

St James' Church of England Junior School



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Newsletter

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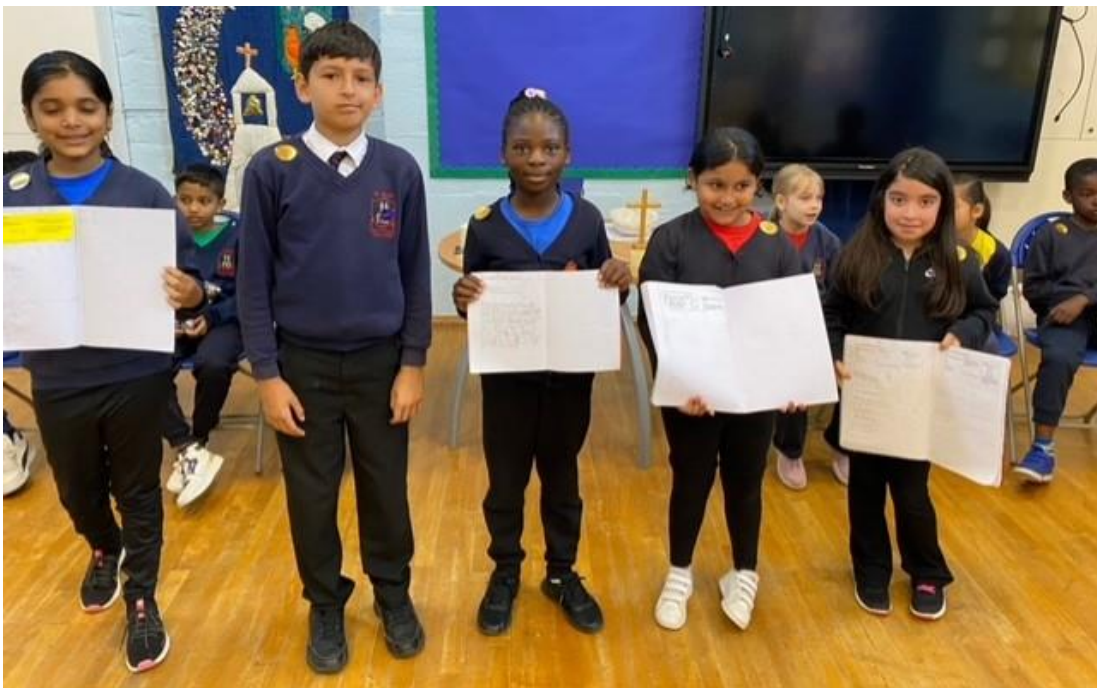
Our Value for the year is **Respect** Our Value for this term is **Perseverance**

Congratulations to our:

Values Cup Winners



Good Work Winners



Congratulations to 5A who won the weekly attendance award again this week with 98.9%
Well done!

Important Dates & Holidays

Take a look at the school calendar and term dates for 2023-24 and 2024-25 [here](#).

Thursday 2 May		School closed all day (Being used as Polling Station)
Friday 3 May		INSET Day (School closed all day)
Monday 6 May		BANK HOLIDAY (School closed)
Tuesday 7 May		Back to school
Wednesday 8 May	9.00 am	Craft, Coffee & Chat (see page 3)
Monday 13 – Thursday 16 May		Year 6 SATs
Friday 17 May	9.15 am	Pentecostal Service at St James' Church
Wednesday 22 May		Year 6 and Class Photographs
Friday 24 May	3.20 pm	End of Term 5 at 3.20 pm
<i>Monday 27 to Friday 31 May – May Half Term (Whitsun)</i>		
Monday 3 June		Start of Term 6
Thursday 6 June		Year 5 and Year 6 Trip to Cadbury's World
Wednesday 12 June		Year 6 Leavers' Service at Gloucester Cathedral
Tuesday 18 June		Year 3 and Year 4 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park
Monday 8 – Wednesday 10 July		Year 6 JCA at Croft Farm
Wednesday 17 July		Awards Ceremony at St James' Church
Friday 19 July	1.30 pm	End of Term 6 at 1.30 pm

School Hours

8.15 am	Gates Open/Breakfast Club
8.30 am	School playground is staffed – children can be left after 8.30 am
8.50 am	Pupils come into school
9.00 am	First session
3.20 pm	End of school day

Pupils should be in school by 8.50 am. All children who are late need to be brought into school by a parent to sign them in. If children arrive in school later than 10.30 am we may not be able to order them a hot lunch so they should bring in a packed lunch.

Breakfast Club is available from 8.15-8.45 am. **Children are expected to be punctual, but they should not arrive in school before 8.15 am when the gates open.**



[Help raise £500 to St James City Farm, if the city farm remains closed the school council will nominate another local charity to receive the donations](#)

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www.justgiving.com

Doctors, Opticians and Dentist Appointments

Routine doctors, opticians and dentist appointments **SHOULD NOT** be made during school time. Only emergency appointments and hospital appointments should be made during the school day. All other appointments should be made after school, at weekends or during the school holidays. If an appointment has already been made children should be in school before, if possible, and should be brought into school after the appointment, if time. A whole day is not required for a local appointment. Please email or text if your child is going to an appointment. If you have to make an appointment for your child at the beginning of the day, please inform the school.

Annual Gloucestershire Wildlife Quiz

On Thursday 18th April the school took part in the Annual Gloucestershire Wildlife Trusts Primary school quiz. We took 4 students (Zainab, Maariyah, Afifah - 6A and Sajjad - 5A) all went to Moat Primary Academy and answered some very tough questions all about British Wildlife. The children undertook 5 rounds from 'pot luck', a picture round, general knowledge to identify an object. The children did really well and demonstrated some great knowledge and understanding of British Wildlife but sadly they were narrowly beaten by Moat Primary.



Trips/Visits

Year 5/6 Trip to Cadbury's World – Please get slips and payment of £1.50 into school asap.

Year 3/4 Trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park - Please get slips and payment of £5 into school asap.

Thanks to those who have already paid for the trips and given in the slips.

Lost the trip letter?

All trip/visit letters are on the website [here](#).

Quadkids Athletics

The children took part in running, throwing, jumping and relay activities. They definitely showed our value of perseverance and came away with a certificate for their hard work. Well done St James'.







Medication in school

If your child has to take medication in school a parent needs to bring the medication into school and fill out a form.

REMINDER: Children should be in school by 8.50 am. The front gate shuts at 9.00 am; all children arriving once the gate is shut are late. All children who are late need to be brought into school by a parent to sign them in. If you know they will be late due to an appointment please ring to pre-order lunch if they have a hot lunch at school.

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS	ATTENDANCE MATTERS
IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR	IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR
5 MINUTES late each day = 3 days off in total	97% = 6 attendance days off = 30 hours of learning lost
	



Craft, Coffee and Chat



- Enjoy a cup of coffee with other parents.
- Discover low-cost art materials at the Scrap Store.
- Have a go at making something!



Who: For all Hatherley and St James' parents.

When: Wednesday 8th May at 9am—11am.

Where: Meet Mrs Jones and Miss Kirby at 9am by the St James' main gate to walk over to the Gloucestershire Resource Centre together.