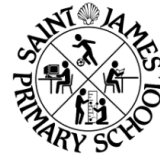


St James Church of England Primary School

News Letter 24th April

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



SCHOOL LIFE

It has been wonderful since we returned from Easter as we have had more sunshine – this has allowed us to get more equipment out at lunchtimes and I am really enjoying seeing the children try new things or improve their skills.

On Wednesday all the classes took part in Earth Day – thinking about how to support the planet for the future. In school we showed our support by reducing electricity use and all screens



were turned off for the day – I have to say this made it all very calm. I really enjoyed seeing the children developing their own passions and ideas for how they could each do their bit.

New topics have begun and lots of enriching experiences for the children to get fully involved in and bring their learning to life.

Year 2 visited the Botanical Gardens and Year 4 the Walsall Art Gallery this week. In school Year 3 had a workshop



all about Ancient Greece and it has been wonderful to see their curiosity and enthusiasm for learning fully ignited.



We are currently busy arranging more trips for the summer term so keep coming to school and checking the calendar for key events.

MALACHI TRUST

We are very lucky to work closely with Malachi Family Support and Harpreet is available to share more about the service if you think it is something you might benefit from. Malachi offer a one-to-one support service for families; they create a safe space for families to express themselves and to promote good mental health and wellbeing. They offer a non-judgemental support service to help begin the process of change with the following challenges – Emotional Wellbeing, School Attendance, Family Relationships, Behaviour, Anxiety & Stress and Self Confidence. Do please get in touch with Mrs Pritchard if you feel you may benefit from this service.



Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5:16

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Regular school attendance is one of the most important factors in helping children achieve their best. Even missing just a few days can make it harder for them to keep up with learning and friendships.

We understand that sometimes illness or emergencies happen, but where possible, please aim to ensure your child is in school every day and on time. Good attendance builds confidence, supports progress, and sets positive habits for life.

Our whole school attendance for last week was **94%**, this is more in line with the national average.

Attendance Matters



Congratulations to Classes 2A and 5H who won the attendance bears.

Well done to classes RO and 1L for having attendance over 96%.

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.

STAR OF THE WEEK

Week Beginning – 17.04.26

RM – Lexi-Rose	RO – Kimani
1C – Dominic	1L – Al-Tayyib
2A – Ezekial	2O – Fatehveer
3A – Akim	3B – Enaya
4C – Sara	4R – Darius
5H – Anand	5M – Harminder
6G – Yadon	6N – Naryus

SCHOOL CALENDAR 2025-2026

Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday – School Closed
Thursday 7th May	School Closed – Polling Station
Monday 11th May	SATs Week Year 6 – No Holidays
Monday 18th May	Class Photos
Wednesday 20th May	Year 4 Woodlands residential Trip – 2 nights
Friday 22nd May	Half-term
Monday 1st June	Inset Day 4 – Staff only
Tuesday 2nd June	Children Return to School – Year 4 Triathlon Event
Monday 8th June	Year 3 Romans Workshop
Tuesday 9th June	Year 1 trip to Twycross Zoo
Tuesday 30th June	Year 6 trip to Safari Park
Friday 17th July	End of Term for Children
Monday 20th July	End of Term for Staff – Inset Day 5