



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Families

Welcome back to the Autumn term. The school is a hive of activity and the children are flourishing together. Lots of amazing activities are planned for this half term for the children and lots of learning!

I hope that you enjoy the newsletter and take some time to celebrate the gifts and talents of the children at St James'.

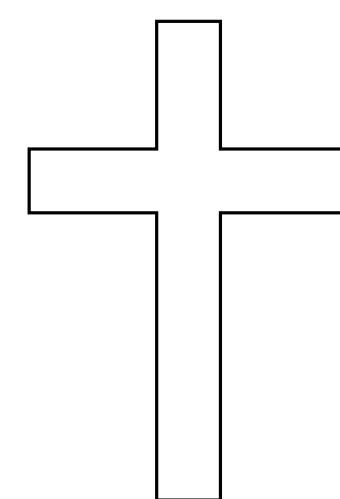
Mrs Dugdale

Worship

This year in collective worship, we are learning all about God's Big Story. Each week we are going to be introduced to a theme and a guest storyteller from Blackburn Diocese of Education.

Next month we will be learning all about:

- **The Wise King**
- **Words of Wisdom**
- **The Two Houses**
- **Wisdom is the Key**

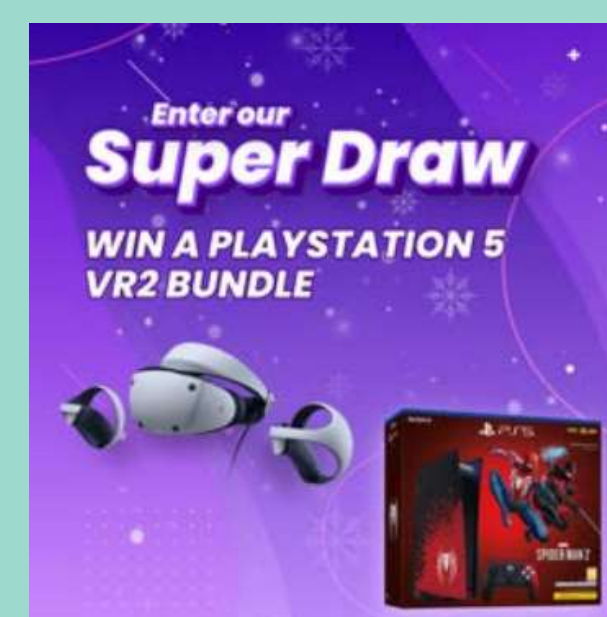


School Lottery

The School Lottery is a brilliant resource for parents to sign up to that provides funds for the PTFA, and you can also win prizes weekly!

Please sign up to the lottery and help our school.

<http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/>





Class Worship

Oak Class prepared and performed their Class Worship at Church in October and they had the theme of generosity. They were able to show how the Bible highlights generosity as being one of our values, how we demonstrate generosity on a daily basis and how being generous makes others feel. Every member of Oak Class was involved, and we were all very proud of their singing, reading and performance skills. The children then performed the worship to the rest of the children in school and received lots of praise from staff and children. We are now looking forward to enjoying and learning about the other values that the other classes are covering for their worships.

We have scheduled our class worships for the upcoming year. This year they will be held at St James' Church, Briercliffe. Families are welcome to join the congregation. Please see below for the date/time of your child's class.

Hawthorn Class - Tuesday 19th November @ 2.30pm

Sycamore Class - Tuesday 26th November @ 2.30pm

Rowan Class - Tuesday 28th January @ 2.30pm

Hazel Class - Tuesday 11th February @ 2.30pm

Willow Class - Tuesday 11th March @ 2.30pm

Beech Class - Tuesday 1st April @ 2.30pm

Elm Class - Tuesday 20th May @ 2.30pm

Ash Class - Tuesday 1st July @ 2.30pm



Non-Uniform Day

On Friday 8th November, we are holding a non-uniform day. We are asking that children bring in items for a tombola stall, e.g. bottles, chocolates, pamper items etc. These will be used for St James' Church Christmas Fair. The fair will be held on Saturday 16th November, 11am-2pm, at the Community Centre.





Willow Class Family Friday

Before half term, Willow Class had their Family Friday celebration. This involved the whole of Willow Class. The Family Friday was linked to what we had been learning in class over Autumn 1. Our DT station was linked to making a moving monster and the children had to teach their parents how to create one. Our Science station was linked to the different types of animal classes, with children and parents creating a fact-file on their chosen animal. Our English station was linked to writing Autumn poems with rhyming words, while our Geography station involved children and parents using Atlases to label the countries and major cities of the United Kingdom. The Maths station involved 'hit the button' where parents and children would compete against each other for the highest score linked to number bonds, and our Art area involved using leaves to create art printing linked to an Autumn scene. It was lovely to see the children sharing what they had learnt in class with their parents, and the afternoon was thoroughly enjoyed by all parents and children.





Year 3/4 Tag Rugby Festival

Well done to the pupils who took part in the Year 3/4 Tag Rugby Festival. They played really well and had a great time!



Fantastic Four Football League

The Fantastic Four Football League started this week, and the team's first game was against Stoneyholme Primary School. Unfortunately, they lost 3-0, but they tried their best and worked hard as a team.





Forest School

In Forest School, Sycamore Class and Hawthorn Class have been looking at 'Me and My Relationships'. They worked with different friendship groups. They have made pumpkin lanterns and bird feeders, and took part in den building, tree climbing and fire lighting. This enabled the children to think of the way they can act kindly to others.





Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Harvest Festival. Our School Council Leads delivered it to Burnley Together before the Half Term break.



PE and Forest School Timetable

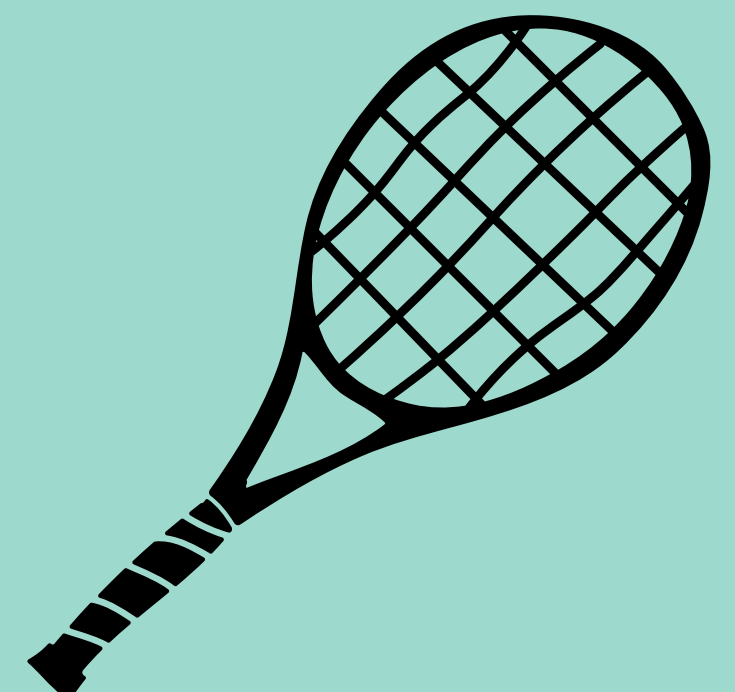
PE Timetable

Ash Class - Wednesday
Elm Class - Wednesday & Friday
Beech Class - Tuesday & Thursday
Willow Class - Tuesday & Thursday

Hazel Class - Tuesday & Thursday
Rowan Class - Monday & Friday
Sycamore Class - Friday
Hawthorn Class - Wednesday
Oak Class - Monday

Forest School Timetable

Sycamore - Monday
Hawthorn - Tuesday
Oak - Friday





**St James' Lanehead Primary
School**



Open Mornings 2024

Thursday 14th November at 9.30am

Friday 29th November at 9.30am

**Please call the school office on
01282 426833 to book.**

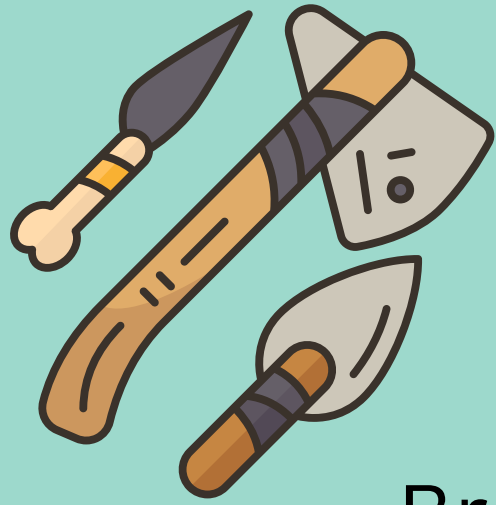
The deadline for primary school admissions is

15th January 2025





Upcoming Events



Friday 1st November

Hazel Class Family Friday @ 2.30pm

Monday 4th November

Bronze/Stone/Iron Age Workshop - Rowan Class

Friday 8th November

Non-Uniform Day

Flu Vaccinations

Y2 and Y6 Fire Brigade Talk



Thursday 14th November

Open Morning @ 9.30pm



Tuesday 19th November

Hawthorn Class Worship at Church @ 2.30pm - all families welcome

Friday 22nd November

Rowan Class Family Friday

Tuesday 26th November

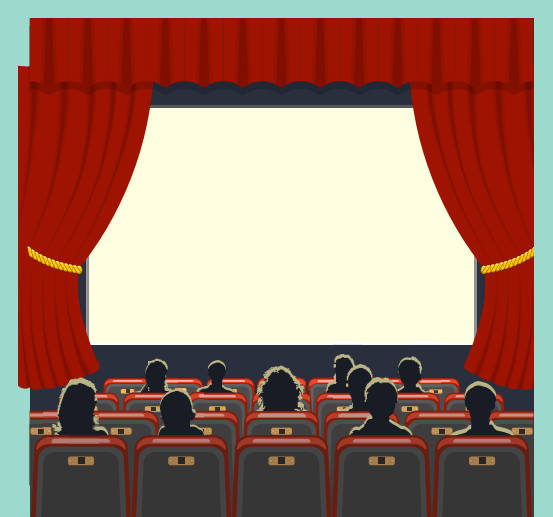
Sycamore Class Worship at Church @ 2.30pm - all families welcome

Wednesday 27th November

Pantomime in Blackpool - Rowan Class

Thursday 28th November

Pantomime in Blackpool - Oak Class





Term Dates 2024/2025

**Please see below our Term Dates for the 2024/2025
Academic Year.**



School Term & Holiday Patterns 2024-25

Autumn Term 2024

INSET (Closed to pupils)	Monday 2 nd September 2024
Re-open to pupils	Tuesday 3 rd September 2024
Mid Term Closure	Monday 21 st to Friday 25 th October (inclusive)
INSET (Closed to pupils)	Monday 28 th October 2024
Re-open to Pupils	Tuesday 29 th October 2024
Closure after school	Thursday 19 th December at 1.30pm
INSET (Closed to pupils)	Friday 20 th December 2024

Spring Term 2025

Re-open to pupils	Monday 6 th January 2025
Mid Term Closure	Monday 17 th February to Friday 21 st February 2025 (inclusive)
Closure after school	Friday 4 th April 2025 at 1.30pm

Summer Term 2025

INSET (Closed to pupils)	Tuesday 22 nd April 2025
Re-open to pupils	Wednesday 23 rd April 2025
May Day Closure	Monday 5 th May 2025
Mid Term Closure	Monday 26 th May to Friday 30 th May 2025 (inclusive)
INSET (Closed to pupils)	Monday 2 nd June 2025
Re-open to pupils	Tuesday 3 rd June 2025
Closure after school	Tuesday 22 nd July at 1.30pm