

St James' Church of England Junior School



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Newsletter

23 February 2024

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

Congratulations to our:

Values Cup Winners



Good Work Winners



Congratulations to 5B who won the weekly attendance award this week with 96.7%. Well done!

Important Dates & Holidays

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

Wednesday 28 February	9.00 am	Craft, Coffee & Chat – Meet at school gate
Wednesday 28 February	3.20 pm	Year 4 Parents' Meeting for Residential Trip in Year 5
Thursday 7 March		World Book Day
Tuesday 19 March	3.10 pm	St James' Cake & Craft Sale
Wednesday 20 March		Parents' Evening (2.30-7.30 pm)
Friday 22 March	9.15 am	Easter Service at St James' Church
Friday 22 March	1.30 pm	End of Term 4 at 1.30 pm
Easter Holidays – Monday 25 March to Friday 5 April		
Monday 8 April		Start of Term 5
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)
Friday 24 May	3.20 pm	End of Term 5 at 3.20 pm

School Hours

8.15 am	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.

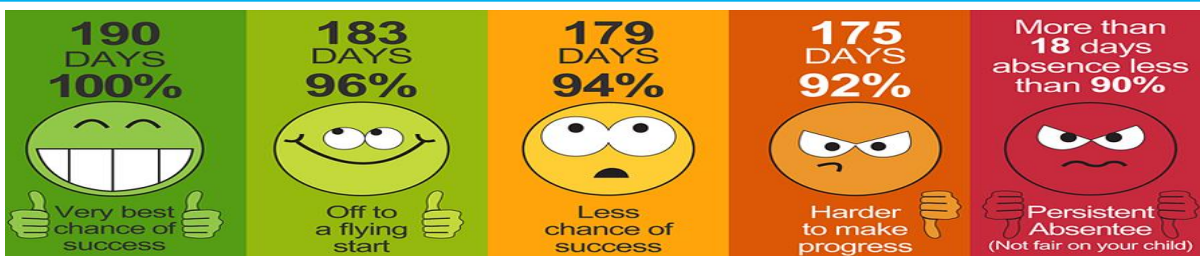
Breakfast Club is available from 8.15-8.45 am. **Children are expected to be punctual, but they should not arrive in school before 8.15 am when the gates open.**

KEEP US INFORMED – EMAIL admin@st-james-jun.gloucs.sch.uk with any changes.

If you have changed your telephone number, email address or moved house, please let us know so that you receive texts, emails and letters from the school.

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.



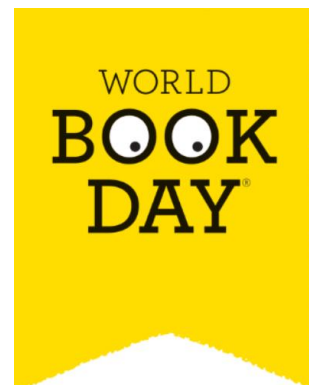
Easter Egg Design competition

Children have been given a sheet for their design. Please bring in a £1 with your design by **Friday 15 March**.

World Book Day 2024 - Thursday 7 March 2024

We have lots of exciting events planned during the week of World Book day including author visits. **On Thursday 7th March**, your child is invited to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book. This is optional.

Your costume does not need to be shop bought, you could simply make a hat, prop or use own clothes you already have at home.



House Points at St James'

Since September the houses have had new names:

RUBY **SAPPHIRE** **AMBER** **EMERALD**

Children are given house counters for good work, etc. Last term Emerald won the termly award so they were given a non-uniform day today.

Here were the points for last term:

RUBY	SAPPHIRE	AMBER	EMERALD
380	376	472	492



Date for your Diary

Cake & Craft Sale at St James' – 3.10 pm on Tuesday 19 March.

The Library

Costume Swap

5 February - 19 February

DONATE a costume to any library (thank you!)

19 February - 7 March

SWAP an old costume for a new one!

- Accessories, whole and part costumes accepted
- Donations will be accepted throughout the swap
- Discover swaps across all county libraries
- Both adult and child costumes welcome
- You can still take a costume home if you don't have one to swap



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BEGINNERS – ESOL Entry 3

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Adult Education in
Gloucestershire
4-6 Commercial Road
Gloucester,
GL1 2EA



Fridays
10:00 – 11:30 am

Bartongate Children's
Centre, next to Widden
Primary School,
Sinope Street,
Gloucester GL1 4AW



Fridays
08:45 – 09:30
07436 649 713

Online appointment via Zoom on Thursday evenings



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Your child's school receives extra funding for each eligible child registered.

If you do not have internet access speak to your child's school.

You could save up to **£437** per year

You may also be able to get extra support for free milk, reduced contributions for school trips and uniform grants – check with your school.

YOUTH HANGOUT

Join us for a chance to explore, grow and create memories that will last a lifetime, with snacks of course.

Years 6 - 9

**St James Parish Rooms,
GL1 4JT**

**Mondays
(term time only)**

5pm - 6pm

➤ **FREE.** For more information and to book now, head to our website.



For more information contact luke.gomes@sportily.org.uk

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Free Spring Activities for Children, Young People & Families

An update on HAF booking this spring...

Following the successful trial during the winter. We will continue to allow families time to browse all of the activities that are on offer one week before they are available to book online.

From 4th of March at 12pm, you will be able to view all the activities on offer in March/April. This means you will be ready when **activity booking goes live at 12pm on the 11th of March.**

The Spring HAF Activities will take place between 25th of March and 5th of April.

Activities for Families living in Gloucester City Can be found here: www.gloscityhaf.co.uk

Setting up a CABS account is easy:
Scan this QR Code with a phone camera for quick access



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