



# St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

## Friday 10th October 2025

At St James' Church of England Primary School, we 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

We have had a super week in school with autumn arriving and the leaves falling! We are busy planting our autumn plants and tidying the gardens in preparation for the coming months. The eco council have been very busy distributing plants around the classes so that each class can plant and care for their allocated area.

On Monday we held an autumn crafts workshop for parents and children – such a super event, Mrs Humberstone posted some wonderful pictures on class dojo which illustrated a creative and fun approach to autumn crafting!

On Wednesday we held a parent's workshop for online safety – an essential information sharing event – which gave our parents information about how to keep children safe and updated them on the latest online issues. Our staff then supported this work with further training after school to ensure we keep our children safe online. With the advent of AI we need to be aware of misinformation which children may be exposed to.

Hello Yellow today reminds us of the need to be healthy – not only in body but also in mind! Our wellbeing council distributed yellow wrist bands to remind our children to always consider how they are feeling and how others may be feeling and to understand how to be empathetic and compassionate in this regard.

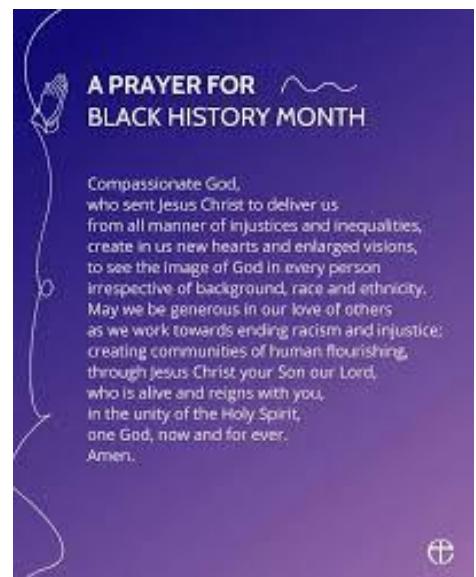
Next week we look forward to showing racism the red card on Friday as we wear red to champion this wonderful aim!

Have a super weekend, please remember as the days become shorter and darker to have reflective outerwear to keep children safe when crossing the road.

See you all safe and well on Monday. Best wishes

Frances Brady

Headteacher



Star of the Week	Writer of the Week	Speaker of the Week	Kindness/Golden Tie
Rec Zackahriya Year 1 Daud Year 2 Nellie Year 3 Abdur R Year 4 Hibba Year 5 Amiral Year 6 Flori	Rec Hamza Year 1 Mehjabeen Year 2 Hamzah Year 3 Yousuf Year 4 Bareerah Year 5 Adam Year 6 Zain	Rec Aiyla Year 1 Aahil Year 2 Archer Year 3 Musa Year 4 Aliyaah Year 5 Adyan Year 6 Kayan	Rec Asiya Year 1 Taslim Year 2 Sophia Year 3 Rene Year 4 Ibrahim Year 5 Daaniya Year 6 Aleena

The School's Attendance Target is <b>96%</b>	
Class	Attendance
Reception	91%
Year 1	<b>98%</b>
Year 2	93%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	97%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>95%</b>
This week's winner is...	
<b>Year 1</b>	

### Online Safety Tip

On Wednesday, Nigel Kirkham from LCC came in to school to work with parents and children about the importance of staying safe online. Thank you to all the parents who came to the workshop. Take a look at the useful web page that was shared for lots of key information and helpful advice.

[www.commonsensemedia.org](http://www.commonsensemedia.org)



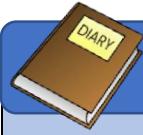
**Let's show racism the red card!**

This Friday 17th October 2025 is the 11th Anniversary of Wear Red Day.

As a school we are joining the event and asking children to come into school wearing something red. The children will discuss the power of standing up for what is right and working together to make us stronger.

**Let's be the difference.  
Join us....**

♥♥♥Wear Red ♥♥♥



### Key Dates for your diaries



Friday	17 <sup>th</sup>	All day	Wear Red Day
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	All day	Y6 Trip Outdoor Elements
Wednesday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	All day	Flu Vaccinations N-Y6
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	All week	Whole School Poetry Week
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>		School Closes for half term
November			
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	8.45	School re-opens



**WoW!**  
There was no stopping the girls football team this week, with a wonderful 8-2 win away at St John Stonefold.

A BIG SHOUT OUT To Flori who scored a fantastic 6 goals for the team and Arwa with a further 2 goals!  
Keep up the hard work girls. We are all so proud of you!

### Reading Buddies

Our amazing Year 6 pupils visited EYFS and shared stories with their buddies. An excellent opportunity for both year groups, helping to develop a love of reading and oracy across the school.



*Don't forget to read at home 3 times a week and sign your reading record!*



### Staff Shout Out!

This week we are celebrating Miss Crilly for being a wonderful member of the team in EYFS!

