



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 **Integrity**

Congratulations to our:

Values Cup Winners



Good Work Winners



Congratulations to 6A who won the weekly attendance award with 100% and 3B who were runners-up with 98.1%. Well done!

Important Dates & Holidays

Take a look at the school calendar and term dates for 2024-25 and 2025-26 [here](#).

Tuesday 14 January	9.00 am	Christingle Service at St James' Church
Friday 14 February	3.20 pm	Last Day of Term 3
Monday 17 – Friday 21 February		February Half-Term
Monday 24 February		Start of Term 4

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 8.55 am. All children who are late (when gates are shut) 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.**

REMINDER: School meals are **£2.71** per day and **£13.55** for a week and should be paid in advance via Parentpay. Please make sure all accounts are up-to-date and in credit.

Parentpay logins for all children are available in the office. The school office is open from 8.30 am – 3.30 pm.

Year 6 Ice-skating – take a look at the photos [here](#).

Swimming for Year 3 and Year 4 - Payment for swimming of **£2.50** needs to be made every week (in an envelope with child's name on) unless it has been paid for in full.

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 & 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.

Got a question? Need to know something?

Term Dates ● School Calendar ● Trips and Visits

Please take a look at the website first before ringing us – www.st-james-junior.co.uk

Good attendance means...

Being in school at least 95% of the time or 180 to 190 days

365 days in a calendar year

175 days not in school!



Maths Café 3



Join your child and their teacher to find out more about their learning - Mathematics!



Where? St James' Junior School Hall

When? 8:45—9:15am

6A & 6B: Wednesday 8th January

3A: Thursday 16th January

3B: Thursday 23rd January

4A: Thursday 30th January

4B: Thursday 6th February

5A: Thursday 13th February

Please try to arrange to attend with your child.

Fully Funded School Support Course - Online Guided Learning with our friendly tutors - Full Time - 6 Weeks - Intensive Course

Fully Funded (FREE) NCFE | CACHE Courses available in levels 1 & 2 with fully funded progressions available for 3 level - starting on **27th January**.

The deadline to enrol is Wednesday 22nd January!

We run ONLY in term time and not during half term/end of term periods.

This is a six-week intensive course, with online live webinars with Aspire Education's friendly tutors, starting at 9:30am and finishing at 2pm (with lunch break) from Monday to Friday.

This is a six-week course, available in level 1 & 2, with live webinar sessions running from 9:30am - 11:30am, with a 1 hr lunch break, followed by a second 1.5 hr session from 12:30-2pm.

All you need is access to the internet and a laptop or tablet.

These courses are fully funded by the ESFA (Education Skills Funding Agency).

If you are earning less than £23,500 per year or claiming benefits (including Universal Credit, JSA, ESA, PIP, Income Support, Housing Benefits, carers allowance or any type of Tax Credit including Child Tax Credit) you are eligible for a funded place.

*Please see more details about our eligibility on our website.

www.studysmartuk.online

Take advantage of this opportunity while it's still available.

Please go to: www.studysmartuk.online for more information.



Adult Education
in Gloucestershire



FREE*

English Classes

For adults who speak some or no English.

For information, come to our assessment days:

Fridays - 10.00am to 11.30am

Adult Education in Gloucestershire

4-6 Commercial Road

Gloucester, GL1 2EA

For more information:

Tel: 01452 583800

Email: learn@gloucestershire.gov.uk

*Subject to eligibility. Please bring your passport or ID card.

