# St James Church of England Primary School News Letter 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023



Let all that you do be done in love 1 Corinthians 16:14

#### **SCHOOL LIFE**

Happy New Year to all our families. It has been lovely seeing everyone return from the Christmas break and we hope everyone managed to have a rest. Children have got straight into their new topics and this week Year 6



and Year 5 have had workshops to bring their topics to life. Year 6 have been exploring the Frozen Kingdom and are already full of lots of information. Year 5 have started their Egyptian topic and have been learning some of the gory details of the mummification processes!







I have also been amazed by the volcanoes that Year 3 children have been bringing into school from their own work at home – I love it when families join in the learning the children glow with pride.



## **40REVER 15**

4orever15 is a project led by one of our parents with the focus of bringing young people together through activities and life skills. Birmingham Youth group sessions will be held at Handsworth Library, every Thursday between 3:30pm and 5:30pm for the next 7 weeks. This is for children and young people aged between 8 – 21 years. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5:16

#### **ATTENDANCE**

School Attendance for the year so far is 90%. This is lower than our target figure of 97%. We must continue to improve this together.

Classes 3R, 4U & 1D won the attendance bears for last week

#### Parents must remember to call school to report an absence.

Mrs Pritchard and the attendance team are beginning to work with families to improve attendance. If there is anything you want to discuss, or would like support with, please come and talk to us. Holidays taken in term time will be unauthorised and can lead to fines being issued by the Local Authority.

## **STAR OF THE WEEK**



Week Beginning – 28.11.22		Week Beginning – 05.12.22	
RM – Gurfateh	RO - Rhomiah	RM – Senen	RO – Omar-Bun
1J – Sameer	1D – Aleyna	1J – Maryam	1D – Harkirat
2M – Ekampreet	20 – Jeremy	2M – Harsimar	20 – Summer
3K – Elin	3R – Rute	3K - Naryus	3R – Zareenah
4H – Thanmaya	4U – Cayden	4H – Maisha	4U – Banna
5C – Ruwaad	5M – T'Sahay	5C – Amrita	5M – Hilina
6G – Tuba	6N – Deborah	6G – Raj	6N – Jay-Isaiah

### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January	Reception – Anansi The Spider Workshop	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Reception Classes Vision Screening	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> February	Year group to attend Year 11 Performance at St John Wall	
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	End of Half-Term	
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	Children Return to School	
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 4 Saxon and Viking Workshop	
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	World Book Day – Dress up day!	
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	West end Dance workshops across school	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 5 & 6 Rap/ Poetry Workshops	
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Spring term	
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to School	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 Trip to Lunt Roman Fort	
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday	
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	King Charles Bank Holiday	
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Week begins – No holidays	
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Half-Term	
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to School	
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Residential Trip to Woodlands	
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of Summer Term	