



Message from the Headteacher

Dear Families,

Please take a look at the newsletter and enjoy reading all the experiences the children are provided with here at St James' Lanehead.

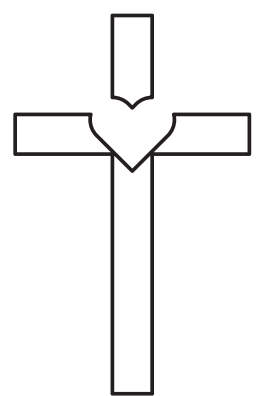
Mrs Dugdale

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 Board of Education.

Next month we will be learning all about:

- **The Ascension and the Great Commission**
- **Abraham**
- **Pentecost**



Class Worship

We have scheduled our class worships for the upcoming year. Please see below for the date/time of your child's class.

Beech Class - Thursday 9th May @ 9.15am

Elm Class - Thursday 23rd May @ 9.15am

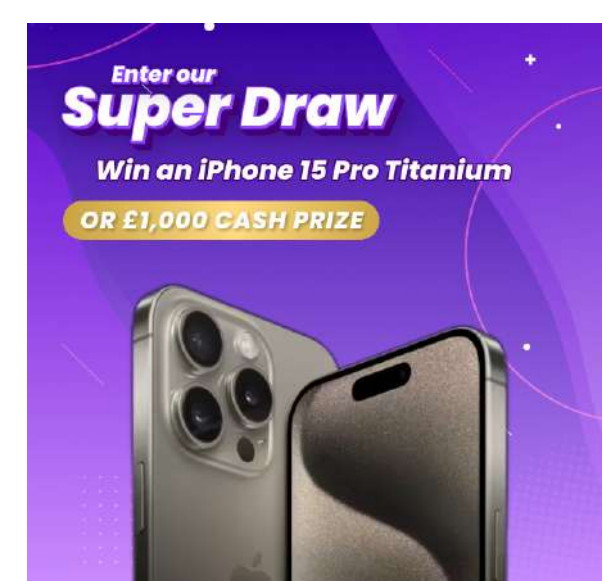
Ash Class - Thursday 27th June @ 9.15am



School Lottery

Please sign up to the lottery and help our school.

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





Outdoor Elements

We had a wonderful time at Outdoor Elements! We challenged ourselves to do some things we had never done before! We took part in archery, shelter building, problem solving activities and tree climbing! Please read some of our responses:

Ada - I enjoyed archery and hitting the bullseye!

Minnie - I listened to the instructor and then I got better at archery.

Ella - This is my first time of doing archery and I got better every time. I really enjoyed it and want to do it again!

Jeff - My favourite was archery! I got a bullseye and scored 1200 points!

Mason - I enjoyed shelter building and playing Capture the Flag with another group.

We all came back to school exhausted but we had an excellent day and showed great resilience and perseverance throughout!





Blackpool Pleasure Beach

Last week, we were lucky enough to go on a visit to Blackpool Pleasure Beach. This half term we are learning about the history of the leisure industry so this was a perfect visit to get us started.

When we arrived, we went straight to the classroom where we learnt about the history of Blackpool as a whole and about the Pleasure Beach. The knowledgeable guides told us about new rides like IKON which is the only ride not to be pulled by a chain. We then went on one of the oldest rides 'The Flying machines!'. After that, we went on a train ride all around the park to look at the behind the scenes of the park. On the way out, we saw Spongebob Square Pants!

Thank you very much to the amazing educational team at the Blackpool Pleasure Beach, this has certainly got us ready for our learning!



Spelling Bee

Last week our 6 Champion spellers visited Springfield Primary School to battle with Springfield and Cliviger St Johns' Primary Schools. We were so proud of how hard all of the children worked on learning their spellings and how speedy they were!

Four out of our 6 champions were victorious and will now compete in the Final round! We were so proud of how they supported each other and were so encouraging.

Well done to everyone who entered the competition!





Thornton Hall Farm

Ash Class visited Thornton Hall Farm and we had an amazing day. We saw calves, lambs, llamas, alpacas, rabbits, goats, donkeys, horses and pigs. The children got the chance to feed the animals food pellets and the animals licked the food out of our hands! We went on a safari through the fields to find the deer. Bruno was the biggest deer, and his antlers were starting to grow again. The children also mixed up some milk and fed the lambs and calves milk from the bottles. We laughed when the calves started running around because they were happy that they had been fed.

The children were so well behaved. We were very proud!





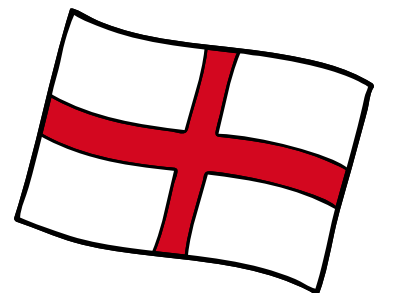
Family Friday

Eid Celebration

Eid Mubarak



St. George's Day.



Dominoes - Briercliffe Community Centre

The SWAT children and Chess Committee spent a lovely afternoon up at Briercliffe Community Centre, playing dominoes with the community centre members this month.

We look forward to visiting again soon.





Upcoming Events

Thursday 2nd May

Polling Day - Remote Learning
School Closed to pupils



Thursday 9th May

Beech Class Worship @ 9.15am

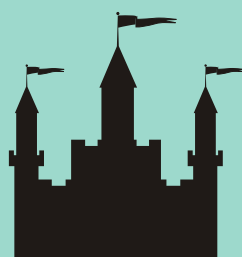
Monday 13th May

Year 6 SATS Week



Friday 17th May

Beech Class Trip - Skipton Castle



Tuesday 21st May

Elm Class Trip - Skipton Castle

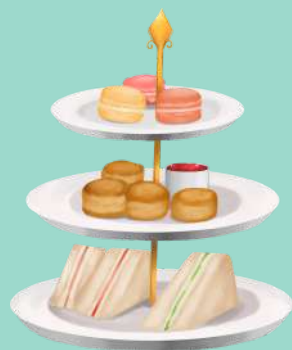
Wednesday 22nd May

Willow Class Trip - St Anne's Beach



Wednesday 22nd May

Oak Class - Afternoon Tea



Thursday 23rd May

Elm Class Worship @ 9.15am



Friday 24th May

Family Friday - Board Games



School Closes at 3.30pm for May Half Term



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
Polling Day	Thursday 8 th May 2025 – TBC (REMOTE LEARNING)
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