

St James' Church of England Junior School



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Newsletter

22 May 2026

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

Congratulations to our:
Values Cup Winners



Good Work Winners



Ribston Hall Science Day



Congratulations to 5B who won this week's attendance with 98.3% and 3B who were runners-up with 96.8%. Well done!

EMERALD House won this Term's House Award, and they will have a Non-Uniform Day on Friday 5 June, after half-term. Well done!

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](#).

Friday 22 May	End of Term 5 at 3.20 pm
Monday 25-Friday 29 May	Half-Term
Monday 1 June	Start of Term 6
Friday 5 June	Non-Uniform Day for EMERALD House
Tuesday 9 June	Year 6 Leavers' Service at Gloucester Cathedral (No parents)
Wednesday 10 June	Rotary Fun Day at Cattle Country
22-26 June	Health and Wellbeing Week
Wednesday 24 June	Sports Day
Thursday 25 June	Sports Day Back-up
29 June - 1 July	Year 6 - JCA Residential to Croft Farm
Friday 3 July 3.00 pm	New Build Open Afternoon for SJS Families
Monday 7 July	School Choir – Cathedral
Wednesday 15 July 2.00 pm	End of Year Celebration at St James' Church
Friday 17 July	Term 6 ends at 1.30 pm
Monday 20 July	INSET Day
Tuesday 21 July	Summer Holidays begin
Tuesday 1/Wednesday 2 September	INSET Days

School Hours

8.15 am	Gates Open/Breakfast Club
8.30 am	School playground is staffed – children can be left after 8.30 am
8.45 am	Pupils come into school
9.00 am	First session
3.20 pm	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 8.15-8.30 am. **Children are expected to be punctual, but they should not arrive in school before 8.15 am when the gates open.**

REMINDER – SJS is now cashless except for non-uniform days, charity collections and fundraising events. T-shirts, bags, ties and all trips need to be paid via Parent Portal on Arbor.

REMINDER: School meals are £2.95 per day and £14.75 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.

PGL Year 6 2026-27 – Year 5 Parents/carers can now sign up and pay for PGL for Year 6 on Parent Portal. Please also have a look at the PGL page on our website [here](#).

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.

Coughs & Colds

It's fine to send your child to school with a minor cough or common cold. But if they have a fever, keep them off school until the fever goes. **Encourage your child to throw away any used tissues and to wash their hands regularly, at home and at school.**

Year 3 Cotswold Wildlife Park Trip – see the photos [here](#).

School Disco – see the photos [here](#).



LATENESS

How much time can you lose?
IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR

5 minutes
late each day

= 3 days off

PUNCTUALITY MATTERS

IN ONE SCHOOL YEAR

5 MINUTES
late each day

= 3 days off in total

For your diary!

Denmark Road High School

Be part of the Denmark Road experience.

Join us for our Open Morning
30th April or 4th June
8.45-10.30

All welcome.
No booking required.

www.denmarkroad.org

ROCK Values Respect + Optimism + Community + Kindness

Open Evening

Thursday 4 June 2026
5:00pm - 7:00pm

For Prospective Students

Year 7 Admission
September 2027

Unlock Your Potential

Talk from the Principal at 6pm in the main hall.

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GLOUCESTER

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FAMILIES WELCOME
BRING YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS!

A DAY OF FAITH FAMILY & FUN!

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY | **SALAH AT 9:30AM**

GLOUCESTER PARK
Trier Way, Gloucester GL1 1LF



PLAYGROUND
FOR KIDS



FOOD & TREATS
DELICIOUS FOOD, SNACKS & DRINKS



GAMES & ACTIVITIES
GAMES, SPORTS, FACE PAINTING & MORE!



STALLS & TREATS
EXCITING STALLS, SWEETS, HENNA & MORE



COMMUNITY SPIRIT
A DAY TO CONNECT, RELAX & CELEBRATE TOGETHER

PLAN A (OUTDOORS)

- Bring your own prayer mats
- Families welcome
- Stalls, Face painting, Mehndi, Candyfloss, Ice cream... etc
- Playground for kids

P Parking pay and display is available around the park, if parking on nearby streets, please consider the safety and the residents in the area.

PLAN B (INDOORS – 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
 - 7:00am (Urdu Khutba)
 - 8:00am (English Khutba)
 - 9:00am (English Khutba)
 - 10:00am (English Khutba)

STAY UPDATED SCAN HERE!



Stewards Needed
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Find food support during the school holidays

Find out what food support is available for children and young people who are eligible for Free School Meals during school holidays when the Holiday Activities and Food programme is not running.


Step 1 – Community food support

Looking for everyday food support?
Find free and low-cost food support in your local community, including food banks, community fridges and local support services.

Scan to explore:



Feeding Gloucestershire food map:
www.feedinggloucestershire.org.uk/food-map



Other Support and Resources guide for families
<https://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk/haf-resources>

Step 2 – Half-term food provision with activities


Looking for food support with activities during February, May or October half term?
A small number of half-term sessions are available that include a free meal for children and young people who are eligible for Free School Meals. These sessions are not part of the Holiday Activities and Food programme and run outside of the main school holiday periods.

The focus of these sessions is on providing food and a supportive space for children and young people, with activities offered alongside the meal.

Bookings are made through the Family Hubs system.

Places are limited and priority is given to children and young people who need the most support.

Scan to book:




Visit the Family Hubs booking system
<https://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk/>

Step 3 – Urgent or crisis help

Need urgent help with food or finances?
If you're experiencing a food crisis or need immediate support, help is available.

Get access to emergency food, financial guidance and wider family support through the Crisis and Resilience Fund.

Scan for support:



Crisis and Resilience Fund
<https://familyhubs.gloucestershire.gov.uk/crisis-resilience-home>

This year's Term Dates



St James' Church of England Junior School School Term Dates & Holidays - 2025-26

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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 – Fri 19 December 2025
- Term 3: Tuesday 6 January - Friday 13 February 2026
- Term 4: Tuesday 24 February – Friday 27 March 2026
- Term 5: Monday 13 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 2025
- 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

Next Year's Term Dates



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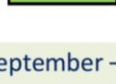
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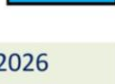
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Holidays



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