunity (in connection with JP Morgan and AFC Bournemouth community trust), to meet ex England footballer and Queen of the Jungle, Jill Scott. The children were wonderful ambassadors and we now have a signed England shirt and ball to display in school as a memento of a great day. Thank you Mrs Finnigan for organising this treat for our children.



SENDIASS Parent Champion

The SENDIASS Parent Champion will be coming in on Wednesday 28th June from 9.15am. Appointments need to be made by at least the day before with the office.



PSA Dates

Friday 9th June – PSA Quiz Night. 7pm. Try and beat the teacher team to the trophy!

Saturday 8th July – Summer Fayre



Upcoming Key Dates

Friday 26th May – break up for Half term at usual time (3pm and 3.10pm)

Sunday 11th – Wednesday 14th June – Year 6 residential to Osmington Bay

Thursday 15th June – Galilee class worship

Friday 16th June – Year 2 Oceanarium visit

Monday 19th – Friday 23rd June – Sports week

Thursday 22nd June – Biscay class worship

Friday 23rd June – SPORTS DAY (King's Park athletic stadium)

Tuesday 27th June – St. James' Music evening. 6pm – 7.30pm in the school hall

Friday 30th June – Transition Day – all children move to their new classes in preparation for September

Monday 3rd July – Whole school photograph

Tuesday 4th July – Year 6 leaver's service at Christchurch Priory

Tuesday 4th July – SYFS trip to Farmer Palmers

Friday 7th July – Choir Music Festival – Christchurch Priory

Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th July – Year 6 production. 6pm – 7.30pm

Friday 14th July – Pupil reports sent out to parents/carers

Thursday 20th July – St. James' Academy awards and leaver's evening

Friday 21st July – Break up for the Summer holidays. (1.20pm)



A Few Reminders from the Office Team

- Please report any absences before 9am each morning
- Please use the letterboxes when returning completed forms, etc.
- Please name **all** clothing and lunchboxes
- Please let us know if there are any changes to pickup arrangements and update Arbor on any authorised people allowed to collect your child
- No dogs on site please



Autism and the Church

Please find attached a Church Times article that was recently published. Our very own Vicar was interviewed for it, and parts of her story are included in the article - they used one of her paintings too on the front cover!

<https://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2023/19-may/features/features/autism-adventures-beyond-the-neurotypical>

Thank you all for your continued support,

Alastair Brown

Headteacher

Learning as a family in Jesus, through Love, Hope and Forgiveness.

Matthew 19:26 "with God all things are possible."

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2023-24 Term Dates

SUMMER TERM

First Day Monday 17th April 2023

Bank Holiday Monday 1st May 2023

Bank Holiday Monday 8th May 2023

Half Term Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June 2023

Inset Day Monday 5th June 2023

Last Day Friday 21st July (finish at 1.20pm) 2023

AUTUMN TERM

Inset Day Friday 1st September 2023

Inset Day Monday 4th September 2023

First Day Tuesday 5th September 2023

Half Term Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October 2023

Last Day Tuesday 19th December 2023 (finish at 1.20pm)

SPRING TERM

Inset Day Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Inset Day Wednesday 3rd January 2024

First Day Thursday 4th January 2024

Half Term Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024

Last Day Tuesday 26th March 2024 (finish at 1.20pm)

SUMMER TERM

First Day Monday 15th April 2024

Bank Holiday Monday 6th May 2024

Half Term Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024

Inset Day Monday 3rd June 2024

Last Day Friday 19th July 2024 (finish at 1.20pm)



St. James' C of E Primary Academy

If you know of anyone who is looking for a school place in Reception for September 2023, we are pleased to say we still have a few places available.



School tours during school time are available on request, by phoning the school office on 01202 426696

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ST. JAMES' PSA QUIZ NIGHT



Friday 9th June 2023 7pm - 10pm

Come along and try your luck at beating the Teacher's tables!

Tables of 6 - £30 (£5pp)

Email felicity.brantingham@gmail.com to book your table.

20 tables available - first come, first served basis.

This will be the first in a series of quiz events - come along and try for the trophy!

What does £30 get you?

- * Cheese, crackers & other snacks**
- * A fab night of entertainment**
- * There will be a bar, with suggested donations for drinks**



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Saturday 4th November, 10am - 12pm

Presentation at 10am and 11am,

with an opportunity to explore the school and speak to staff



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