



## The St. James' Journal Newsletter

2nd February 2024



### MR LEEMING'S MESSAGE

Enrichment activities are activities beyond the scope of the National Curriculum, which are offered to children to enrich their time with us. We want our pupils to experience a rich range of these opportunities. Over the previous few weeks many of our pupils have enjoyed a number of experiences including Mad Science after school club, choir, a range of sporting after school clubs, athletics and football competitions, Virtual Reality sessions, glow in the dark dodgeball, dancing and STEM (see back page). Each one of these represents a great deal of work behind the scenes in terms of organization. We are privileged to have a really committed staff here at St. James!

**Safer  
Internet  
Day 2024** | **Tuesday  
6 February**

Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre

[saferinternetday.org.uk](https://saferinternetday.org.uk)

**This Tuesday, 6th February is Safer Internet Day with the theme being - Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.**

The children will be thinking about their behaviour online and how they can keep themselves and others safe in our ever growing and changing online world. Please take an opportunity this week to talk to your child and check the online safety procedures you have at home. Click the link for more advice -

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>

### Collective Worship

**God is kind and merciful. He does not become angry quickly but is full of love. Psalms 145: 8 - 9**

Our Big question this week is "What is God like?" We have looked at stories of Jesus to explore this. The verse above reminds us about what the bible tells us about God.



#### 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**

## Free family activities in February Half Term

During the February Half Term Holiday, the churches in Clitheroe are putting on free activities for families with children under 11. Each morning's activity will be different, hosted by a different church, but will include a free lunch for all - as well as the usual fun, games and activities from Love Clitheroe!

Booking is essential and places are limited. If you are unable to attend, please do cancel your ticket as this will allow others to attend. All events start at 10.30am.

For more details and booking, please visit:  
[www.loveclitheroe.com/holidayfun](http://www.loveclitheroe.com/holidayfun)



**LOVE CLITHEROE**



Jo will be running another **Create Art Club** on Mondays after school, next half term, for children in Years 1-6. The theme is 'Art-tastic Nature' so there will be some science mixed in with the craft activities.

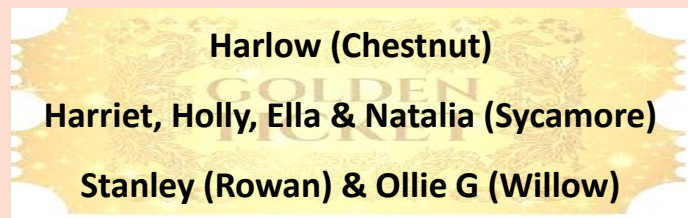
There will be 6 sessions, from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February to Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Please collect children from the main school entrance at 4.30pm.

If you would like your child(ren) to take part, please complete the on line

booking form [portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/5823](http://portal.thecreationstation.franscape.io/class-overview/5823)

## 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

Franklin & Hallie

### Ash

Roni P & Mason L

### Birch

Cora & Esemæe

### Chestnut

Stanley L & Soli

### Rowan

Oliver O & Mollie C

### Oak

Layla & Erin

### Willow

Joshua D & Darcie T

### Hawthorn

Logan A & Jake B

### Alder

Imogen S & Josh

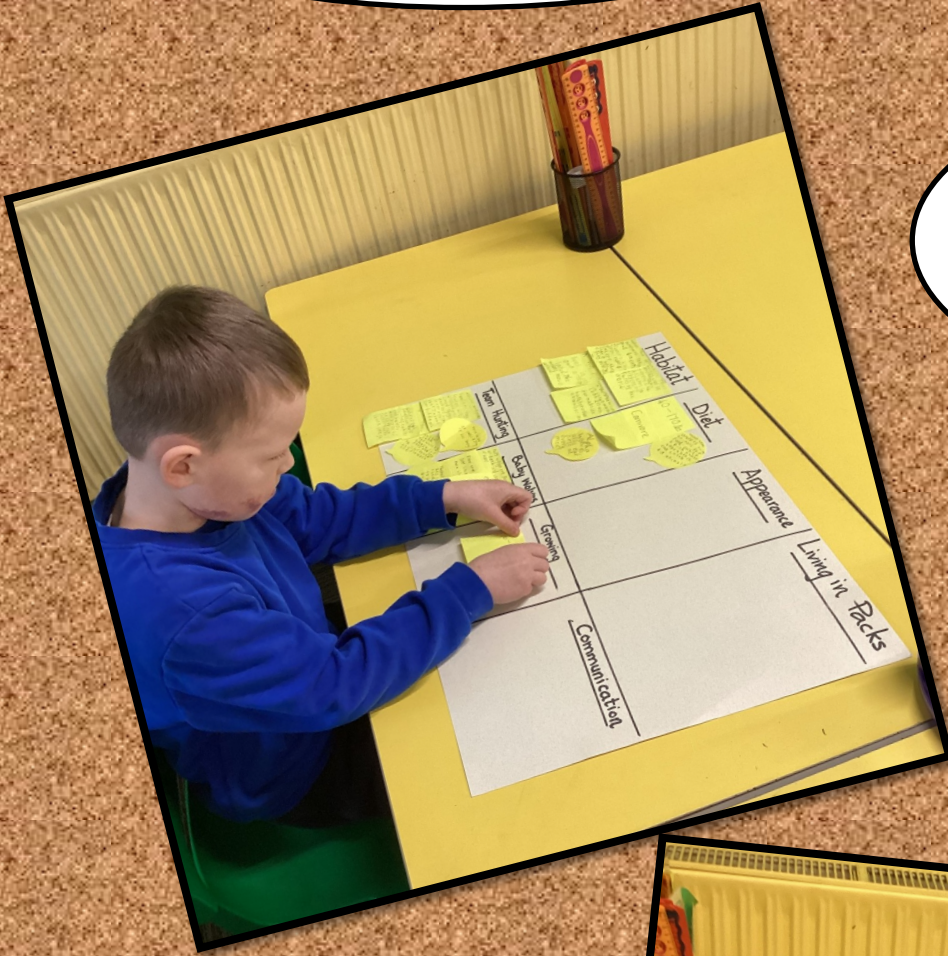
### Sycamore

Lucy & Minnie

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

# CLASS NEWS

Willow Class have been learning about grey wolves.



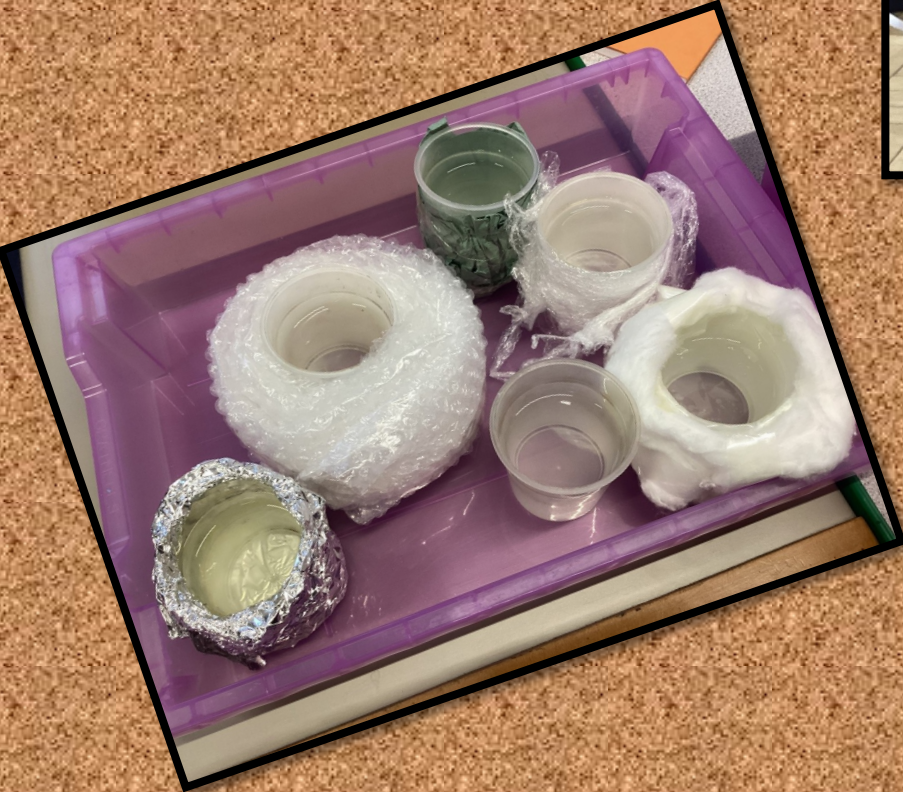


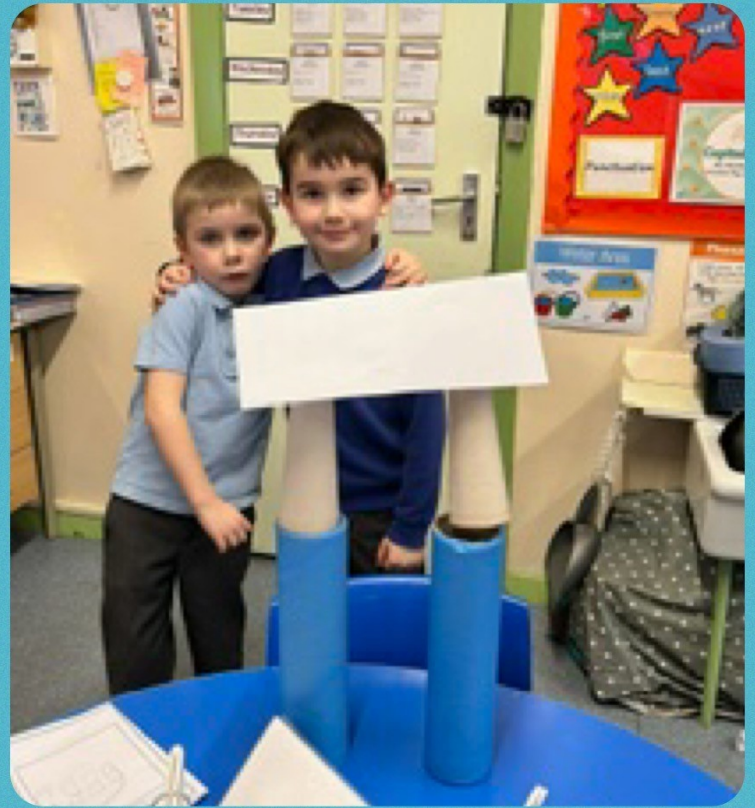
**Alder Class are thoroughly enjoying their Forest School sessions this half term. Thank you Mrs Barnes!**

**Birch Class investigated how much friction different surfaces have.**



**Rowan Class are learning about materials and their properties. They enjoyed investigating which material is the best thermal insulator by trying to keep a hot drink hot.**

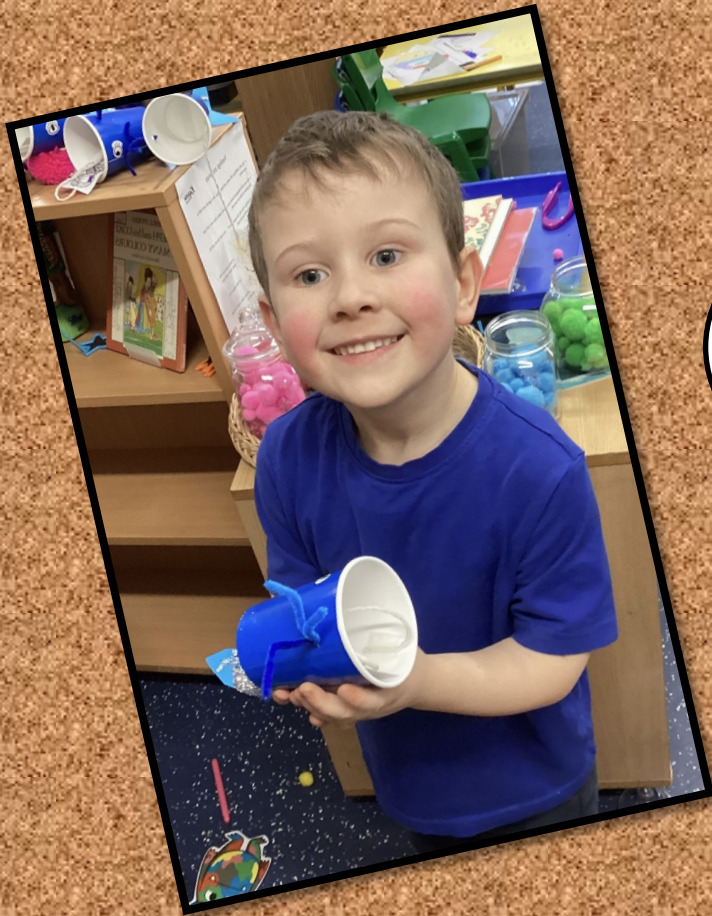




In their DT lessons, Ash Class have been looking at the structure of bridges, designing, investigating and creating their own.



**Chestnut Class Active Learning in English.**



Children in Acorn enjoyed making a whale with Jonah inside following their work in RE.



Oak Class have been talking about what it is like to live in a hot country.



Sycamore Class took part in a STEM challenge organised by Johnson Matthey which was to build the tallest tower using wooden dowels and elastic bands. The children worked in small groups to design their tower, create a poster promoting it and budget to buy the resources. A fantastic enrichment opportunity. The winning team are now awaiting news whether they are in the



Disco tickets need to be purchased in advance by Monday, through the following link <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamesfriends>

# Friends of St James' School



# DISCO

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February

JUNIOR HALL

KS1 – 6pm-6.45pm - £3.50

KS2 – 7pm-8pm - £3

KS1 price includes cake, sweets and unlimited drinks

KS2 price includes unlimited drinks. Option to buy snacks and hotdogs on the day

Drop off and pick up at the main door on the staff car park.

**No phones permitted at the disco.**

Pay in advance via [pta-events](https://www.pta-events.co.uk).



SCAN QR

or go to:

<http://www.pta-events.co.uk/stjamesfriends>

Parentkind  
Member Association