



The St. James' Journal Newsletter

3rd November 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

Wishing you a warm welcome back after the half term break. The children have been enjoying book week with everyone looking at the book *Flotsam* by David Wiesner. Children have produced some wonderful pieces of writing in response.

We look forward to seeing you all at the up coming parents meetings, make sure your time allocation has been booked.

Please take care and keep safe this weekend if you are attending bonfire and fire work events.

Parent Meetings - Monday 6th & 13th November

As you are aware, we are trialing a slightly different format for our parent meetings this term. Next Monday 6th Nov we will be starting at 2pm and finishing at 5:30pm. The following Monday the 13th we will be starting after school at 3:30 and finishing at 6pm.

On both meetings teachers will share pupil work during the discussion.

Appointments on Monday 6th

These will be in **junior** classrooms with two teachers to a classroom.

The teachers will be as follows:

Mrs Mercer and Mrs Tyson in Birch class

Mrs Gardiner and Mrs Butterworth in Hawthorn class

Mrs Earnshaw and Mrs Barnes in Sycamore class

Mrs Sharp and Mrs Filder in Rowan class

Mrs Blackburn and Miss White in the conference room

Do not worry if you do not know where these classrooms are. Our year 6 children will escort you.

If you have an appointment on Monday 6th between 2 and 3:20 pm, you will enter the main door of the **junior** building through the car park where you will be signed in by Mrs. Nurse. You will not need to turn up any earlier than 5 mins before your appointment. Elm classroom at the front of school to your left will be a space to wait for your appointment. Year 6 children will take you to your appointment. Teachers will conduct parent meetings in classrooms. Following your appointment, you will return to the front door and then proceed to the main entrance of the **infant** building where Mrs. Davies will organise for your children to be collected. Children can be collected immediately after your appointment or after school whichever is to your convenience.

These discussions are really important for the progress of children and I do hope that you find them informative and convenient.



Poppy Appeal



Poppies, snap bands, reflectors and zippers are now available to buy, please send a minimum donation of £1 with your child.

Paper poppies, a minimum donation of 20p each.

Please help support this worthy cause if you can.



Dates for the Diary



Mon 6 th Nov	Flu Immunisations
Mon 6 th Nov	Parents' Evening : 2-5.30pm
Mon 13th Nov	Parents' Evening : 3:30pm-6:30pm
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 Dec	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	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY (Fri 22nd Dec – Fri 5th Jan)
Tues 8 th Jan	Term starts
These dates may be subject to change if necessary	



Change of lunch menu:

From Monday the school kitchen will be serving lunches from the Autumn/Winter Menu. Copies of these have been distributed this week.

School meals cost £2.50 per day, £12.50 per week. Please make payments by bank transfer Nat West Bank Account No: 22748059 Sort Code: 01-02-14 and quote your child's name as reference.



STARS OF THE WEEK

Acorn

Bailey & Toby

Ash

Ellis & Lawrence

Birch

Louis & Elowyn

Chestnut

Olivia & Layla

Rowan

Nevaeh & Zara

Oak

Frank & Fred

Willow

Caspian & Lharra

Hawthorn

Amelia & Annie

Alder

Anya & Harry W

Sycamore

Ella & Alice



Pantomime

Are you able to assist walking the children up to the Grand (and back), when we go to the pantomime on Monday 27th November? If so, please leave your name at the Office.

You are welcome to stay and watch - or to just accompany us there and/or back. We will leave school approx. 9.20am and we are back in school for 12.00pm (leave Grand approx. 11.30am).

Nursery pupils/Primary school admissions

If your child is in their last year of pre-school/nursery you can now apply for their primary school place at: www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

It's quick and easy to do and you will receive email confirmation of your application.

You must apply even if you already have siblings in school. If you live in Lancashire you can include out of area preferences on your online application.

The closing date for primary applications for September 2024 is 23:59 on 15 January 2024.

Tours of school are being held on Monday mornings from 9:30am with Mr Leeming.

Please contact the school Office to make an appointment.

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

The class with the best attendance this week was: **BIRCH**





Fun with friends, learning new skills and experimenting whilst making creative artworks is the aim of Create Club. Your child will experience a fantastic range of inspiring activities, from clay modelling and 3-D construction to printmaking, collage and painting with a new theme each term.



When:

Monday 20 November – 18 December 3.30-4.30pm
The theme for Autumn Term 2023 is 'Inspired by Me'

Cost

All materials are included. The half-term cost is £30.00 (5 sessions)

How to book

[St James Booking Link](#)

My details:

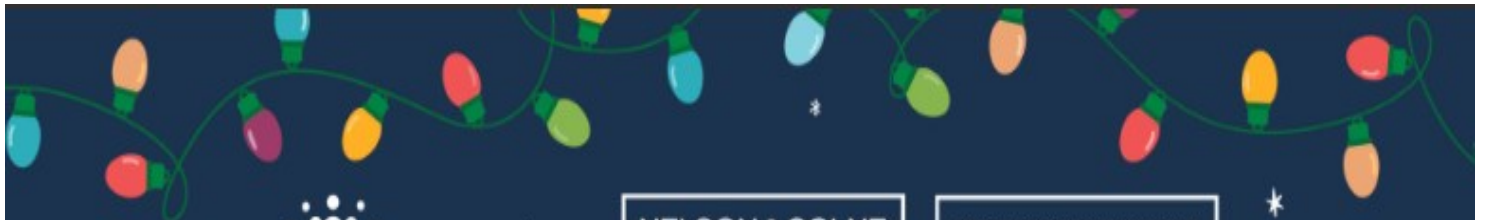
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I am a former primary school teacher and gallery/museum educator. The Creation Station is a national organisation, which has been running activities for all ages for over 20 years.

Further information on classes, including Family Fun and Holiday Create Clubs:
www.thecreationstation.co.uk Search BB7





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