

# St James' Church of England Junior School



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## Newsletter

26 January 2024

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

Congratulations to our:

### Values Cup Winners



### Good Work Winners



Congratulations to 5B (Mr Matthews) who won the weekly attendance award this week with 98.3%.

## Important Dates & Holidays

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

Wednesday 31 January 9.00 am Willy Wonka at Sherborne Cinema for Year 5/6

Thursday 1 February 3.20 pm Movie Night (Finishes at 4.30 pm)

Thursday 8 February 9.00 am Coffee Morning

Friday 9 February 3.20 pm End of Term 3

### **February Half-Term – Monday 12 February to Friday 16 February**

Monday 19 February Start of Term 4

Friday 22 March 1.30 pm End of Term 4

### **Easter Holidays – Monday 25 March to Friday 5 April**

Monday 8 April Start of Term 5

## School Hours

<b>8.15 am</b>	Breakfast Club
<b>8.30 am</b>	School playground is staffed – children can be left after 8.30 am
<b>8.50 am</b>	Pupils come into school
<b>9.00 am</b>	First session
<b>3.20 pm</b>	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.**

## Movie Night – Monday 1 February

3.20 – 4.30 pm - £1 per child, including a drink and a biscuit. Bring back slips asap with payment.

## Year 5 and Year 6 Trip to Sherborne Cinema – Wednesday 31 January – 9.00 am

£2 per child. Bring back slips asap with payment.

## Our Marathon Runners

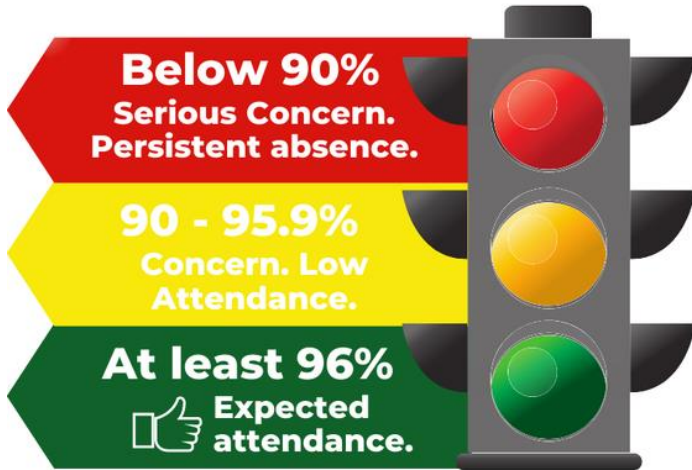
On Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April Miss Tredgett and Mr Hutchinson will be running the London Marathon. We are going to keep track of their training miles each week to see how far they will run altogether and where their miles could take them.

We will also be raising money during this time for the City Farm. If you would like to show your support for Miss Tredgett and Mr Hutchinson and donate to the City Farm details will be available soon.



# ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!



**Expected attendance means having no more than seven days off this school year!**

# LATENESS

How much time can you lose?

IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR

**5 minutes**  
late each day



### 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.

FAIR SHARES COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT PROJECT AT CITY FARM

## MAKE A FREE BIRD FEEDER

**SATURDAY**  
**3RD FEB.**

COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT,  
ST JAMES CITY FARM,  
ALBANY STREET

**11AM - 2PM**



Join us at our allotment to make some bird feeders!



Reuse old cups to make feeders which will attract local wildlife to your garden!

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

**NO NEED TO BOOK - VISIT BETWEEN 11AM AND 2PM TO TAKE PART!**



## Checkers Gymnastics

Our Gymnastics Camp (5+ years and above) will involve a variety of gymnastics movements, and even more fun and games.

- Beginners Tumbling Camp (5+ years and above) Does your child continuously cartwheel around the house? If so get them on our beginners tumbling camp! We promise they will love it.
- Intermediate Tumbling Camp is for gymnasts who have experience in tumbling and take advantage of some additional coaching to do more!

All our camps will be coached by our highly qualified and friendly coaches.

 **BRAND NEW CAMP** 

- Blocks Camp is open for MEMBERS ONLY from our Elite, Competition, Junior Competition and Development Squads. This newly created camp is all based around blockwork, to further develop our members in the technical aspects and enable them to spend a significant amount of time being coached along the way!

**GET BOOKED IN NOW!**

 [info@checkersgymnastics.co.uk](mailto:info@checkersgymnastics.co.uk)  Facebook Message  Upton Street, Gloucester

**REMINDER: School meals are £2.54 and should be paid in advance, in cash or via Parentpay. Please make sure your parentpay accounts are up-to-date.**



# With The Ball<sup>TM</sup>

## CheerDance

### Multisports and CheerDance February Holiday Club

**Tues 13th, Weds 14th, Thurs 15th February**

**St Peter's Catholic Primary School, GL13PY**

**25+ Sports, Activities and Styles of Dance**

**Sibling & Pupil Premium Discounts**

**Suitable for Reception - Year 6**

**Scan to secure your space!**  
(9:00am - 3:00pm)

**£25.50**  
(1 day)

**£70.50**  
(3 days)



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## Dinner Menu until Easter

GCC Autumn Winter Menu 2023		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>WEEK ONE</b> 6 November 27 November 18 December 22 January 19 February 11 March	Option One	Macaroni Cheese	BBQ Chicken with Rice	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Spaghetti Bolognese with Homemade Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two	Vegetable Curry with Rice	Vegan Meatballs in a Tomato Sauce & Pasta	Vegetable Roast with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Shepherd's Pie	Vegan Sausages with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Three	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise
	Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	Cinnamon Swirl	Orange Drizzle Cake with Custard	Strawberry Jelly with Mandarins	Apple Crumble with Custard	Chocolate Shortbread
<b>WEEK TWO</b> 13 November 4 December 8 January 29 January 26 February 18 March	Option One	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato & Gravy	Roast Turkey with Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Greek Chicken Pitta with Cucumber Dip & Potato Wedges	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two	Spinach & Cheese Whirl with Cucumber Dip & Potato Wedges	Vegetable Fajitas with Rice	Vegan Sausage with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	BBQ Quorn with Rice	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with Chips
	Option Three	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Salmon M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise
	Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Greek Salad	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	Lemon & Berry Cake	Eves Pudding with Chocolate Sauce	Chocolate Orange Cookie	Apple Crumble with Custard	Cinnamon Cookie
<b>WEEK THREE</b> 20 November 11 December 15 January 5 February 4 March	Option One	Lentil & Sweet Potato Curry with Rice	Chicken & Broccoli Pasta	Roast Gammon with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Cottage Pie	Fish Fingers with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Two	Tomato Arrabiata Pasta	Cheese & Tomato Pizza with New Potatoes	Vegan Quorn with Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Vegan Burger with Potato Wedges	Cheese & Red Pepper Frittata with Chips & Tomato Ketchup
	Option Three	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans or Cheese	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise	Jacket Potato with Cheese or Tuna M ayonnaise
	Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Seasonal Vegetables	Peas & Baked Beans
	Dessert	Vanilla Shortbread	Pear & Chocolate Upside Down Cake with Custard	Strawberry Jelly	Peach Crumble & Custard	Fruity Shortbread

### MENU KEY

Added Plant Power
 Wholemeal
 Vegan
 Chef's Special

**Available Daily:**  
 Fresh Bread – Salad Selection – Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt

### ALLERGY INFORMATION:

If you would like to know about particular allergens in foods please ask a member of the catering team for information. If your child has a school lunch and has a food allergy or intolerance you will be asked to complete a form to ensure we have the necessary information to cater for your child. We use a large variety of ingredients in the preparation of our meals and due to the nature of our kitchens it is not possible to completely remove the risk of cross contamination.

**caterlink**  
 feeding the imagination

The dinner menu is available, along with lots of other important information on our website:

[www.st-james-junior.co.uk](http://www.st-james-junior.co.uk)

## Technology STEM Camp

Longlevens Junior School, GL2 0AL on 12-15 February (Half-term)

Our aim is to **inspire, engage** and **empower** the next generation of creators, coders and inventors. We have put together an action-packed Activity Schedule with something for every child to extend their learning in a fun and unique way using the latest and greatest tech. Activities include:

- ROCKING ROBOT** - Build, program and debug...bring robots to life!
- INGENIOUS INVENTIONS** - Create electronic wonders, while exploring the world of circuits and invention with so many outstanding possibilities.
- 3D CREATIONS** - Unlock your inner Tech Artist and create mesmerising three-dimensional creations – let your imagination soar!
- MEDIA MADNESS** - Enthusiastic directors, actors, and content creators will delve into the captivating realms of photography and filmmaking, unlocking the artistry behind visual storytelling
- VIRTUAL REALITY** - With the magic of VR, you can explore breath-taking virtual worlds, design your own adventures, and unleash your imagination like never before.
- MINECRAFT ENGINEERING** - As a Minecraft engineer, you can build incredible structures, create ingenious Redstone contraptions, and bring your wildest dreams to life.
- TECH FUN** - Experience a mind-bending fusion of cutting-edge tech, heart-pounding action, and mind-expanding science, all in one exhilarating adventure.

All staff are DBS Checked and Qualified to run the best sessions in the safest environment. For more information check out our flyer attach, visit our website below or watch our video to see what to expect at camp <https://youtu.be/VWqFyudd9oU>

Our camps cater to **ages 5-12**. **Spaces are limited**, so **don't miss out** and **book online today**, simply visit: <https://www.nextthing.education/product/longlevens-junior-school-february-camp/>

Apply online for

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS**



Check to see if your child is eligible using the confidential online portal available on our website [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals)

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.