



# St James' Church of England Junior School

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## Newsletter

9 January 2026

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 3B who won the weekly attendance award with an amazing 99.1% and 4A who were runners-up with 96%. Well done!**

**The Attendance Winner for Term 1 & 2 was Suleman in Year 6 - congratulations!**  
He won a £10 toy voucher.

## Important Dates & Holidays – Please keep a copy of the term dates handy!

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

Tuesday 13 January	Christingle Service at St James' Church (No parents)
Thursday 14 January	Swimming for Year 3
Friday 15 January	Swimming for Year 4
Thursday 5 February	Cake Sale after School
Friday 13 February	<b>End of Term 3 at 3.20 pm</b>
<b>Monday 16-Friday 20 February - February Half-term</b>	
Monday 23 February	<b>INSET Day (No children in school)</b>
Tuesday 24 February	<b>Start of Term 4</b>

### 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.**

### 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.

**There is an outbreak of head lice at school; please check your children's hair over the next few days and treat as necessary. Please check regularly. Thanks**

**Swimming for Year 3 and Year 4 – Please pay £2.50 every week unless it has been paid for in full. Swimming is a part of the curriculum.**



**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.

## Got a question? Need to know something?

Term Dates ● PE Days ● School Calendar

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

### Christmas Lunch/Christmas jumper day photos





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

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 – Fri 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