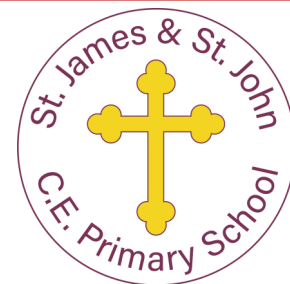


St James and St John C of E Primary School Newsletter



Friday 29th November 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please look out for the letter about Spring Term After School Enrichment Clubs that is going home next week. Our clubs are extremely popular, so make sure that you return your completed form by Friday 6th December in order to avoid disappointment. We cannot guarantee that your child will be offered a space in a club if their form is returned late.

With best wishes, **Mr Evans (Head of School)** and **Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)**



On Monday, St James and St John children lived out our school values of **'Community'** and **'Inspiration'** when they sang Christmas carols at the Christmas Lights Switch-on at Queensway.



Christmas Card Post Box...

It is lovely when children want to write Christmas cards to other children and teachers. From Monday, each class teacher will be keeping a post box of Christmas cards. If your child wishes to write a card to other children and teachers, they can pop it into the Christmas card box in their classroom, from next week onwards. These will be handed out during the last week of term.

POPPY APPEAL 2024...

Thank you to everyone who bought a poppy this year and showing 'community': an impressive £124.21 was donated to the British Legion.



Christmas Craft Fair –

Thursday 5th December - 3.15-4.00pm on Main Site

Please come along to our Christmas Craft Fair in the school playground on Thursday 5th December.

Autumn Term Music Concert



Thank you to parents who came to our Autumn Term Music Concert. The children demonstrated our values of **'Inspiration'** and **'Excellence'**, impressing us with their musical talents. It was fantastic that all children had an opportunity to perform and we all thoroughly enjoyed watching them **'Shine'**, led by Ms. Phillips and accompanied by our live musicians. Reception and Nursery children will join us to perform in the next concert.

You will be able to buy a craft that your child has carefully made. All crafts will be on sale for £1.00 (cash only, so please bring coins!). Some crafts will be on sale in the Y1, Y2 and Y3 classrooms.

There will be mince pies and doughnuts for all! We hope that many of you will be able to join us.



I have received and read the St James and St John CE Primary School newsletter of **29.11.2024**

Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Attendance...

Congratulations to **YR** and **Y5** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week. **All YR** and **Y5** and pupils came to school every day; **YR** and **Y5** really showed the school value of **Community** by helping their class to have the best attendance, this week. **James** and **John** (our attendance bears) will come and stay with **YR** and **Y5** for the whole of next week :)

Please make sure your child is in school every single day this term unless they are too unwell to come to school.



Our Prayer of the week...

Sunday marks the beginning of Advent...

Dear God,

As the period of Advent begins
Look upon us with love
and fill us with
the Spirit of Jesus Christ
so that we may remember
and love you always.

Amen



Person of the Week!

Nursery - Iris
Reception - Fraser
Year 1 - Alexandre
Year 2 - Rafa
Year 3 - Astor
Year 4 - Sofia A
Year 5 - Max
Year 6 - Matt



Important Dates for your Diary...



Wednesday 4th December - Nativity Performance - 10:00a.m. for **Y2** parents invited; 2:00p.m. for **Reception / Y1** parents invited

Thursday 5th December - Y4 and Y5 Explorer Dome Science Workshops

Thursday 5th December - Christmas Craft Sale - in school playground at 3:15pm

Friday 6th December - Non Uniform Day for **Y3** only - children donate £1 to charity if they choose to wear their own clothes

Friday 6th December - Y4 Trip to The Wallace Collection (Landscapes and Storytelling)

Monday 9th December - Y5 Visit to Westminster Abbey

Thursday 12th December - Pantomime Performance of 'Jack and the Beanstalk' by a visiting Theatre Group (for Nursery - Y6 pupils)

Wednesday 18th December - Carol Service at St. John's Church (Y1 to Y6 pupils) - at 1:30pm - **all parents welcome!**

Friday 20th December - Last day of term. **Children finish school at usual 'pick up' time (3:00pm** - Nursery; **3:15pm** - Reception to Y6)

Monday 6th January - Children back at school.



Work of the Week!

Every week a brilliant piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office). This week's brilliant piece of work is by Adele in Year 3.



During our recent exploration of **My Very Strange Teeth** from **The Julian Stories**, the students enthusiastically took on diary writing, inspired by the chapter's imaginative and engaging narrative. They worked on expressing the characters' thoughts and emotions based on personal reflections.

One diary entry that really 'shone' was Adele's, which featured a wonderful combination of vivid noun phrases and thoughtfully placed adverbs - an excellent example of how these techniques can make a diary entry feel vibrant and full of life.

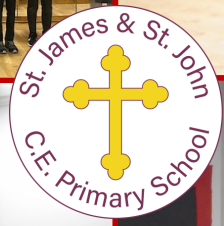
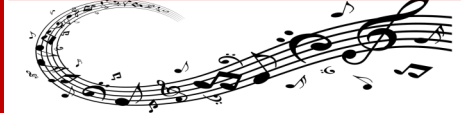
Well done, Adele.

Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mr. Evans or Mr. Peters. **We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**



Autumn Term Music Concert





ST JOHN'S
HYDE PARK

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

Sunday
8 December

4PM

A festive service for all the family, with the
Choir of St James and St John School.

Hot Chocolate served afterwards.