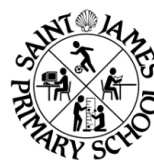


St James Church of England Primary School

News Letter 26th November

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



SCHOOL LIFE

It is amazing how quickly we enter the Christmas build up and children in the infants have begun learning their nativity songs. The timetable gets very busy in the final week with lots of events for the children to enjoy so please keep checking the calendar so the children do not miss out on parties and nativity performances. Meanwhile the topics are in full force and I have been enjoying conversations with Year 6 about World War II. Please contact Mrs Sagoo in the office if you would like a food bank parcel from Handsworth Association of Schools.

Monday 15 th December	2.15pm Nativity performance – Year 1 parents welcome
Tuesday 16 th December	2.15pm Nativity performance – Year 2 parents welcome
Wednesday 18 th December	Talent Show – Juniors – school only
Thursday 18 th December	Aladdin Pantomime in school Years 1-6
Friday 19 th December	End of Term – Christmas Children finish at 1.45pm Christmas Parties in the morning – party clothes

MINDFUL PARKING

Could parents please refrain from parking on the zig-zag lines outside the school and parking in front of the car park gate. This is a key entrance and exit point and must be left clear.

GOVERNING BODY

If anyone has financial experience and is interested in finding out more about volunteering and being a school governor, please make an appointment to find out more about the role with Mrs Smith in January.

IS YOUR CHILD DUE TO START SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER?

Children in Birmingham can start school (Reception) in the September after their fourth birthday. If your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022, they will be able to start school in September 2026. **The closing date is at 11:59pm on 15 January 2026.** You must apply online at www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions

ATTENDANCE

Whole School attendance for this week is **92%**. This is just below our school expectation for good attendance.

Attendance Matters



Congratulations to Classes RO & 3A who won the attendance bears.

Well done to classes RO, 3A and 3B 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.

Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5:16

STAR OF THE WEEK



Week Beginning – 03.11.25		Week Beginning – 10.11.25	
RM – Mustafa	RO – Umaima	RM – Jay'sean	RO – Ammarah
1C – Gurjot	1L – Gurtajbir	1C – Marion	1L – Subhaan
2A – Damanpreet	2O – Freddy	2A – Kaison	2O – Felix
3A – Agamjot	3B – Amritdeep	3A – Sahl	3B – Yuvraj
4C – Advik	4R – Yahya	4C – Miraj	4R – Anoop
5H – A'naijah	5M – Aman	5H – Kaycie	5M – Ekampreet
6G – Anmol	6N – Gurwinder	6G – Mia	6N – Rumaisa
Week Beginning – 17.11.25			
RM – Sehaj	RO – Aurelia		
1C – Toha	1L – Subhaan		
2A – Manraj	2O – Dalai		
3A – Layannah	3B – Jake		
4C – Ayaan	4R – Taranpreet		
5H – Ezmai	5M – Narla		
6G – Rute	6N – Ali		

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

Thursday 4 th December	Reception Grotto Trip – behaviour permitting
Monday 15 th December	Nativity performance – Year 1 parents welcome
Tuesday 16 th December	Nativity performance – Year 2 parents welcome
Wednesday 17 th December	Talent Show – Juniors
Thursday 18 th December	Aladdin Pantomime in school Year 1-6
Friday 19 th December	End of Term – Christmas Break at 1.45pm Christmas Parties in the morning – party clothes
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
Wednesday 4 th March	Year 3 trip to Cadbury World
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
Monday 20 th April	Year 3 Ancient Greeks Workshop
Tuesday 21 st April	Year 4 trip to Walsall Art Gallery
Wednesday 22 nd April	Year 2 trip to Botanical Gardens
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Monday 11 th May	SATs Week Year 6 – No Holidays
Friday 22 nd May	Half-term