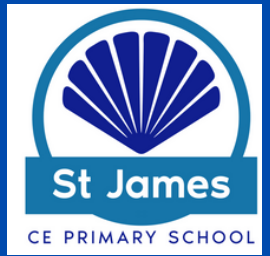


# Learning together with courage and kindness 'For the good of all' 1 Corinthians 12



## St James News

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Jan 26th 2024

### WHAT'S IN THIS ISSUE?

- Our vision
- Dates for your diary

Dear St James Families,

Attendance this week: 95.4%

School & Trust target: 96%

This week I've been so proud to see so much excellent learning! Some of my highlights included visiting outdoor learning - the Forest area is looking amazing thanks to a lot of hard work from Miss Hawkes! The children told me all about Robins and what they were making, including a birdy banquet and dens. There was some brilliant team work!

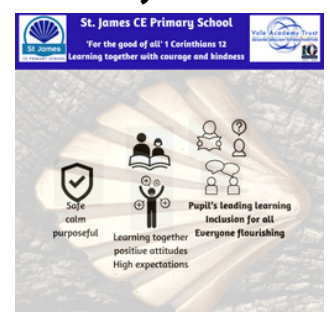


Thank you to Elysia, Maya & Darcy for leading Collective Worship this week, which was a chance to remind everyone about our values, why they matter and how we can show them 'for the good of all' They did a fantastic job and it was great to see the pupils taking the lead! Thank you Millie as well who led the prayer beautifully!



**Our vision: TO ENABLE ALL TO FLOURISH TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE FOR THE GOOD OF ALL**

Having the children leading Collective worship ties in really well with the work we have been doing on our vision for the school - creating a visual representation of our aspirations for St James. So far feedback has been positive from staff and Governors and I'd been keen to hear any families' thoughts!



# Key Dates for the Diary

Jan/Feb 2024

<p>30<sup>th</sup> Jan</p> 	<p><b>Year 1 trip to Uffington White Horse</b> Date to be confirmed - More details to follow.</p>
<p>31<sup>st</sup> Jan</p> 	<p><b>Rags to Riches (Bags to School)</b> This is a great way to raise funds for the school by getting rid of unwanted clothes, shoes etc. Bring your bags to school (by 9am) or leave them at the village hall car park and SAC will ensure the bags get into school.</p>
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</p> <p><b>NSPCC</b></p>	<p><b>Dress up for Digits Day (NSPCC)</b> A great way to raise money for the NSPCC and fun too! More details to follow.</p>
<p>8<sup>th</sup> Feb</p> 	<p><b>Engineering Fair open classrooms 3-3.30pm</b> This term, the children will be designing and creating a product for our Engineering Fair. These will be judged on 8<sup>th</sup> February and parents are invited to walk round school and see all the children's entries. The winners will be invited to the final at Williams on 27th March.</p>
<p>9<sup>th</sup> Feb</p> 	<p><b>Last day of term</b> School ends at 3.20pm</p>



Our school is a member of the NSPCC Helping Hands scheme.

Please help us by donating your unwanted reusable clothes and accessories. Donated items become affordable clothing and accessories.

**WE ACCEPT CLEAN, GOOD QUALITY, DRY, REUSABLE CLOTHING**

- Adults, Childrens & Babies Clothing
- Jewellery and Accessories
- Paired Shoes and Footwear
- Belts and Handbags

A full list of reusable items is listed on our website [www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk](http://www.rags2riches4schools.co.uk)

**WE DO NOT ACCEPT**

POOR QUALITY ITEMS SUCH AS DIRTY, WET, RIPPED OR SOILED CLOTHES, PILLOWS, DUVETS, CURTAINS, BOOKS CDs OR ANY UNIFORM

Please use the clothing bag provided. You can also use any additional bag if required.



**NSPCC**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to be supporting the NSPCC by taking part in Number Day on **Friday 2 February 2024**.



**St James Helping Hands email:**  
**helpinghandshanney@gmail.com**

**Please remember to keep your contact information up to date and let us know immediately if anything changes.**

# After School Enrichment Clubs

3:20pm-4:15pm

Clubs are £3.00 per session, please book via [Parentmail](#)

*This clubs are enrichment opportunities, not childcare  
\*charged via provider not £3.00 a session*

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 <p><b>iRock</b></p> <p>Who: Reception upwards Where: Library</p> <p>Booking <a href="#">direct</a> with <b>iRock*</b></p>	 <p>Singing Choir</p> <p>Who: Yr 1 – Yr6 Where: Library</p>	 <p>Football</p> <p>Who: 3, 4, 5 &amp; 6 Where: MUGA/ Field</p>	 <p>Martial Arts</p> <p>Who: Yr 2- 6 Where: Hall</p>	
		 <p>Dungeons &amp; Dragons</p> <p>Who: Yr 4 – 6 Where: Year 5 Finish 4:30pm</p>	 <p>Piano Lesson</p> <p>Who: Yr 1 upwards Where: Harbour</p> <p>Booking direct*</p>	
			 <p>Netball</p> <p>Who: Yr 4 – 6 Where: MUGA</p>	

**“THIS MORNING, HE HAD A RUNNY NOSE... BUT LOOK AT HIM NOW!”**

**MOMENTS MATTER, ATTENDANCE COUNTS.**



HM Government

Head to the NHS website to find out more.



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in conjunction with Vale Academy Trust  
For ages 3-14 years old



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Our activities camp will help spark your child's creativity, promote wellbeing, as well as developing their social and essential skills in a range of different topics, from building to baking, from crafts to gardening.



**Full Day:** 9am-3.30pm - £25

**Half Day:** 9am-1pm or 11.30am-3.30pm - £20

8am 'Early Bird' (£10)

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**Childcare Vouchers Accepted**

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