

ST JAMES' Newsletter

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2024



Doug Stitcher

Mr D Stitcher, Headteacher

Dear Parents/Guardians

Well, here we are at the end of another very busy term. I'm sure everyone is looking forward to spending some time with their families over the holiday.

On behalf of everyone at school, I would like to wish those celebrating a Happy Easter and to those celebrating Eid, Eid Mubarak!

We have finished the term today with our two church services and then our ever-popular Easter raffle – I'm sure it goes on for longer each year!

The summer term is usually the busiest of the three terms, and this year will be no exception! We

have our Year 6 residential at the end of April, followed by the Key Stage 2 SATS, Year 1 Phonics Screening and Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check – all alongside trying to organise sports days on days where it doesn't rain and planning our summer fair...

So, my advice to everyone is to have a good rest over the next couple of weeks and we will see everyone back in school on Monday 15th April 2024.

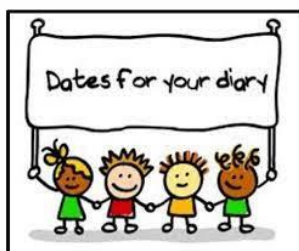
Have a lovely break.

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SUMMER TERM DATES:

Monday 15th April - School Re-open

Tuesday 23rd April – St Georges Day

Wednesday 22nd April – 24th April – Robinwood Residential

Thursday 25th April – Rock Steady Band/Rock Concert – 10am KS2 hall
(Parents of the children involved)



Contact the school office
immediately to inform us of **any**
changes to your **contact details** or
childs medical details



The after school clubs will resume after the holidays on 22/04/2024.



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We are excited to showcase the musical talents of St James' Rock Steady Bands and what they have been learning this term. On Thursday 25th April, parents of those children who are in the music bands are welcome to come and join us for a rock concert at 10am in the KS2 Hall.



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Family Hub

Darwen | Little Harwood | Livesey | Shadsworth



| Monday 1 st April | Tuesday 2 nd April | Wednesday 3 rd April | Thursday 4 th April | Friday 5 th April |
|---|---|--|---|--|
| Bank Holiday | 10.00am - 11.00am Fire Safety Fun Darwen Family Hub 1.00pm - 2.00pm Breastfeeding Support Group Livesey Family Hub 1.30pm - 2.30pm Spring Time Fun Little Harwood Family Hub | 9.30am - 10.30am Little moments together (0-2 years) Shadsworth Family Hub 1.00pm - 2.00pm Breastfeeding Support Group Shadsworth Family Hub 1.00pm-2.00pm Spring Time Fun Darwen Family Hub | 11.00am - 12.00pm Springtime Fun Shadsworth Family Hub 12.30pm - 1.30pm Breastfeeding Support Group Little Harwood Family Hub 1.00pm - 2.00pm Little moments together (0-2 years) Hancock St Children's Centre | 11.30am - 12.30am Plant a sunflower! Hancock St Children's Centre 10.00am - 11.00am Breastfeeding Support Group Darwen Family Hub 1.00pm - 2.00pm Little moments together (0-2 years) Little Harwood Family Hub |
| Monday 8 th April | Tuesday 9 th April | Wednesday 10 th April | Thursday 11 th April | Friday 12 th April |
| 1.00pm - 2.00pm Breastfeeding Support Group Wensley Fold Children's Centre 1.00pm - 2.00pm Spring Time fun Highercroft Children's Centre | 10.00am- 11.00am Spring Time fun Audley Children's Centre 10.00am- 11.00am Little moments together Darwen family hub 1.00pm- 2.00pm Spring Time fun Hancock St Children's Centre 1.00pm-2.00pm Breastfeeding support group Livesey Family hub 1.30pm-2.30pm Plant a sunflower! Little Harwood Family Hub | 9.30am- 10.30am Spring Time fun Shadsworth Family Hub 10.00am- 12.00pm Little Saplings Audley Children's Centre <i>(Outdoor forest school activities delivered by by an experienced outdoor learning officer from Earnestcooktrust)</i> 1.00pm- 2.00pm Breastfeeding Support Group Shadsworth Family Hub | 10.00am -12.00pm Little Saplings Livesey Family Hub <i>(Outdoor forest school activities delivered by by an experienced outdoor learning officer from Earnestcooktrust)</i> 11.00 - 12.00pm Plant a sunflower! Shadsworth Family Hub 12.30pm - 1.30 pm Breastfeeding support group Little Harwood Family Hub 1.00pm - 2.00pm Little Moments Together Livesey Family Hub | 10.00am- 11.00am Spring Time Fun Livesey Family Hub 10.00am- 11.00am Breastfeeding Support Group Darwen Family Hub 1.00pm-2.00pm Little Moments Together Little Harwood Family Hub |



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attendance ~~MATTERS~~



CONGRATULATIONS TO CLASS 1J WHO ARE THE ATTENDANCE WINNERS FOR LAST WEEK!

WHO WILL BE THE WINNERS NEXT WEEK?

| | | | |
|---------------|----|--------|---|
| 95% and above | RS | 99.1% | 🥈 |
| | RJ | 92.7% | |
| | 1S | 97.3% | |
| | 1J | 100.0% | 🥇 |
| 90% - 94.9% | 2S | 94.3% | |
| | 2J | 94.3% | |
| | 3S | 98.3% | |
| | 3J | 93.6% | |
| | 4S | 97.7% | |
| | 4J | 95.7% | |
| Below 90% | 5S | 93.9% | |
| | 5J | 93.6% | |
| | 6S | 95.8% | |
| | 6J | 94.3% | |

If your child is absent due to illness, the office must be informed before 08:35 on that day.



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WHOLE SCHOOL *updates*



St. James' Stars of the Week!

Well done everyone, we are very proud of you. Who will be receiving a certificate next week?

| Pre-School & Nursery | | Ahmad P, Fatimah G, Ibraheem P & Zayn Y | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---|------------------------------|
| RS | Yousef A & Ibrahim S | RJ | Aashir A & Hawa I |
| 1S | Abu- Bakr V & Amna A | 1J | Alyan I & Hajrah A |
| 2S | Bareera B & Raees K | 2J | Abdelgader A & Maryam I |
| 3S | Yusuf V & Rehan A | 3J | Muhammad M & Mohammad Umar M |
| 4S | Bilal B & Mitzee-Leigh R | 4J | Nabeeha M and Fatima P |
| 5S | Zahra G & Umaymah F | 5J | Sabeeh A & Shujah A. |
| 6S | Farha N & Mihai A | 6J | Aizah S & Oliver Hanan |



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YEAR GROUP *updates*

Forest Pre-School & Nursery

We have had a lovely end to the spring term. The children have enjoyed learning about Easter and really enjoyed the Easter raffle. Well done to the children who won an Easter egg

Action

Enjoy the Holidays!

Reception

We have had a lovely week exploring signs of spring and writing about the flowers in our school grounds. In maths we have been making number bonds to 5 and 10 using resources and games.

Action

- Have a wonderful, restful Easter break and enjoy a fabulous Eid for all those celebrating.



YEAR GROUP *updates*

Year 1

"Spring is truly upon us! We hope you all have a lovely break and hope the sun comes out to play. We hope the children enjoyed making their gingerbread people and fruit kebabs. We would loves to see any pictures you have taken. The children will be bringing home a plant, please look after it and take pictures as they grow."

Action

- Have a lovely break!

Year 2

Year 2 have had a fantastic week completing their non-fiction text all about frogs and worked hard in PE, consolidating their catching skills. We have also had a Spirituality Day, looking at the meaning of spirituality and completing artwork around this. We hope everyone has a fantastic Easter break and have a lovely Eid Mubarak!

Action

- Please complete any homework in the purple book and read with your child over the Easter holidays.



YEAR GROUP *updates*



Year 3

What a busy but great week we have had in Year 3! Year 3 completed their pneumatic toys and enjoyed visiting the Reception Classes to try out their toy and evaluate it. We have finished writing our adventure stories and a big thank you to all who have written their own adventure stories at home. In maths, we have been estimating, weighing and comparing mass.

Action

- "Please do not bring in toys or equipment into school. Smart watches and Apples are not permitted in school."

Year 4

Year 4 have had a fantastic week! We finished writing our persuasive texts in English and looked at tenths and hundreds in decimals in Maths. We really enjoyed making bread! We hope it was tasty!

Action

- Have a lovely break!



YEAR GROUP *updates*

Year 5

This week we have finished looking at decimal and percentages. We also converted fractions into percentages when the denominator wasn't a 100 or a factor of 100. We have completed a few tests this week and went over the answers in small groups.

Action

Hope you have a lovely break and Eid Mubarak for those celebrating over the holidays.

Year 6

"Thank you to all the parents whose child will be attending Robinwood. It was a very informative and lot's of information was shared so if you have forgotten anything please feel free to contact the school and we will give you more details. We only have a few weeks left until SATs week (13th May) and there will be another meeting soon to discuss how the week will work and when you will get your child's results. Please make sure that they children are well rested for the new term to begin."

Action

- Collins book's and homework will be sent out for the 2 week holidays



PRAYER

for the week

Dear God

Help us to love the world we live in.
Help us to have the courage to be exceptional in all we do.
Help us to respect the people around us
Thank you for making our school your home.

Amen



After School Clubs

- **Monday**
Y4 Multiplication Club
Year 6 SATs Booster Club
- **Tuesday**
- Year 1/2 STEM Multi-skills club
- Year 1 Phonics club
- Year 5/6 Girls' Football Club
- **Thursday**
KS2 tag Rugby
KS1 Well Being Club

Follow the school on social media to keep up to date on what is happening in and around school!

Facebook: [@StJamesCofEBlackburn](#)

Twitter: [@st_blackburn](#)

Please note that you don't need to have an account to view our social media pages.

