



# St James' Church of England Junior School

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## Newsletter

## 5 September 2025

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

### Important Dates & Holidays

Take a look at the school calendar and term dates for 2025-26 and 2026-27 [here](#).

<b>Tuesday 9 September</b>	9.00 am Welcome Service at St James' Church – No parents
<b>Thursday 11 September</b>	Swimming for Year 5
<b>Friday 12 September</b>	Swimming for Year 6
<b>Thursday 18 September</b>	Swimming for Year 5
<b>Friday 19 September</b>	Swimming for Year 6
<b>Thursday 25 September</b>	Swimming for Year 5
<b>Friday 26 September</b>	Swimming for Year 6
<b>Tuesday 30 September</b>	Wick Court Farm meeting for Parents/Carers
<b>Wednesday 1 October</b>	Nasal Flu Immunisation
<b>Thursday 2 October</b>	Colorfoto Individual Photographs Swimming for Year 5
<b>Friday 3 October</b>	Swimming for Year 6
<b>Tuesday 7 October</b>	9.00 am Harvest Festival at St James' Church <i>Parents Welcome</i>
<b>Thursday 9 October</b>	Swimming for Year 5
<b>Friday 10 October</b>	Swimming for Year 6

### School Hours

<b>8.15 am</b>	Gates Open/Breakfast Club
<b>8.30 am</b>	School playground is staffed – children can be left after 8.30 am
<b>8.45 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 8.45 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 new children are available in the office. The school office is open from 8.30 am – 3.30 pm.

### Important – Communication to Parents/Carers

We are now sending all communication via our new MIS system, via emails. It is important that you check your spam/junk folders and save our email address as trusted.

Please email [admin@sjjs.dgat.org.uk](mailto:admin@sjjs.dgat.org.uk) if you are not receiving emails and you are the main/second contact for your child please let Mrs Hayward know.

## 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.

PE t-shirts, ties and book bags are available to buy from the office from 8.30 am. Cash only please.

## Got a question? Need to know something?

Term Dates ● PE Days ● School Calendar

Please take a look at the website first before ringing us – [www.st-james-junior.co.uk](http://www.st-james-junior.co.uk)

Swimming for Year 5 and Year 6 - Payment for Year 5 and Year 6 swimming of **£2.50** needs to be made every week unless it has been paid for in full. Swimming is a part of the curriculum.

## 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!



**ROCK**  
Values

Respect + Optimism + Community + Kindness

### Open Week for Prospective Students Y7 Admission September 2026

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
9:30am to 10:30am



Guided tour of the school by our students

See our teachers and classrooms in action

Talk in our Chapel from our Principal

## Unlock Your Potential

To book a session, visit our website.



# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrco.de/minfec>.



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## School Term Dates & Holidays - 2025-26

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER							
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	Monday	6	13	20	27	Monday	3	10	17	24		
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30	Tuesday	7	14	21	28	Tuesday	4	11	18	25		
Wednesday	3	10	17	24		Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29	Wednesday	5	12	19	26	
Thursday	4	11	18	25		Thursday	2	9	16	23	30	Thursday	6	13	20	27	
Friday	5	12	19	26		Friday	3	10	17	24	31	Friday	7	14	21	28	
Saturday	6	13	20	27		Saturday	4	11	18	25		Saturday	1	8	15	22	29
Sunday	7	14	21	28		Sunday	5	12	19	26		Sunday	2	9	16	23	30
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY							
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	Monday	5	12	19	26	Monday	2	9	16	23		
Tuesday	2	9	16	23	30	Tuesday	6	13	20	27	Tuesday	3	10	17	24		
Wednesday	3	10	17	24	31	Wednesday	7	14	21	28	Wednesday	4	11	18	25		
Thursday	4	11	18	25		Thursday	1	8	15	22	29	Thursday	5	12	19	26	
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Saturday	6	13	20	27		Saturday	3	10	17	24	31	Saturday	7	14	21	28	
Sunday	7	14	21	28		Sunday	4	11	18	25		Sunday	1	8	15	22	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY							
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	Monday	6	13	20	27	Monday	4	11	18	25		
Tuesday	3	10	17	24	31	Tuesday	7	14	21	28	Tuesday	5	12	19	26		
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JUNE					JULY					AUGUST							
Monday	1	8	15	22	29	Monday	6	13	20	27	Monday	3	10	17	24	31	
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Term Time	School Holidays	Bank Holidays	INSET Days (No children in school)
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### Term Dates 2025-26

**Term 1:** Wednesday 3 September – Friday 24 October 2025

**Term 2:** Monday 3 November – Friday 19 December 2025

**Term 3:** Tuesday 6 January - Friday 13 February 2026

**Term 4:** Tuesday 24 February – Friday 27 March 2026

**Term 5:** Tuesday 14 April – Friday 22 May 2026

**Term 6:** Monday 1 June – Friday 17 July 2026

### Bank Holidays 2025-26:

**Christmas Bank Holidays** Thursday 25 December 2025

Friday 26 December 2025

**New Year Bank Holiday** Thursday 1 January 2026

**Good Friday** Friday 3 April 2026

**Easter Monday** Monday 6 April 2026

**Early May Bank Holiday** Monday 4 May 2026

**Spring Bank Holiday** Monday 25 May 2026

**Summer Bank Holiday** Monday 31 August 2026

**INSET Days:** Monday 1 & Tuesday 2 September 2025, Monday 5 January 2026, Monday 23 February and Monday 20 July