



St James' Church of England Junior School

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Newsletter

28 March 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 3B who won the weekly attendance award again with 98.6% and 6B who were runners-up again with 97.7%.

Well done to everyone we raised £140 for Comic Relief.

Important Dates & Holidays

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

Thursday 3 April	8.45 am	Writing Café for 5A Swimming for Year 4 Cake Sale after school – donations welcome!
Friday 4 April		Swimming for Year 3
Tuesday 8 April	9.00 am	Easter/Lent Service at St James' Church
Thursday 10 April		Swimming for Year 4
Friday 11 April	1.30 pm	End of Term 4 at 1.30 pm No swimming for Year 3 Easter Holidays
Monday 14 – Friday 25 April		
Monday 28 April		Start of Term 5 Portfolio Day (Photos being taken for website) – Children need to be in full school uniform School closed as being used as a Polling Station
Thursday 1 May		Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday 5 May		School photos - Children need to be in full school uniform
Wednesday 7 May		
Thursday 8 May	8.45 am	Reading Café for Year 6

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

Breakfast Club

Honey and strawberry jam are now available on bagels on Fridays. If your child has an allergy to either please let us know.

Doctors, Opticians and Dentist Appointments

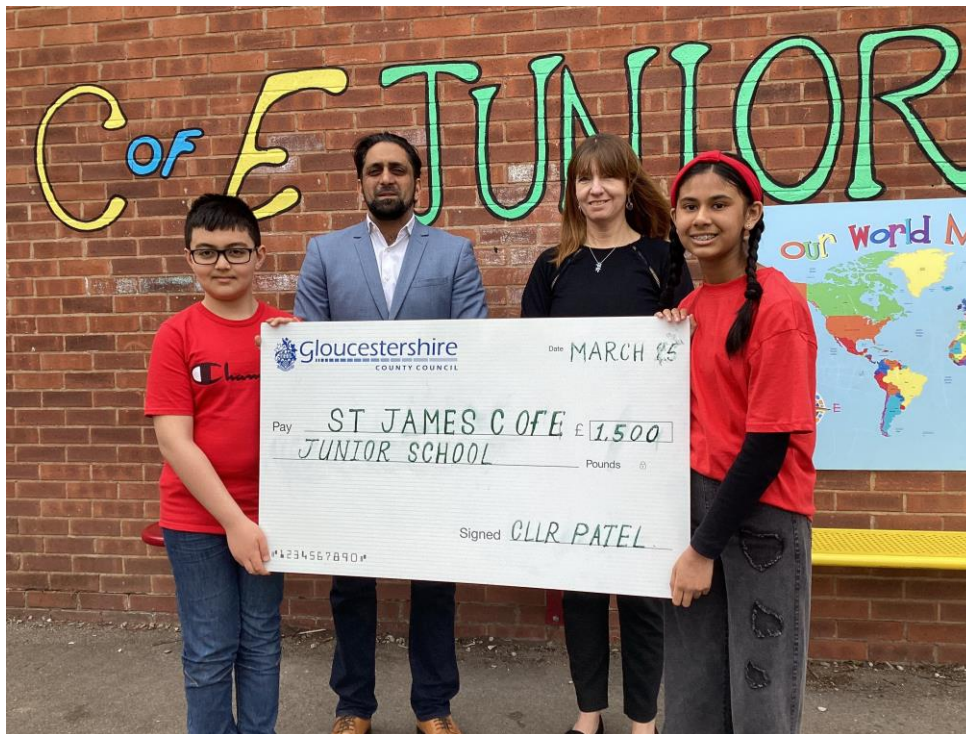
Routine doctors, opticians and dentist appointments **SHOULD NOT** be made during school time. Only emergency/hospital/orthodontist appointments should be made during the school day. All other appointments should be made after school, at weekends or during the school holidays. If an appointment has already 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.**

Great News!

We have received a local grant from Cllr. Sajid Patel with the Build Back Better Scheme for £1500 and will be purchasing all new sports equipment for the children.



Year 4 girls at Ribston Hall High School

They won the dance competition in French. They wrote their own version of the Hungry Caterpillar in French and played parachute games in Spanish.



Got a question? Need to know something?

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

Term Dates ● School Calendar ● Trips and Visits



Cake Sale

Thursday 3 April
After School

Donations welcome!
Please bring plenty of cash!

Free Spring Activities for Children, Young People & Families

Gloucester City HAF holiday activities & food

An update on HAF booking this Spring...

We will continue to allow families time to browse all of the activities that are on offer two weeks before they are available to book online.

From 17th or March 12pm, you will be able to view all the activities on offer in the Spring. This means you will be ready when **activity booking goes live at 12pm on the 31st of March.**

The Spring HAF Activities will take place between 14th and the 25th of April.

Activities for Families living in Gloucester City Can be found here: www.gloscityhaf.co.uk

Setting up a CABS account is easy:
Scan this QR Code with a phone camera for quick access

If you need any HAF related help then please contact us:
T: 07340 709 871
E: glos hafconnector@gmail.com

Easter Egg Competition for St James' Pupils

£1 per entry. All entries to be in by **7 April**. Prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each year. Pick up an Easter egg template from the office.

WE RAISED a TOTAL OF

£136.23

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THANK YOU FOR
YOUR SUPPORT

THAT'S ASDA PRICE

In partnership with
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Registered charity number: 022833. Limited company by guarantee and registered in England number: 03660271



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Eid

IN THE PARK

FAMILIES WELCOME

Eid in the Park

- Location: Gloucester Park, Trier Way, Gloucester GL1 1LF
- **Salah at 9:30am**
- Bring your own prayer mats
- Families welcome
- Contact Admin for food donations beforehand
- Stalls, Face painting, Mehndi, Candyfloss, Ice cream... etc
- Playground for kids
- **Parking on 30th (Sun)**
 - No parking or car access on site due to Gloucester Marathon
 - Park in Asda Metz Way ([Follow Asda's parking policy](#)) or nearby streets and walk to the park
- **Parking on 31st (Mon)**
 - Free car park on site

Stewards needed
Whatsapp: 07300 127 276



Please Donate Generously

Account name: ISOG
Sort Code: 53-81-21
Account number: 83279369
BIC: NWBKGB2L
IBAN: GB04NWBK53812183279369

Indoor in case of rain

- Location: 199-205 Barton Street GL1 4HY
- Park at Vaxhall Road Car Park
- No food allowed
- Limited spaces
- Families welcome
- Four congregations will be held
 - 7:30am (Urdu Khutba)
 - 8:30am (English Khutba)
 - 9:30am (English Khutba)
 - 10:30am (English Khutba)



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Beezee FAMILIES

How can you get your family to get more steps in a day?



At Beezee Families, we work with hundreds of families who want to start moving more, but struggle to find the time or motivation! Sounds familiar?

Try our Beezee bingo nature card! It's a great way to discover the wonders of walking. Keep an eye out for each object and cross off as you go!

We run FREE* healthy lifestyle programmes that focus on getting more active, eating healthier, and having fun while doing do!

Scan the code
to sign up today



glo.maximusuk.co.uk

Rabbits 	Daisy patches 	Horses 
Convertible car 	Bird of prey 	Someone wearing flip flops 
Lake or pond 	Butterflies 	Someone having a picnic 

Remember to stay safe while you walk! Carefully check roads before you cross them and don't get too close to the edge of water.



*Our courses are designed for families with children aged 4 and up.

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SMILES, PLAY & FREE DAYS EXCLUSIVELY FOR HAF PARENTS

YOUR CHILD'S EASTER BREAK? SORTED, 4 FREE DAYS OF PLAY, JUST FOR YOU!

If you're eligible for **HAF**, we're excited to offer **4 FREE DAYS** at our **Active Camps in Gloucestershire**. A chance for your child to dive into a world of fun, sports, and creativity.

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD Gloucestershire COUNTY COUNCIL

- ★ 20 activities from football, dodgeball, crafts & so much more.
- ★ Ofsted registered, providing a safe and child-friendly environment.
- ★ Ages 5-12
- ★ This opportunity is part of the Holidays and Activities Food (HAF) Programme, supporting eligible families.

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Dates
Easter half term: Monday 14th - Friday 17th April 2025

Time
9:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Location
Kingsholm Primary School
Guinea Street, Gloucester GL1 3BN

What's Included
Lunch, snacks, and a jam-packed day of fun (just bring a refillable water bottle and comfy clothes).

BOOK NOW
It's completely free for eligible HAF families, click below to claim your child's spot.

CLICK HERE

Not HAF Eligible?
Paid camp spaces ready to go below:

CLICK HERE

info@progressive-sports.co.uk www.progressive-sports.co.uk



THE LOST FLOCK

Make a Show In A Day! SEND & VI friendly event for families

Workshops in making, singing, dance & audio description - bring to life in performance!

Sun 13th April, 10am - 5pm
Blackfriars Priory, Gloucester
HookAndLoop.org.uk/TheLostFlock