



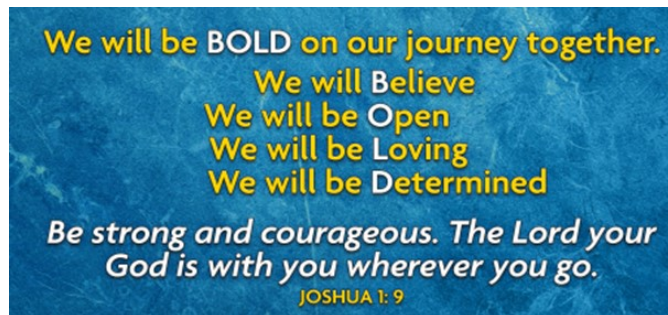
The St. James' Journal Newsletter

12th January 2024



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year. I wonder what your hopes, dreams and visions are for 2024? As you know our school vision is set out in our B-O-L-D statement.



You can see from the table below how this BOLD vision relates to all areas of school life.

Vision Acronym	B	O	L	D
Vision	Believe	Open	Love	Determined
Pupil Mindsets	Believe in yourself - You can do it!	Be <u>open</u> to new ideas/ways of doing things/	Love learning	Never give up Develop resilience
Spiritual Development	Understand the love of God	Be <u>open</u> to others / those of different faiths and no faith	Love others	Develop resilience HOPE
Curriculum	Broad & Balanced	<u>Opportunities</u> for all (active)	Learning exciting and engaging	Depth we remember what we learn

Let's keep journeying together in 2024 to continue to make this exciting vision a reality for our precious pupils.....



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:



ASH

Staffing News: We are sad to report that Mrs. Pendlebury will be leaving us at the end of next week. She will be working at St. Augustine's RC High School. Mrs. Pendlebury has worked at St. James' for over 20 years; she helped to set up "Jimmy's" and has supported hundreds of children across the school. We will miss her very much. We are recruiting for a replacement TA for Hawthorn and will inform you when this has taken place.

Collective Worship

"Behold I am doing a NEW THING" Isaiah 43v19

On Monday we looked at the idiom "Turning over a new leaf". We talked about making a fresh start and making changes in our lives for the better. One good idea for a new year target was reading more. This is one of the best ways that we as parents can support our children.



Golden Ticket

Pupils who go **over and above** to demonstrate our school values will be awarded a 'Golden Ticket' and will be placed in the draw for prizes at the end of term. The following children have been awarded a Golden Ticket:

Hugo (Birch class)



STARS OF THE WEEK



Acorn

Toby & Eliza

Ash

Ellis & James

Birch

Anita & Arthur

Chestnut

Harry & William

Rowan

Abuzer & Oscar

Oak

Matthew & Jacob

Willow

Raven & Angel

Hawthorn

Muhammad & Jayden

Alder

Martyna & Ruby

Sycamore

Jackson & Haydn

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Friends of St. James, our wonderful PTFA are holding their first meeting of the term on Tuesday 16th January. at 6:05pm in the INFANT HALL. Anybody is welcome to come along and volunteer their time to help raise additional funds for our children. We hope to see you there!