



The St. James' Journal Newsletter

10th November 2023



MR LEEMING'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our BOLD vision at St James' is about encouraging our pupils to be **brave**, **believe** in themselves and be **determined**. We were very fortunate this week to have David Spencer, a civil engineer from Clitheroe, speak to our Year 6 pupils about engineering and wider career opportunities. He encouraged our pupils to work hard and pursue their dreams.



We all want the very best for our pupils and we know that hard work and determination are vital to achieving this. Let's continue together to encourage these characteristics in our precious pupils.

Enjoy the weekend!

Parents Evening: Monday 13th November 3:30pm—6pm

Parent meetings will be running as they have in previous years on Monday. Please register in the entrance of the junior building where you will be directed to classrooms where books will be available for your perusal.

Meetings will be conducted in the hall.

The book fair will be available during the evening.

Update us

Have you moved or changed
your contact details recently?

Please inform the office asap.

Attendance

It is vital that your child is in school on time every day.

The class with the best attendance this week was:

Sycamore





Dates for the Diary



Mon 13 th Nov	Parents' Evening : 3.30-6.00pm
Mon 27 th Nov	The Grand Xmas Panto—Red Riding Hood of the Ribble Valley
Fri 1 st Dec	Friends Christmas Fair – 3.30pm
Mon 4 th -Thurs 7 th	Friends – Tea with Santa sessions
Wed 6 th – Fri 8 th Dec	Robinwood Residential Trip Y6
Wed 13 th Dec	Nativity Performance @ 2pm
Thurs 14 th Dec	Nativity Performance @ 4pm
Fri 15 th Dec (tbc)	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas lunch
Wed 20 th Dec	Christmas Service @ 2pm
Thurs 21 st Dec	Term ends
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Fri 22nd Dec – Fri 5th Jan)	
Tues 8 th Jan	Term starts
Thurs 8 th Feb	School Disco
HALF TERM (Mon 12th–16th Feb)	
Mon 20 th Feb	INSET DAY
Tues 21 st Feb	Term starts



STARS OF THE WEEK



Acorn

Jaicie & Anna

Ash

Zachary & Olivia

Birch

Rose & Reece

Chestnut

Patrick & Sanuli

Rowan

Sonny & Jacob

Oak

Kain K & Poppy

Willow

Ollie & Darcie

Hawthorn

Logan & Jack B

Alder

Harry H-G & Kayleigh

Sycamore

Harriet & Charlotte

Friends of St James'

Christmas fair

Friday 1st December

We need volunteers to help with: Set up, the event and clean up. If you are able to help with any of these please get in touch.

We are also looking for donations for our:

Cake sale

Toy stall

Hamper

If you are interested in donating to any of these please let us know.
Stalls are available to hire for local businesses.

To contact us please email Stjamesfriends@hotmail.com

If you are able to help with any donations, please drop them off at the school office



Tea with Santa

Would you like to meet Santa and enjoy a delicious indoor picnic tea? There will be crafts, colouring and Santa may even have something for you to put under the Christmas tree.

Santa will be with us between Monday 4th and Thursday 7th December and can meet up to 25 students a day.

Tickets cost £6 per child, with children being collected from their classroom.

Children to be collected at the reception by 4.30pm or booked into Jimmy's.

Book via our PTA site:

[https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamesfriends/?
event=event&eventId=70942](https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamesfriends/?event=event&eventId=70942)



We need helpers to run these events, if you are able to volunteer please email stjamesfriends@hotmail.com

If you are able to help with this worthy cause, all boxes must be received by
Monday 27th November

Shoebox Guidelines:

- Gift wrap the box and lid separately so lid can be lifted off, don't wrap individual items, use an elastic band to hold the box together.
- Choose the age and gender of the person you want to receive your shoe box and fill the box with suitable items. We deliver shoe boxes to all ages from babies to adults.
- Label the box with who it is for e.g: Girl aged 2- 4, Boy aged 8-10, Adult Female aged 60+ etc.



**International
Aid Trust**
Christian Compassion For A Hurting World

Things you could include:

- **Toiletries:** toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, flannel or sponge, comb, hair bobbles, roll on deodorant *No sprays, medicines, vitamins, tablets, matches or perishables.*
- **Toys:** Small toys, cuddly toys, balls, skipping rope, games, small jigsaws etc. *No guns or war toys.*
- **Clothes:** Socks, T-shirts, hats, scarves, gloves, underwear, socks, Babygro for little ones.
- **Stationery:** pens, pencils, crayons, eraser, sharpener, notebooks, colouring books, *if sending scissors to children, please ensure they are round ended safety type.*
- **Practical items:** plastic bowl, cup, cutlery. For teens and adults: a small sewing kit, string, safety pins, a wind up torch or plasters are all helpful.
- **Personal :** a gift like a friendship bracelet, a greetings card, *please don't include your contact details.*

Transport:

We suggest a donation of £2 per box and are very grateful for all donations towards shoebox transport. Please do not put any money inside or attached to boxes, if possible pay donations directly into our bank account: Royal Bank of Scotland; Sort Code 16 28 16, Account 10075885, and email office@internationalaidtrust.org.uk to let us know who the donation is from e.g church /group. Or alternatively please send a cheque payable to International Aid Trust.

Please email office@internationalaidtrust.org.uk
to arrange your shoebox drop off or collection.

Thank you very much for your support and taking part in our shoebox scheme!

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There has been a lot of exciting learning going on this week.....

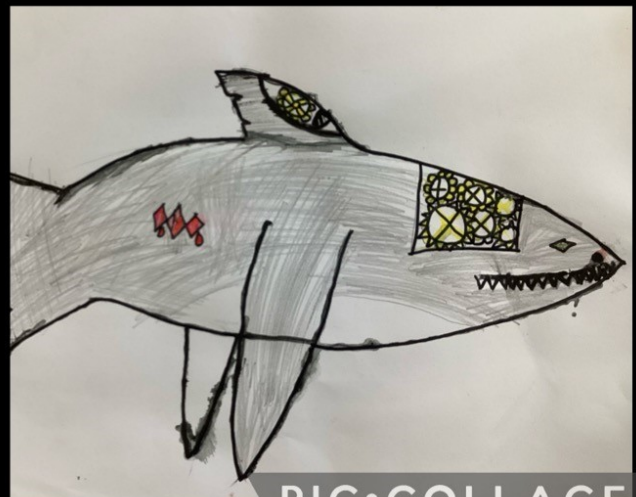
CLASS NEWS



Birch Class found some flotsam in Forest School. There were three old cameras washed up on the river bank.

Willow Class loved learning about the Great Fire of London in 1666 with Professor Tuesday from the Lancashire Heritage Team.



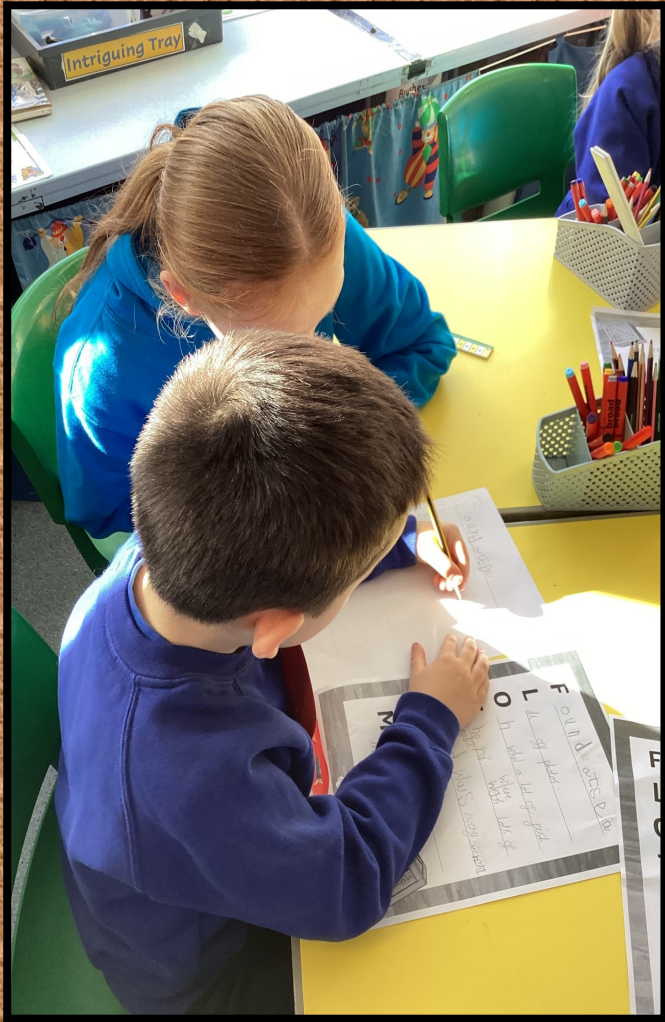


PIC•COLLAGE

Hawthorn Class really enjoyed the book Flotsam during Book Week. We did lots of different activities, including drawing our own mechanical fish!



Sycamore Class thoroughly enjoyed exploring the book Flotsam, creating artwork out of clay and working with children in Ash Class writing a poem.





Lest we forget



PIC•COLLAGE

Ash class have been learning about remembrance day and created these pastel poppy pictures as the rainbow shone down over us!



Acorn Class have been travelling over the table in PE this week!



Alder class enjoyed making clay sea creatures and shells during Flotsam book week.

