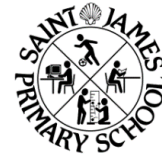


St James Church of England Primary School

News Letter 1st October

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



SCHOOL LIFE

One of my favourite things to do is watch the children getting to know their new teachers and throwing themselves into their new topic. In Year 6 they are fully immersed in the Beating Heart topic – they have dissected a heart, made blood and during art lessons they are using clay to sculpt a heart. Year 6 have also been learning how to ride their bikes safely and for those that are ready they have safely learnt how to ride on the road – just brilliant!



ATTENDANCE

Whole School attendance for this week is 94%. This is just below our school expectation for good attendance.

Congratulations to Classes 2A & 6N who won the attendance bears.

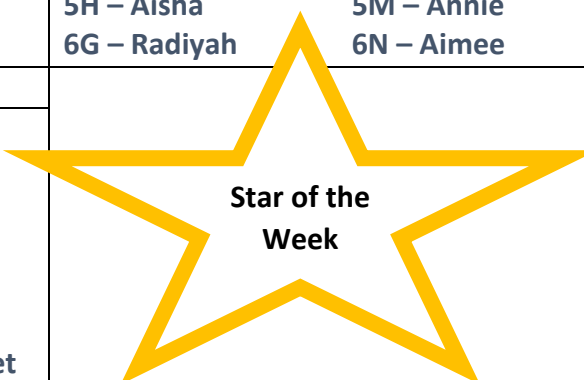
Well done to classes RO, RM, 1L, 2A, 2O, 3B, 4R and 6N for having attendance over 95%.

Parents, please remember to contact school by 10.00am if your child is absent from school. If school is not given a reason, then it is recorded as an unauthorised absence.

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

| Week Beginning – 07.09.25 | | Week Beginning – 14.09.25 | |
|---------------------------|-------------------|--|---------------|
| RM – Eimear-Rae | RO – Aminah | RM – Aakif | RO – Caleb |
| 1C – Aamani | 1L – Jaylan | 1C – Janiah | 1L – Oliver |
| 2A – Khali | 2O – Nyelle | 2A – Sarim | 2O – Omarri |
| 3A – Isobel | 3B – Ahmad | 3A – Kayyan | 3B – Yousuf |
| 4C – Adam S | 4R – Haseeb | 4C – Maryam | 4R – Ce’Janae |
| 5H – Tahan | 5M – Hashir | 5H – Aisha | 5M – Annie |
| 6G – Arjan | 6N – Isatou | 6G – Radiyah | 6N – Aimee |
| Week Beginning – 21.09.25 | |  | |
| RM – Yousif | RO – Tripat Jot | | |
| 1C – Heman | 1L – Liyana | | |
| 2A – Aaravjot | 2O – Rihanne | | |
| 3A – Laibaah | 3B – Harjot | | |
| 4C – Surveen | 4R – Adam | | |
| 5H – Irwindeep | 5M – Keshawn | | |
| 6G – Nadir | 6N – Millianpreet | | |

HARVEST COLLECTION

Many thanks for all the harvest food donations. Please keep them coming so we can continue to support the local community food bank.

The last day for donations is Friday 10th October 2025.

PARKING

Could we all please be mindful of how and where we are parking outside school, especially at peak times of the day. There are a lot of children around and ensuring their safety is our top priority. In order to do this safe parking, not on pavements or on the yellow lines outside school would be greatly appreciated.

PARENTING SUPPORT

Please remember that we have lots of support available in school – from Malachi Trust family support and we can also arrange food bank parcels from Handsworth Association of Schools. Please call Mrs Sagoo or Mrs Pritchard to make requests.

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

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| Tuesday 7 th October | Year 2 Mini Beast Workshop |
| Monday 13 th October | Whole School Flu Immunisations |
| Monday 20 th October | Individual & Family Photos |
| Tuesday 21 st October | 3B Diwali Assembly – parents invited, 2:30pm |
| Thursday 23 rd October | Parents Evening |
| Friday 24 th October | Half-term |
| Monday 3 rd November | Children return to School |
| Wednesday 5 th November | Year 6 London Residential Trip – Meet at New Street |
| Friday 7 th November | Year 6 London Residential Trip – Return day |
| Monday 10 th November | Year 3 Stone Age to Iron Age Workshop |
| Tuesday 11 th November | Year 4 Mountain Workshop |
| Thursday 13 th November | 5H Anti-Bullying Assembly – parents invited, 2:30pm |
| Friday 14 th November | Children in Need – Challenge 25 Non-Uniform day and other events 😊 |
| Monday 17 th November | Year 5 Egyptians Workshop |
| Thursday 18 th December | Aladdin Pantomime in school |
| Friday 19 th December | End of Term – Christmas Break |
| Monday 5 th January | Inset Day 3 – Staff only |
| Tuesday 6 th January | Children return to School |
| Monday 12 th January | Year 1 Great Fire of London Workshop |
| Tuesday 13 th January | Year 4 Saxons Workshop |
| Monday 19 th January | Year 6 Polar Workshop |
| Friday 13 th February | Half-term |
| Monday 23 rd February | Children return to School |
| Monday 2 nd March | Year 4 Vikings Workshop |
| Monday 9 th March | Year 2 Great Explorers Workshop |
| Friday 27 th March | End of Term – Easter Break |
| Monday 13 th April | Children return to School |