

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 **Love**

Congratulations to our:

Values Cup Winners



Good Work Winners



Congratulations to 4A (Miss Tredgett) who won the weekly attendance award this week with over 94%.

Important Dates & Holidays

Wednesday 22 November		Flu Immunisation (Please return forms asap)
Thursday 23 November		Photo catch-up
Friday 24 November		Non-school uniform Day (Please bring a bottle in for Christmas Fayre Bottle Tombola, in lieu of payment)
Thursday 14 December	8.30 am	Beauty and the Beast at The Roses Theatre (slips in please)
Thursday 14 December	3.20 pm	St James' Christmas Fayre – put in your diary!
Tuesday 19 December		Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Lunch
Wednesday 20 December	9.15 am	Christmas Carol Concert at St James' Church
Friday 22 December	1.30 pm	End of Term 2 at 1.30 pm

Data Sheets – If you haven't returned your child's data sheet a new one will be given to them to bring home the first week of November – please sign and amend and return to school. Thanks

Save the Date!

St James' C of E Junior School Christmas Fayre

Thursday 14 December – 3.20 pm

- ✿ Raffle (Food Hamper, Toy Voucher + lots of other prizes!)
- ✿ Bottle Tombola (Donations please) ✿ Stalls ✿
- ✿ Guess the weight of the Christmas Cake ✿
- ✿ Games Stalls ✿ Cake Stall ✿ Tea/Coffee ✿ Food Stall ✿



Beauty and The Beast Pantomime – a great opportunity for the children! Don't let them miss out!

We are taking all the children to see Beauty and the Beast at the Roses Theatre in Tewkesbury on **Wednesday 13 December**. The cost of this trip is £15.00 per child or £5.50 for those on Free School Meals (Pupil Premium). If you think payment will be a problem, please come and see Mrs Hayward in the office or email admin@st-james.jun.gloucs.sch.uk and we will help if we can. The children loved last year's panto! **Please return the slip, filled out clearly, confirming if your child WILL or WILL NOT be attending by 20 November, with some payment.**

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.

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 unless they are going to Breakfast Club.**

Cross-Country Competition

On Wednesday Miss Tredgett and Mrs Cossins took a group of children to the Gloucester city cross country challenge. Year four had to run a staggering 1.2 miles and year five and six, 1.5 miles. It was a tough race, in muddy conditions but all children showed great determination and resilience and did St James' proud.

A special congratulations to Klaudija in Year 5, who came in the top 15 and got selected for the Gloucester city training squad.



REMINDER: School meals are £2.54 and should be paid in advance, in cash or via Parentpay. Parentpay codes have been given to all non-free school meal Year 3 parents. Parentpay codes are available from the school office, all day Monday and mornings Tuesday-Friday.

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.

Coughs & Colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes. Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly, at home and at school.

Sickness & Diarrhoea

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea they shouldn't come into school until 48 hours after their last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

Chicken Pox and other infectious diseases

If you think your child has Chicken pox or any other infectious disease please do not bring them into school and let us know asap. If you do not know what the rash is please see a pharmacist.

Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. Please look up the advice from the NHS or ask your pharmacist on how to treat head lice if you find them.

Head Lice Advice

Within most schools at any one time, there will be a small number of children infected with head lice. Infection levels remain fairly constant so we need your help to combat the bugs! Head lice and nits are very common in young children and their families. They do not have anything to do with dirty hair and are picked up by head-to-head contact. Please look up the advice from the NHS or ask your pharmacist on how to treat head lice if you find them.

Items for sale from the school office

House PE t-shirts, rucksacks, book bags and school ties are available to purchase from the school office from 8.30 am – 3.30 pm. Please bring correct change. We do not take payment with cards. T-shirt (£4). Book bag (£7.50), Rucksack (£11.60), School tie (£3.25).

0 days of school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned