



NEWSLETTER

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ST JAMES'
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**Thank you for your support over the year
and wishing you an enjoyable and safe
Summer Holidays!**

Further information about the work of our Trust, Hope Sentamu Learning Trust, can be found on the website at

<https://hslt.academy>

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Summer Term at St. James'

We have had a busy summer term at St. James' Academy.

Fundraising

A huge thank you for your support with our fundraising efforts, including:

- Foundation Stage sponsored bike ride—the EYFS outdoor area has really benefitted from your donations
- KS1/KS2 sponsored assault course—which has supported and will continue to support school trips and developing our library
- Summer Fair—despite the breeze we managed to have a lovely time and enjoyed the games, food and bouncy castle.

Trips and Visits

The children have enjoyed bringing their classroom learning to life through a wide range of visits:

- Y3 Interviewing members of the public on their Ambassadors of Hull trip
- Y4 Learning about our maritime Trawling History in Hull
- Y5 being artists inspired by Hockney with their Paintbox Visit to Warter
- Y1 learning about animals and sustainable farming at Densholme Farm
- Y4 taking part in a city wide music performance with their violins at the Connexin Arena
- Y6 enjoying their Residential experience
- Y2 learning about animals and significant women in history at Sewerby Hall

We are very proud of their behaviour on these visits, when it has often been commented on by the organisations about how polite our children have been!

Learning Activities

Children have also been active and learned to keep themselves in the local community through

- Y4 Swimming
- Sports Days
- Y5 Bikeability
- Y3/4 Pedestrian skills

All this and still continuing to do their classroom learning and making fantastic progress!

Our final event of the summer will be our Y6 performance for their families on Thursday afternoon. We wish all our Year 6 pupils the best of luck in their secondary education and we look forward to hearing about their future achievements.

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 Gardiner, Mrs Emerson, Mrs Drury, Miss Richardson, Mrs Ledger, Mr Wigley, Mrs Allison, Mrs Calvert and Miss Hinds.

Do you know how to keep your child safe at home when they are using a mobile phone, tablet or similar electronic devise?

Although we teach the children on a termly basis about keeping themselves safe whilst online, we are still hearing concerning stories from some of our parents about unsuitable material or conversations their children have accessed (often quite by accident because settings on devices did not protect them). Many parents and staff are surprised and alarmed by the extent that some people will go to, to gain access to children online.

Information on how to keep your child safe online can be found on the school website.



Preparation for September

School Uniform

Children continue to look smart in their

- Light grey trousers/skirts/shorts
- White polo shirts
- Red jumper or cardigans
- Black school shoes (trainers must be plain black with no coloured soles/strips/logos/laces etc)
- Sandshoes are needed to be worn inside school

Thank you for your support of our school uniform policy.

Please write your child's name in their uniform, this prevents any upset if items are misplaced.

PE Kit

Please ensure your child wears the correct PE kit at school. This consists of a

- Plain white T-shirt and plain red shorts
- Outdoor kit of plain black joggers and sweatshirts

As many PE lessons this term will take place outside, children may need to wear trainers for these lessons.

If you need to order any items of school uniform, please contact the school office and they will be able to help you with this.

Attendance

A good attendance record has a very positive impact on children's achievement, their ability to socialise and their emotional well being. Please remember that we are unable to authorise any absence due to holidays taken during term time and that penalty notices may be issued to parents of children who are absent due to a holiday (**In line with new Government Guidelines this will increase in September to £80 per parent, per child**). Holidays during term time can seriously disrupt children's learning. Not only do they miss the teaching provided on the days they are away, they are also less prepared for the lessons building on this learning after their return. As a result, your child's progress will be seriously slowed and there may also be a future risk of underachievement.

Punctuality

It is also essential that children arrive at school **on time** to ensure they do not miss out on any of their learning or cause disruption to the learning of others. Children should not be on the school site before 8.40 am unless they are attending the breakfast club. Classrooms are open from **8:45am and registration is at 8:55am**. Any child arriving after 8:55am should report to the school office. This will be reflected in a late mark that will impact on your child's attendance record.

New lunchtimes

In order to comply with the Government guidelines coming into force in September, related to the number of hours children need to be in education, we will be reducing our lunchtimes from 1 hour to 45mins—in line with the other schools in our Trust. All pupils will continue to have a 15minute break in the morning and KS1 will continue to have an afternoon break. School will still finish for all pupils at 3.15pm.

Jewellery

We don't consider it is necessary for your child to wear any jewellery whilst at school. However, if you feel that this is essential, please make sure that this is limited to one **small** pair of stud earrings in the lower lobe area and one watch; these must be removed for health and safety reasons when taking part in P.E. lessons.

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) and Parent Governor - Miss J Nundy. Should you wish to contact our governors, you can do this via the school office.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is open daily for working parents from 7.45am and costs £1.50 per child per day. Please remember that this must be booked prior to attendance and children can arrive at breakfast club up to 8:20am.

After School Club

We are continuing with our After School Club in September. The provision is open to pupils from Reception to Year 6 and children will need to be collected from the main school office. Children will be provided with a drink of juice and a biscuit after school – allergy information will be checked and followed.

Children can stay between 3.15pm – 5.00pm and will be charged at £5.00 per night. Children will need to be booked and paid for (either through the ParentMail App or at the school office) on the Friday before the following week for children to be able to attend the After School provision.

Important Information about Funding – Please help us to help your children:

We are trying to get additional funding into school to enable us to again begin taking the children on subsidised visits out of school to support their learning. If at any time you are in receipt of any of the benefits listed below:-

Income Support, Jobseekers Allowance, Child Tax Credit (with an annual income of not more than £16,190 as assessed by the Inland Revenue), Guarantee element of State Pension Credit, Income Related Employment and Support Allowance or an Asylum Seeker and you have not completed a form since receiving these benefits, please pop into the office and we will help you to complete a simple form that will ensure your child gets free school meals when they are in key stage 2 and helps us to get additional money into school. This is called pupil premium. Please speak to Mrs Todd our Administration Officer if you require more information.

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 etc we are able to organise nearer the time.

DATE	EVENT
Friday 19th July	3:15 pm - School closes for the summer holiday
Monday 2nd September	Teacher Training Day—uniform orders can be collected from the school office
Tuesday 3rd September	School opens to pupils
Friday 25th October	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 4th November	School opens to pupils
Thursday 19th December	School closes for Christmas holiday
Tuesday 7th January	School opens to pupils
Friday 14th February	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 24th February	School opens to pupils
Friday 4th April	School closes for Easter holiday
Tuesday 22nd April	School opens to pupils
Friday 23rd May	School closes for half term holiday
Monday 2nd June	School opens to pupils
Friday 18th July	School closes for summer holiday