



St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Friday 27th February 2026

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

This first week after half term has raced by! It is a special time in school as we journey through Lent and Ramadan together. We are collecting for the foodbank each week as part of our faith journey and we will message parents each week with an item to donate. Thank you to all who have donated pasta this week – if you haven't been able to do so, please send this in. Next week will be a tin of vegetables – potatoes, peas, beans, etc.

Both Y3 and Y4 have had bikeability this week which has allowed them to begin the course which they will continue in Y5-6 so that they are always safe on the roads if they cycle anywhere. Our children have had a wonderful time and we give a big thank you to the course leaders who give their time to this wonderful activity.

With only 4 weeks of this half term left, we have included important dates for parents to remember and to be aware of. Please take a look at the events calendar to ensure you don't miss out! Especially of note are the mid-year reports and drop in parents event in the final week of term.

As I have been out directing traffic when on duty each morning, I have noticed lots of parents parking safely and working together to ensure the roads are safe around school – particularly at this busy time of roadworks on the junction! A big thank you to you all for your patience and understanding of one another.

Have a wonderful weekend everyone, and we will see you all safe and well on Monday.

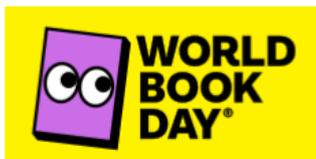
Miss Brady

Headteacher

PRAYER
Loving God,

Help us to work together to share what we have so that everyone has what they need.

Help us to build a better world where each of us can become the best person we can be.
Amen



Thursday 5th March-dress as your favourite book character

Year 3 are the tidiest class this week!



Please contribute towards the food bank if you are able. All donations will be greatly appreciated. Check Dojo for the theme of each week.



Amazing efforts from Year 3 and year 4 this week during the Bikeability sessions. The instructors were really impressed with all children showing perseverance and demonstrating excellent progress and achievements. Well done Year 3 and Year 4!



St James' Super Stars

Star Award	Writer of the Week	Speaker of the Week	Kindness/Golden Tie
Rec Teddy Year 1 Mehjabeen Year 2 Ayra Year 3 Whole class Year 4 Hibba Year 5 Daaniya Year 6 Annalease	Rec Haya Year 1 Zishan Year 2 Abdullah Year 3 Eshaal Year 4 Deborah Year 5 Muzammil Year 6 Zurarah	Rec Hasnain Year 1 Zayan Year 2 Rocky Year 3 Pax Year 4 Zack Year 5 Maliha Year 6 Selena	Rec Zachariya Year 1 Shayan Year 2 Ismaeel Year 3 Farhan Year 4 Maazim Year 5 Ajay Year 6 Logan

Picture News

Think together and talk

- What is an explorer?
- Do you have to travel far to be an explorer?
- Have you ever explored anywhere? What did you discover?
- Where would you like to explore? Why?



Online Safety

Start a conversation with your child about online safety. Follow the link for more information.

[Bing Videos](#)



Staff Shout Out!

This week we are celebrating Miss Collinge for being a ray of sunshine around school and always helping everyone.



Diary Dates

Day	Date	Time	Event
Tuesday	3 rd March	9-9.45am	EYFS Pop in and play session for parents
Thursday	5 th March	All day	World Book Day-dress as your favourite character
Friday	6 th March	1.15-3.15pm	Have a go with Lego parent and child session
Monday	9 th March	1.30pm	Year 4 Haslingden Library visit
Monday	16 th March	All day in school	Year 4 preparing for their English Folklore Festival
Wednesday	18 th March	9am	Year 3 Class Poetry Assembly for parents
Thursday	19 th March	3.20pm	Mid Term Reports home
Friday	20 th March	9.30-11.30am	Easter Craft Session for parents and children
Tuesday	23 rd March	9-9.45am	EYFS Pop in and play session for parents
Tuesday	23 rd March	All day	Year 2 trip to Mrs Dowson Farm
Wednesday	24 th March	3.30pm	Parents Evening Drop in sessions

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The School's Attendance Target is 96%

Class	Attendance %
Reception	93%
Year 1	96%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	97%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	94%
Total	95.3%

This week's winner... Year 5