



The St. James' Journal Newsletter

23rd February 2024



MR LEEMING'S MESSAGE

Dear Parent/Carers,

We are straight back into another busy and productive week at school. Our older pupils have enjoyed trips to Clitheroe Castle for myths and legend workshops, as part of English. I have enjoyed teaching Spanish to Sycamore class; it is lovely when I see children around school and they speak to me in Spanish or another language.

It was great to see a good number of children in their Guiding or Scouting uniforms yesterday; celebrating along with their brothers and sisters around the world.

Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you at 8:40am on Monday morning.

Parent Governor Vacancy



PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

Volunteering is good for your mental health and well being

Volunteering expands your social circle

Volunteering can support your career progression goals

Nomination forms were emailed out before Feb half term & must be returned to the school office by 12.00 noon on 4th March 2024

Collective Worship

"Dear friend, if bad companions tempt you, don't go along with them."

Proverbs 1:10

Our Big question this week has been, **"How do our stories fit into God's, "Big Picture?"**

We have been looking at stories from Daniel and on Monday we looked at how sometimes we have to say "No"! This might be when those around us are encouraging us to do the wrong thing or when someone is saying unkind things behind someone's back.

Don't we all need courage to say "no" sometimes!



Update us

Have you moved or changed your contact details recently?

Please inform the office asap.



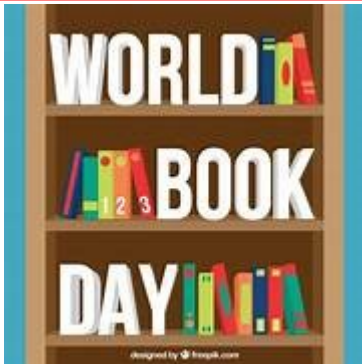
Attendance

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

The class with the best attendance this week was:



HAWTHORN



WORLD BOOK DAY : Thursday 7th March

WORLD BOOK DAY is a wonderful occasion to celebrate the joy of reading and to explore new books.

On WORLD BOOK DAY (Thursday 7th March) we are going to focus on the CHARACTERS in stories - and we are inviting children to come to school EITHER dressed as a character from a story that they know OR to simply bring an item linked to the character, if they prefer not to dress up and wear their school uniform.

During the day we would like the children to be able to tell us something about their character and what they know about them from reading the story.

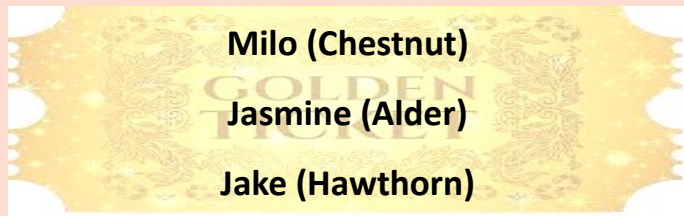
Each child in school will be given a WORLD BOOK DAY BOOK VOUCHER today. They are valid until the end of March. Do look out for the special £1 World Book Day books that are available in shops. These special vouchers can also be used towards the purchase of a book at our School Book Fair, which will be in school from 20th - 26th March.



If your child has **sickness and/or diarrhoea**, they should not be in school for **48hours** after the last bout of illness. Please check your child understands why they need to **wash hands** frequently and thoroughly.

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:



Acorn

Anna & Harry C

Ash

Izzy & Oscar S

Birch

Esemae & Jerald

Chestnut

William & Sanuli

Rowan

The whole class!

Oak

Lilly & Isabelle

Willow

Lena & Angel

Hawthorn

Hector & Axel

Alder

The whole class!

Sycamore

Harriet & Luke



DIARY DATES



Tues 5 th March	“Lets Go Sing!” Concert
Thurs 7 th March	World Book Day
Frid 8 th March	Performance by Theatre Group
Thurs 21 st March	Parents Evening (3:30pm –6pm)
Week beginning Mon 25 th March	STEM week in school
Tues 26 th March	Parents Evening (3:30pm –6pm)
Thurs 28 th March Easter Service at Church	Easter Service at Church (9.30am)
HALF TERM Fri 29th March—Fri 12th April	
Mon 15 th April	School re-opens
Fri 19 th April	Non uniform for Chocolate Bingo contribution
Fri 26 th April	Chocolate Bingo
Mon 6th May—Bank Holiday	
Mon 13 th —16 th May	KS2 SATS week
Wed 15 th May	Parents New Starters Meeting. Time TBC
Mon 6 th May	Yr 6 Bikeability week
HALF TERM Fri 27th May—Fri 31st May	
Mon 3 rd June	INSET Day

These dates are subject to change if required. Please check regularly for changes.

HOLIDAY DATES AND INSET SCHOOL YEAR 2024/2025-INCLUDING SPRING & SUMMER TERMS 2024

SPRING TERM 2024

Starts: Monday 8th January 2024

Half term: Monday 12th February – Friday 16th February 2024

Ends: Friday 29th March 2024

SUMMER TERM 2024

Starts: Monday 15th April 2024

May Day: Monday 6th May 2024

Half term: Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2024

INSET Day Monday 3rd June

INSET Day Monday 22nd July 2024

Ends: Tuesday 23rd July 2024

AUTUMN TERM 2024

INSET Day Monday 2nd September

INSET Day Tuesday 3rd September

Starts for pupils: Wednesday 4th September

Half term: Monday 21st October - Friday 25th October 2024

INSET Day Monday 28th October

INSET Day Tuesday 29th October

Starts for pupils: Wednesday 30th October

Ends: Friday 20th December 2024

SPRING TERM 2025

Starts: Monday 6th January 2025

Half term: Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025

Ends: Friday 4th April 2025

SUMMER TERM 2025

Starts: Tuesday 22nd April 2025

May Day: Monday 5th May 2025

INSET Day Friday 23rd May

Half term: Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025

Ends: Tuesday 22nd July 2025

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Christian Compassion For A Hurting World



Certificate of Appreciation

Awarded to: Clitheroe St James CE Primary School

Thank you for your kind donation of Shoebox Gifts

*Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine,
you did it for me.*

Matthew 25:40

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bernard Cocker', is written over a horizontal line.

Charity Registration Number: 1086597

Rev. Bernard Cocker
CEO & Founder, January 2024