



A MESSAGE FROM MRS PATTISON

As my last week begins, I wanted to let you all know that it has been my very great privilege to serve as Head teacher of St James' over the last eight years.

I have so many things to feel blessed about; not many Head teachers have the experience of having a staff team that they love working with, supportive Governors, great parents and the most wonderful children. I know at times it's not been easy, but even through the tough times we've always managed to see the humour and keep a smile on our faces. I will truly miss you all, my St James' family.

To all of the parents I cannot thank you enough, you took me in and made me feel welcome from the start. You have made the experience at St James' a joy.

To all the children, you will forever be part of my family, my St James' Family.

I would like to thank you for the beautiful gift you have given me. I am wearing the necklace and earrings already and every time I wear them will remember with fondness St James'.

Although I am sad to be leaving I am excited about the future, and the next part of my journey. I wish the St James' family all the best, I will miss you all.

Due to continuing Covid restrictions we will sadly not be able to have an audience for our Carol Service on Thursday. This was going to be my opportunity to say Good bye and thank you to you all. However as this is now not a possibility I will be available this Thursday after school in the Key Stage 2/ junior Hall if you wish to pop in and say Goodbye. I hope to see you there.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

16 Dec	Carol Service 2.00pm
20 Dec—3 Jan 22	Christmas
14—18 Feb 22	Half-term
21 Feb 22	INSET Day
4—18 Apr 22	Easter
29 Apr 22	Extra BH
2 May 22	May Day
27 May	Jubilee Celebration Day
30 May—3 June	Half-term
6 June 22	INSET Day
22 July 22	INSET Day
25 July	Summer Holiday



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COVID-19 MEASURES

In line with DfE recommendations, all our staff will be wearing masks when in communal areas and corridors. Parents/carers and visitors must wear a mask when in the School building; this includes the School Reception Area.

If your child or a member of your family are ill with COVID symptoms, please ensure that all family members have a PCR test. LFT tests should only be used for routine testing, NOT to confirm symptomatic cases.

If your child tests positive before 20th December 2021, please can you notify us on the COVID email:

c19@st-james.lancs.sch.uk

So that we can advise contacts to test.



STARS OF THE WEEK

<u>Acorn</u> Theo Gregory Amelia Cottam Darcie Taylor	<u>Ash</u> Whole Class!	<u>Oak</u> Whole Class!
<u>Willow</u> Whole Class! Jason Dobson Anghelina Caes Eras	<u>Hawthorn</u> Gabbie Jackson Darci Knowles Isabella Newton-Naisbitt	<u>Birch</u> Scarlett Threlfall Xander Stevenson Archie Taylor Lily Taylor
<u>Alder</u> Maddie Rose Mia Braithwaite Harry Dixon Miley Brown	<u>Rowan</u> Jessica Kobielska Lexi Walton Dylan Guiver Maisie Hangreaves	<u>Chestnut</u> Lexi Devine Sirinya Smith Ben Threlfall Aiden -Lee Whitaker
	<u>Sycamore</u> Nicholas Kramarz Sam Wilson	

Attendance

The attendance figures for week beginning 6th December 2021 are as follows:

<u>Oak</u> 93.8%	1hr 25 mins	<u>Acorn</u> 97.2%	no mins late
<u>Ash</u> 98.4%	1 hr 10 mins	<u>Willow</u> 99.6%	15 mins late
<u>Birch</u> 94.8%	30 mins late	<u>Hawthorn</u> 96.7%	10 mins late
<u>Chestnut</u> 98.2%	no mins late	<u>Alder</u> 94.5%	1 hr 25 mins
<u>Rowan</u> 96.9%	35 mins late	<u>Sycamore</u> 96%	no mins late

School

96.6% Attendance

5hr 30mins of education missed due to late arrival

Government guidelines recommend a minimum attendance of 96%.

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

Thank you for supporting Christmas Jumper day. We raised £240 for Save The Children.

JIMMYS

If you require a place in Jimmys, please ensure you book in advance. The Club cannot guarantee availability for short-notice requests.

Places at Jimmys **MUST** be paid for in advance. Cancellations notified after 4.00pm the day before a booking and non-attendance will be charged. Jimmys can be contacted **during club hours** on: 07864 352507 or by email: jimmys@st-james.lancs.sch.uk.

In the New Year we will be trialling an online system. This will enable parents to make online bookings and monitor their account. Please look out for further information. We will initially require a back up copy of your bookings. Booking forms for next half-term were sent out today. Hard copies are available at Jimmys and the School Office.

**We wish you all a very
Merry Christmas
and peaceful and safe New Year!**

School reopens on Tuesday 4th January 2022.

