

St James and St John C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

A huge thank you to our wonderful PFA and St James and St John staff for planning and supporting last Friday's Family Fancy Dress Disco. It was lovely to see so many families coming together, celebrating our school values of '**Community**' and '**Friendship**'. Everyone looked fantastic in their costumes - *see photos on pages 3 of this Newsletter!* After half term, our School Council will be selling Remembrance poppies for £1 each in support of the Royal British Legion, helping those affected by war and their families. Poppies will be available to buy at the school gate daily at **8:40am** and **3:30pm**. Thank you, as always, for your continued kindness, support and generosity.

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



Y6 Residential Trip to Sayers Croft

This week, Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic, fun-filled school journey to Sayers Croft, demonstrating our school values of 'Determination', 'Friendship' and 'Community'. They challenged themselves in a range of outdoor and adventurous activities including woodland ropes, woodland compass activities, pond dipping, bouldering, a night walk, a camp fire and many more. The children also enjoyed dancing at their disco, exploring a World War 2 Anderson Shelter and visiting the tuck shop.



St James and St John Football Superstars!

Recently, Year 6 pupils proudly represented the school at the 'Go Shine Federation' Football Tournament at St. Mary's, Kilburn.

Our teams demonstrated fantastic '**determination**' and '**excellence**' and throughout the tournament, encouraging one another and showing '**respect**' and '**compassion**' both on and off the pitch. They were wonderful ambassadors for our school values of '**community**' and '**friendship**'. A huge congratulations to all children involved - we are incredibly proud of you!

I have received and read the St James and St John CE Primary School newsletter of **23.10.2026**

Name of child _____ Class _____

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

Attendance...

Congratulations to **Nursery & Y1** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week. **ALL Nursery & Y1** pupils came to school every day; **Nursery & Y1** 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 **Nursery & Y1** and 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. Thank you for your help with this :)



Important Dates for your Diary...

Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October - Half Term

Friday 6th November - Parent Information Coffee Morning - *Healthy Eating and Exercise* - School Nursing Service at 9:05am

Wednesday 11th November - School Photograph Day (No PE Kits to be worn today)

Thursday 12th November - Parent Information Coffee Morning - *Emotional Wellbeing* - School Nursing Service at 9:05am

Friday 20th November - EYFS/KS1 Music Concert - 10:00am in Main Hall

Friday 20th November - KS2 Music Concert - 2:15pm in Main Hall



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Left We Forget

Our Prayer of the week...

A prayer for the season of Autumn...

Dear Lord,

You have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. Remind us in the season of autumn to take time to rest.

Thank you for the wonder of your creation. We know that it is you who give us the breath of life.

Amen



Remembrance Sunday

Father Tim, Vicar of St. James's Church, has kindly invited our school community to join a short Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, Lancaster Gate, beginning at **2:30pm** on **Sunday 8th November**. We warmly encourage pupils and their families to attend this special occasion, coming together in prayer, reflection and thanksgiving to remember and honour those who have served and sacrificed their lives for others.

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 Marina in Reception.



In Literacy, Reception have been reading *Funnybones* by Janet and Allan Ahlberg. They retold the story using puppets and worked hard to write descriptive words, labels and captions.

Marina used her phonic knowledge to retell the story, say sentences aloud and even write sentences using the tricky word 'I'. She worked hard to form her letters neatly and use finger spaces between words.

Well done, Marina!



Person of the Week!

Nursery - Eyob

Reception - Ben

Year 1 - Sheri-Ann

Year 2 - Alysha

Year 3 - Alexandre

Year 4 - Elliot

Year 5 - Liam

Year 6 - Godfrieda

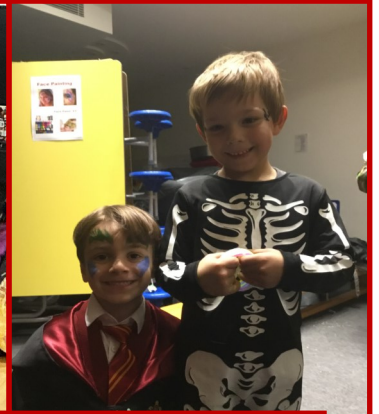


Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

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.





Family Fancy Dress Disco

