



NEWSLETTER

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ST JAMES'
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Thank you to those parents who recently completed the online Parent Questionnaire. The responses are being analysed and further information from these findings will follow once this is complete.

For your information, newsletters regarding your child's current learning in the classroom can be found on our website. Please keep an eye on our Twitter feed for regular updates about our learning.

Easter at St. James'

We are looking forward to celebrating Easter as a whole school community for the first time in two years.

On Thursday 7th April at 9.00am we would like to invite Year 2 parents to join us in the hall for the children to perform their retelling of the Easter Story.

On Friday 8th April we will be taking all the children from Reception to Year 6 to St. James' Church for our Easter Service, which will take place at 1.40pm and be led by our Year 6 pupils.

Due to space within the church we are only able to invite parents to join us as we are unable to accommodate prams and younger children.



Science Week

Across the school we have been enjoying our science week investigations and learning activities, including welcoming STEM ambassadors into Year 1 and 2 to learn more about materials and Year 3 and 4 investigating and making cranes.

In addition, we have started our whole school sunflower growing competition and have also held a science fair in the hall exploring everything from circuits to telephones to classifying animals.



Easter Raffle

From Monday 28th March we will be selling raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle. These will be £1 for a strip of 5 raffle tickets and there will be a selection of Easter eggs and other related Easter treats to win. We will once again split any funds raised between the school and Dove House Hospice.

Safeguarding/SEN/First Aiders:

Miss Strickland is our Child Protection Co-ordinator/ Safeguarding Lead. Our Deputy Safeguarding Leads are Mrs Moore and Mrs Hunter.

Our SENCo is Mrs Moore.

Our first aiders are: Mr Jowett, Miss Brown, Mrs Leonard, Miss Thorneycroft, Mrs Emerson, Mrs Drury, Mrs Allison, Mrs Ketley, Miss Pinkney and Mr Allen.

Governor Information

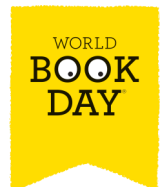
Our governors are responsible for overseeing the management side of our school which includes working on school policies, looking at the curriculum delivered in school and working with all staff. They enable our school to run as effectively as possible to provide a high quality education for our children.

Our Governors are Ms Patricia O'Brien (Chair of Governors), Rev. Gloria Naylor (from St. James' Church), and Parent Governors - Miss J Nundy and Mrs R Temple. Should you wish to contact any of our governors, you can do this via the school office.

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone for their support of World Book Day. The costumes were amazing and the day really helped the children enjoy a celebration of reading!

The online events with authors Michael Rosen and Catherine Rayner were also a really big hit with children (and staff!).



Parent Mail

We have recently gone cashless so all breakfast club, dinners, uniform and nursery fees can now be paid electronically. Thank you to the parents who have already signed up for this option. If you would like further information about how to get online to make these payments, please feel free to contact the school office.



Free School Meals

Since September 2014, all children who are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 in a state-funded school are offered a free, healthy school lunch. Although they receive a free school meal, this does not automatically qualify them for pupil premium funding. Children will qualify for pupil premium funding, including a free school meal in other year groups, if their parent is in receipt of eligible benefits. If you feel you may be eligible for free school meals, you can apply via the Hull City Council website and it only takes a couple of minutes: <https://www.hull.gov.uk/education-and-schools/schools/free-school-meals>



The cost of a school meal for children in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 who are not entitled to free school meals is £1.50 a day. Please speak to a member of the Admin team if you need any support with making an application.

Dates for the year, including Holidays

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide you with some dates for your diary. There will be additional dates to follow and letters will be sent home regarding any visits that we may be able to organise nearer the time.

DATE	EVENT
WB 4th April	Parents' Evenings
Thursday 7th April	Year 2 Easter Story retelling for parents at 9.00am
Friday 8th April	1.40pm - Easter service at St. James' Church 3:15 pm - School closes for the Easter holiday
Monday 25th April	Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 26th April	Children return to school and nursery
Wednesday 27th April & 4th May	Year 3 & Year 4 Pedestrian Skills training
Monday 2nd May	School closed - Bank Holiday Monday
Friday 27th May	3:15 pm - School closes for the half term holiday
Monday 6th June	Children return to school
WB 6th June	Year 6 Bikeability
Friday 22nd July	3:15 pm - School closes for the summer holiday