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Newsletter

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*"For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders.
And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."
Isaiah 9:6*

Dear Parents/Carers,

Staffing changes and updates at St. James'

There are some significant changes to staffing at St. James' from the start of January 2022. We are sad to announce that we are saying goodbye to Mr Rockstar, Mr Holroyd and Miss Macdonald.

Mr Rockstar has taught Year 6 this term and we would like to thank him and wish him all the best in his new teaching post at Bearwood Primary.

Mr Holroyd has accepted his first teaching post at Lychett Minster. He has taught all year groups during wellbeing days at St. James' and he will be missed by our community. Well done Mr Holroyd for starting your journey into teaching.

Miss Macdonald has been a Teaching Assistant with us for 4 years, she has been doing a fantastic job in Early Years and is taking up a nursery post nearer to her home in Verwood.

We will miss you all, you will always be part of the St. James' family.

We are pleased to announce that four new members of staff will be joining us from January; Mrs Nichols, Mrs Hall, Mr Castle and Mrs Gomes, we are delighted to welcome them to the team.

Christmas Party afternoon

On **Thursday 16th December**, all children at St. James' will have their Christmas party. This will also be a mufti day (Christmas jumpers and party clothes etc.). They will have their party in their year groups, and will have games and a small snack.

St. James' Church

St. James' Church family wish peace, joy and hope this Christmas to all staff, parents and children. Join us for Carols by Candlelight **Sunday 19th at 6.30pm**, the Crib Service on **Christmas Eve at 5pm** and **Christmas Day family service at 10am**.

Holiday dates

– a reminder that school closes for the Christmas holidays on **Friday 17th December** at **1.10pm** for Year 2,4,6, and **1.20pm** for Year R,1,3 and 5.

We will reopen for our children in 2022 on **Wednesday 5th January**.

Christmas Jumpers - Keep Donating

The Christmas jumper sale was a great success. Raising money for the school, recycling and providing a festive bargain for many families.

The PSA would be happy to receive Christmas jumper donations after the festive period. Please leave these with the School Uniform Exchange donations in the office reception area. The jumpers will be stored ready for another sale early next December. Thank you to everyone who donated and supported the sale.

The St. James' family is a welcoming, thriving, innovative community; loving and inspiring, forgiving and challenging. Together we can, and will, enrich the world.

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

With best wishes for a blessed and peaceful Christmas,

The Leadership Team at St. James'