

# St James' Church of England Junior School



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## Newsletter

27 September 2024

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

Congratulations to our:

### Values Cup Winners



### Good Work Winners



**Congratulations to 3B who won the weekly attendance award again this week with 98%.  
The whole school was 95.8% which is good but could be better.**

## Important Dates & Holidays

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

Tuesday 8 October 9.00 am Harvest Festival at St James' Church

Wednesday 23 October Parents' Evening

Monday 21 – Friday 25 October – Year 5 Residential to Wick Farm

Friday 25 October 3.20 pm End of Term 1

**Monday 28 October – Friday 1 November – October Half-Term**

**Monday 4 November Start of Term 2**

## 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>8.50 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 8.55 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 new children are available in the office. The school office is open from 8.30 am – 3.30 pm.

## PE Days

Year 3 - Wednesday and Friday

Year 4 - Forest School Wednesday and PE Thursday

Year 5 - PE Wednesday and Swimming Thursday

Year 6 - PE Wednesday and Swimming Friday

**Data Sheets** will be sent home via children over the next couple of weeks. Please check them, make any amendments and bring back to school signed. Thanks

## Aladdin Pantomime – December

Please get the letters back to the office as soon as possible so we can make sure we have enough tickets ordered for all the children to attend. Please make sure money is in an envelope with the slip and name on. It is a great opportunity for the children to watch a professional panto!

## School Closures

If St James' School is closed we will send out a text/email to all parents. You can also look at our website, listen to local radio or visit <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/closures>

## 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.

## 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](http://www.st-james-junior.co.uk)

# Reading Café



Join your child and their teacher to share a book and find out more about their learning!



**Where?** St James' Junior School Hall

**When?** 8:45—9:15am

**6B:** Wednesday 11th September

**6A:** Thursday 12th September

**5A:** Thursday 19th September

**4A:** Thursday 26th September

**4B:** Thursday 3rd October

**3A:** Thursday 10th October

**3B:** Thursday 17th October

*These times are for your child's new class in September.*



**Harvest**  
*Festival*

St James C of E Junior School  
Harvest Festival – Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024  
at St James Church 9.15am



This year we are supporting The Salvation Army with their Christmas parcel appeal. Each year, The Salvation Army send around 1000 food parcels to people living in Gloucester.

To support this, we are asking for you to bring in food for our Harvest celebration on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October. This will need to be tinned or packaged food and not food that is perishable.

Some examples of food which are used in the parcels are:

- Hot Chocolate, Coffee, Tea Bags, Sugar
- Curry Sauce, Bolognese Sauce, Tuna, Sweetcorn, Tinned New Potatoes, Rice, Pasta, Soup, Chopped Tomatoes, Peas, Carrots, Spaghetti Hoops, Baked Beans
- Custard, Rice Pudding, Jelly, Tinned Fruit, Jam, Breakfast Cereal

## Time Out for Parents: Children with Additional Needs Course

The course begins on **Monday 14th October 2024, 10am- 12noon**, in person at Treasure Seekers, 52 Westgate Street, Gloucester, GL1 2NF.

There are 7 sessions on consecutive Mondays (There will be no session on Monday 28th October during the school break). The final session is on Monday 2nd December 2024.

The cost is £35 total.

**Parents can book a place on the course using the link below:**

<https://kftseekers.community/civcrm/event/info/?reset=1&id=8>

This course is for parents of any child with an additional need for support, if:

- **You are struggling to understand or manage your child's behaviour, or**
- **Your child has developmental challenges, or**
- **Your child becomes overwhelmed by their emotions, or**
- **You're feeling isolated because of your child's needs, or**
- **Traditional parenting methods are just not working well for your family,**

Absolutely no official 'diagnosis' is necessary, you don't even have to know what might be causing your child to need extra help.

Through the course we encourage a willingness to explore ideas and find out what works for you and your family. We recognise that all children are individuals and no-one knows your child better than you.

The course offers practical, jargon-free advice and practical steps to engage and build relationships with your children with additional needs. The course is also a great opportunity to build relationships with other parents.

There are seven sessions, including:

1. Parenting Children with Additional Needs
2. Self-Esteem
3. Coping with Your Feelings
4. Understanding Behaviour
5. Managing Behaviour
6. Home and School Issues
7. The Wider Family

Time out for Parents: Children with Additional Needs is run by licensed facilitators for 'Care for the Family'.

## Do I need to keep my child off school?



<b>Chicken Pox</b> Until all spots have crusted over	<b>Conjunctivitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Diarrhoea &amp; Vomiting</b> 48 hours from last episode	<b>Glandular Fever</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Hand, foot &amp; mouth</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Impetigo</b> Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Measles or German Measles</b> 4 days from onset of rash	<b>Mumps</b> 5 days from onset of swelling	<b>Scabies</b> Until after first treatment	<b>Scarlet Fever</b> 24 hours after commencing antibiotics	<b>Slapped Cheek</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Whooping Cough</b> 48 Hours after commencing antibiotics
<b>Flu</b> Until recovered	<b>Head Lice</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Threadworms</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed	<b>Tonsillitis</b> No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed		



# Denmark Road High School

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## OPEN EVENTS

Open Mornings  
Monday 7th and  
Tuesday 8th October  
8.45-10.30am  
Headteacher Welcome  
Talk at 9am

Open Evening  
Tuesday 8th October  
5-8pm  
Headteacher Welcome  
Talks at 5.15pm and  
6.30pm

Join us for the Denmark Road experience. No booking required.

Denmark Road High School, Gloucester, GL1 3JN



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# OPEN EVENING

**FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS & PARENTS**

**THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER 2024**

**7 PM - 8:30 PM**



**Al-Ashraf Secondary School for Girls**  
Sinope Street, Gloucester, GL1 4AW  
Tel: 01452 300465

<https://girls.al-ashraf.org.uk>



**Ribston Hall  
High School**



## OPEN EVENTS - 17th, 21st and 22nd October

Ribston Hall High School would like to invite you to one of our Open Events on the 17th, 21st and 22nd October.  
17th October - 9.30am, 5.00pm and 6.00pm  
21st and 22nd October - 9.30am.

**Booking is Essential!**

Places are limited so please ensure you visit our website to book: [www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us/school-tours/open-day](http://www.ribstonhall.gloucs.sch.uk/join-us/school-tours/open-day)