



St James' Church of England Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th March 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

We have had a wonderful week here in school where we have celebrated world book day – such a wonderful way to celebrate literature, reading and the joy of discovering a good book! Children explored poetry as a theme this week and were visited by mystery readers across school! Thank you to our librarians and Mrs Humberstone who organised the reading café yesterday – a great success!

Today we have our lego workshop for parents and their children which we know will be a great success as our families always enjoy exploring learning alongside their children in school.

Next week, we have pop in and play in EYFS on Tuesday at 9am and Y3 have an art drop in for parents on Tuesday too from 2.15-3.15. Lots of opportunities for our parents to be involved in school – we look forward to welcoming you!

As part of our continued exploration of faith, we are lucky to have our local Imaam visiting on Wednesday afternoon to talk to the children about Ramadan.

Y5 have their trip on Thursday to outdoor elements. We hope the weather stays dry as they explore the activities open to them on the day!

It is also science week next week so our children will be having additional science opportunities across the week as a love of science learning and discovery is explored.

As you can see, another busy week ahead and only 3 weeks left of this half term – we are squeezing as much learning in as possible for our children – please ensure they attend school every day so they can benefit from the experiences we have planned.

A quick plea – we support external opportunities such as trips, etc across school by subsidising trips to make them more affordable for our parents. We understand the demand on limited funds so do our very best to ensure we make each trip as low in cost as we possibly can. With more parents than ever not paying for trips, we are having to reconsider our offer for this moving forwards. Please do contribute to the trips we organise or we will, unfortunately, have to minimise our offer in this area. Thank you for your understanding.



Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all on Monday again

Miss Brady

Headteacher

Easter Hamper Raffle
£1 a strip-can be bought from the class room.

Mystery Reader
Come into our classroom and share a high-quality text with our class

Year 5 are the tidiest class this week!



There is still time to sign up to be a mystery reader in Reception or year 3. Contact the class teachers to register



Star Award	Writer of the Week	Speaker of the Week	Kindness/Golden Tie
Rec Rayyan Year 1 Samira Year 2 Blake Year 3 Yousef Year 4 Aliyaah Year 5 Joseph Year 6 Musab	Rec Kulsooma Year 1 Cyrus Year 2 Lea Year 3 Azim Year 4 Yusairah Year 5 Isla-Rose Year 6 Jayden	Rec Asiya Year 1 Aahil Year 2 Jameel Year 3 Aliya Year 4 Manaahil Year 5 Sufyaan Year 6 Zayyan	Rec Imran Year 1 Amaan Year 2 Aydin Year 3 Mariyah Year 4 Riyadh Year 5 Reagan Year 6 Seyi

Picture News

Think together and talk

- What does equality mean?
- Does treating people equally mean giving everyone the exact same thing? Why?
- Has there been a time when you weren't treated equally? If so, how did it make you feel?
- What are some things we can do to make sure everyone is treated equally?



NSPCC Online Safety

Eight practical ways parents and carers can support children

Talking to children about AI | NSPCC

1. Explore the apps and websites your child uses



Staff Shout Out!

This week we are celebrating Mrs Humberstone- she is always enthusiastic and inspires others

Diary Dates

Day	Date	Time	Event
Monday	9 th March	1.30pm	Year 4 Haslingden Library visit
Tuesday	10 th March	2.15pm-3.15pm	Year 3 Art Session for parents
Thursday	12 th March	Year 5	Trip to Outdoor Elements
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	24 th March	9-9.45am	EYFS Pop in and play session for parents
Tuesday	24 th March	All day	Year 2 trip to Mrs Dowson Farm
Wednesday	25 th March	3.30pm	Parents Evening Drop in sessions
Thursday	26 th March	9am	Whole school visit to Church-parents welcome
Friday	27 th March	1.30pm	School closes for Easter
Monday	13 th April	8.45am	School re-opens

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

The School's Attendance Target is 96%

Class	Attendance %
Reception	92%
Year 1	99%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	94%
Total	95.5%

This week's winner... Year 1