



# St James' Church of England Junior School

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## Newsletter



2 May 2025

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 5A who won the weekly attendance award with 98.4% and 3B who were runners-up with 98.2%.**

## Important Dates & Holidays

Take a look at the school calendar and term dates for 2024-25, 2025-26 and 2026-27 [here](#).

### Monday 5 May

Wednesday 7 May

Thursday 8 May 8.45 am  
All day

### Bank Holiday – school closed

School photos - Children need to be in full school uniform

Reading Café for Year 6

### VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Wear Red, White & Blue and 'street party' lunch

No hot lunch – children need to bring packed lunch

### Monday 12 – Thursday 15 May

Tuesday 20 May 9.00 am

Thursday 22 May 8.45 am

Friday 23 May 3.20 pm

### SATS for Year 6

Pentecost Service at St James' Church

Reading Café for Year 5

End of Term 5 at 3.20 pm

### Monday 26 to Friday 30 May

Monday 2 June

Thursday 5 June

Thursday 19 June

### Whitsun Half-term Holiday

Start of Term 6

Reading Café for Year 4

Reading Café for Year 3

## 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.**

## Doctors, Opticians and Dentist Appointments

Routine doctors, opticians and dentist appointments **SHOULD NOT** be made during school time. Only emergency/hospital/orthodontist 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. We may unauthorise the morning/afternoon. 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, so we can expect them in school later and also order them a hot lunch, if required.

**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. If you have a Parentpay account and our having problems accessing it; please contact Parentpay via their website.

## Got a question? Need to know something?

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

Term Dates ● School Calendar ● Trips and Visits



# **Victory in Europe Day**

## 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

### **Thursday 8 May 2025**

Children will be commemorating the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of **Victory in Europe Day** by wearing **Red**, **White** and **Blue** and taking part in a 'Street party' lunch outside on **Thursday 8 May**.

**Children will need to bring a packed lunch and drink as no hot lunches will be served on this day.**

If your child is entitled to a free school meal they will be given a packed lunch on the day.



## PE Days – Terms 5 & 6

Tuesday	Year 4	Dance Term 5
	Year 5	Outdoor Games
	Year 6	Dance (Term 6)
Wednesday	All years	Mr Knight
	Term 5	Tennis
	Term 6	Athletics
Thursday	Year 4	Outdoor Games
Friday	Year 3	Outdoor Games
	Year 6	(After SATS) Outdoor Games

## Clubs – Terms 5 & 6

Monday	Lunchtime:	Boom Whackers (Mrs Faulkner)
	Afterschool:	
	Maths Club	3.20-3.50 (Year 6) (Mrs Pervaiz)
Tuesday	Cricket	3.20-4.30 (Mrs Acton/Miss Tredgett)
	Maths Club	3.20-3.50 (Year 6) (Mrs Pervaiz)
	Art Club	3.20-5.00 (off-site) (Miss Dinwoodie/Mrs Savage)
	Dance	3.20-4.20 Year 5/6
Wednesday	Athletics	3.20-3.50 (Mr Knight)
Thursday	Luminova Club	3.20-3.50 (Mrs Bingham-Morrison)



**Free event:**

**Come and meet our Emergency Services!**

**Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1- 4pm**

A fire engine and police vehicles are coming to the Heritage Hub



**Everyone is welcome!**

Join us at the Heritage Hub, Clarence Row, Alvin Street, Gloucester GL1 3DW. Free parking on-site.

**For more information see our website at [www.heritagehub.org.uk](http://www.heritagehub.org.uk)**

**VE DAY CELEBRATIONS  
TEA DANCE  
10<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**KINGS SQUARE  
1pm-4pm**

**LIVE SWING BAND  
PERFORMANCES FROM  
MOONLIGHTING**

Live swing band Moonlighting will take to the stage, filling Kings Square with the sounds of the 1940s, while VE Day-themed music will play throughout the afternoon

WITH THANKS TO  
**Pied Piper Appeal**  
Making a difference to sick and disabled children in Gloucestershire

**80**  
**VE DAY**  
8 MAY 1945

**ALL AGES WELCOME**

**COME AND CELEBRATE WITH US!**

**HOLIDAY CLUB FOR SCHOOL AGES RECEPTION TO YEAR 6**

**GALAXY  
ADVENTURE**

**28TH JULY – 1ST AUGUST 2025**

**KINGFISHER CHURCH TREDWORTH  
MOOR STREET, GL1 4NJ**



**SCAN TO BOOK!**



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## School Term Dates & Holidays - 2024-25

SEPTEMBER					OCTOBER					NOVEMBER							
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	Monday	7	14	21	28	Monday	4	11	18	25		
Tuesday	3	10	17	24		Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	Tuesday	5	12	19	26	
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	Wednesday	6	13	20	27	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		Thursday	3	10	17	24	31	Thursday	7	14	21	28	
Friday	6	13	20	27		Friday	4	11	18	25		Friday	1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	7	14	21	28		Saturday	5	12	19	26		Saturday	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	Sunday	6	13	20	27		Sunday	3	10	17	24	
DECEMBER					JANUARY					FEBRUARY							
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	Monday	6	13	20	27		Monday	3	10	17	24	
Tuesday	3	10	17	24	31	Tuesday	7	14	21	28		Tuesday	4	11	18	25	
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29	Wednesday	5	12	19	26	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		Thursday	2	9	16	23	30	Thursday	6	13	20	27	
Friday	6	13	20	27		Friday	3	10	17	24	31	Friday	7	14	21	28	
Saturday	7	14	21	28		Saturday	4	11	18	25		Saturday	1	8	15	22	
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	Sunday	5	12	19	26		Sunday	2	9	16	23	
MARCH					APRIL					MAY							
Monday	3	10	17	24	31	Monday	7	14	21	28		Monday	5	12	19	26	
Tuesday	4	11	18	25		Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	Tuesday	6	13	20	27	
Wednesday	5	12	19	26		Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	Wednesday	7	14	21	28	
Thursday	6	13	20	27		Thursday	3	10	17	24		Thursday	1	8	15	22	29
Friday	7	14	21	28		Friday	4	11	18	25		Friday	2	9	16	23	30
Saturday	1	8	15	22	29	Saturday	5	12	19	26		Saturday	3	10	17	24	31
Sunday	2	9	16	23	30	Sunday	6	13	20	27		Sunday	4	11	18	25	
JUNE					JULY					AUGUST							
Monday	2	9	16	23	30	Monday	7	14	21	28		Monday	4	11	18	25	
Tuesday	3	10	17	24		Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	Tuesday	5	12	19	26	
Wednesday	4	11	18	25		Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	Wednesday	6	13	20	27	
Thursday	5	12	19	26		Thursday	3	10	17	24	31	Thursday	7	14	21	28	
Friday	6	13	20	27		Friday	4	11	18	25		Friday	1	8	15	22	29
Saturday	7	14	21	28		Saturday	5	12	19	26		Saturday	2	9	16	23	30
Sunday	1	8	15	22	29	Sunday	6	13	20	27		Sunday	3	10	17	24	31

Term Time	School Holidays	Bank Holidays	INSET Days (No children in school)
Election Day (School Closed as being used as a Polling Station)			

### Term Dates 2024/25

- Term 1: Wednesday 4 September – Friday 25 October 2024
- Term 2: Monday 4 November – Fri 20 December 2024
- Term 3: Tuesday 7 January - Friday 14 February 2025
- Term 4: Tuesday 25 February – Friday 11 April 2025
- Term 5: Monday 28 April – Friday 23 May 2025
- Term 6: Monday 2 June – Friday 18 July 2025

### Bank Holidays 2024/25

- Christmas Bank Holidays
  - Wednesday 25 December 2024
  - Thursday 26 December 2024
- New Year Bank Holiday
  - Wednesday 1 January 2025
- Good Friday
  - Friday 18 April 2025
- Easter Monday
  - Monday 21 April 2025
- Early May Bank Holiday
  - Monday 5 May 2025
- Spring Bank Holiday
  - Monday 26 May 2025
- Summer Bank Holiday
  - Monday 25 August 2025

INSET Days: Monday 2 & Tuesday 3 September 2024, Monday 6 January, Monday 24 February, Monday 21 July (Children not in school).