



The St. James' Journal Newsletter

15th March 2024



MR LEEMING'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Carers,

Its been another extremely busy week in school with the CO crew (Carbon Monoxide) meeting with KS2 children, STEM finals, science experiments at Ribblesdale and a dodge ball event at Oakhill.

We have our Church inspection on Monday (see letter from the Inspector on page 3). The inspector will be looking at how we are living out our vision for the school. As I have previously shared, we are passionate about providing an environment which enables our pupils to flourish and our vision sets out how this unfolds (see the table below). We will share the results of the inspection with you once the report is published.

Our first Parents Evenings is on Thursday, further information can be seen on page 2.

Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing the children dressed smartly in their full uniform on Monday morning at 8:40am.



St James' is a Church School where everyone is valued and upheld by Love, Hope, and Respect.

Our school forms a crucial part of our journey through life.

We will be **BOLD** on our journey together.

We will Believe
We will be Open
We will be Loving
We will be Determined

Be strong and courageous. The Lord your God is with you wherever you go.
JOSHUA 1:9

Vision Acronym	B	O	L	D
Vision	Believe	Open	Love	Determined
Education	Believe in yourself Growth Mindset	Be open to new ideas/ways of doing things/others	Love learning	Never give up Develop resilience
Spiritually	Understand the love of God	Open to others / those of different faiths and no faith	Love others	Develop resilience HOPE
Behaviourally	We will be	Safe	Respectful	Good learner
Pedagogically	(Growth) <u>Mindset</u>	Openness	<u>Mastery</u> Learn Remember Use	<u>Metacognitive</u> Developing independence
Curriculum	Broad & Balanced	Opportunity for all / Outdoors (active)	Learning exciting and engaging	Depth

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

Collective Worship

"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?" Matthew 7 v3

This week we were looking again at what Jesus' words mean. We learned that it is not good to judge others.



PARENTS EVENINGS - THURSDAY 21st MARCH & TUESDAY 26th MARCH



Invites to our school parent's evening have now been sent out. The parent's evening will take place in the KS2 hall. Please arrive 10 minutes before your appointment time to sign in and to ensure you have time to look through your child's work. KS2 pupils work will be in their classroom.

Pupils in EYFS and KS1 will be able to view their child's work in the following classrooms :

Acorn & Oak - the Music Room

Ash – Birch Classroom

Willow – Hawthorn Classroom

The Scholastic Book Fair will also be available on both evenings and will be situated in the library/pre-school room. As part of the Word Book Day celebrations Scholastic will reduce any books purchased over the price of £2.99 by £1.00. There is no need to bring your book day token.

Golden Ticket

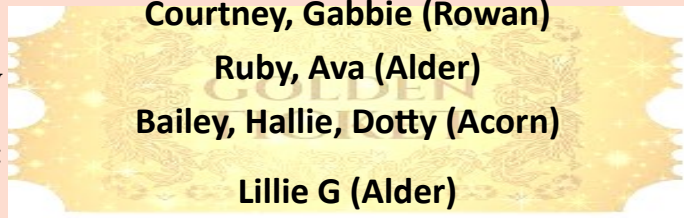
Pupils who go **over and above** to demonstrate our school values will be awarded a 'Golden Ticket' and will be placed in the draw for prizes at the end of term. The following children have been awarded a Golden Ticket:

Courtney, Gabbie (Rowan)

Ruby, Ava (Alder)

Bailey, Hallie, Dotty (Acorn)

Lillie G (Alder)



Acorn

Pawel & Jack

Ash

Luke T & Arielle M

Birch

Cali & Kayden

Chestnut

The whole class

Rowan

Frank G & Gabbie J

Oak

Mikel & Joseph

Willow

Raven & Caspian

Hawthorn

Jacob & Ernie

Alder

Theo & Harry K

Sycamore

Ella & Alexander

11/03/24

National SIAMS Team

**Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) Inspection of
Clitheroe St James' Church of England Primary School**

Letter from Steven Holmes, SIAMS Inspector

Dear Parents and Carers,

All Church of England and Methodist schools are inspected approximately every five years by a SIAMS inspector from the Church of England, although there has been some delay to our inspections due to Covid.

I will be inspecting your child's school on 18/03/24.

A SIAMS inspection is an opportunity to highlight the impact that the school's Christian vision has on the flourishing of the whole school community.

As part of my evidence-gathering I will speak with a range of people from within the school community. It is likely that I will speak with some of you on the inspection day.

Following the inspection, I will write a report. Once the report has been finalised it will be published, and the inspection findings will be shared with you. This will be approximately three weeks after the inspection. The report will celebrate all that is special about the school and will identify next steps that are helpful in the school's ongoing development as a Church school.

The report will be published on the school's website, and I would encourage you to read it.

I look forward to spending time with the school community on 18th March 2024.

Kind regards,

Steven Holmes
SIAMS Inspector

DIARY DATES

Wed 20 th —Tues 26 th March	Book Fair
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), Parents & Carers welcome
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.



Jimmy's Out of School Club

Due to staff training

Jimmy's will be closed after school only on

Monday 29th April & Monday 17th June 2024

Alternative childcare needs to be in place. Thank you

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

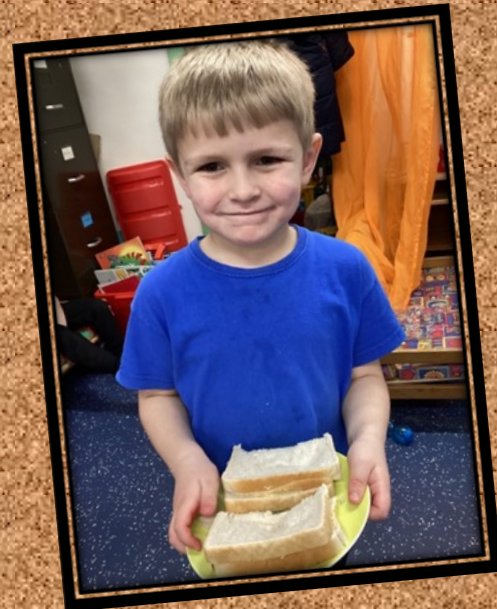
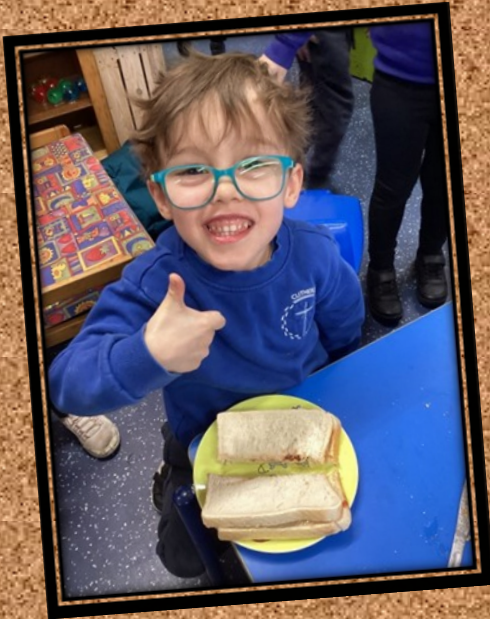
CLASS NEWS

Hawthorn Class really enjoyed World Book Day. We talked about the books we had brought with us and the characters we had dressed up as.



Birch Class enjoyed reading their favourite books on World Book Day!

Acorn Class were very pleased with their jam sandwiches this week!





Alder Class have had a busy week. On Wednesday the children took part in a CO workshop, where we learnt all about CO and how to keep safe. On Thursday, we went to Ribblesdale High for a science experiment with bunsen burners. A great week for extra curricular activities!

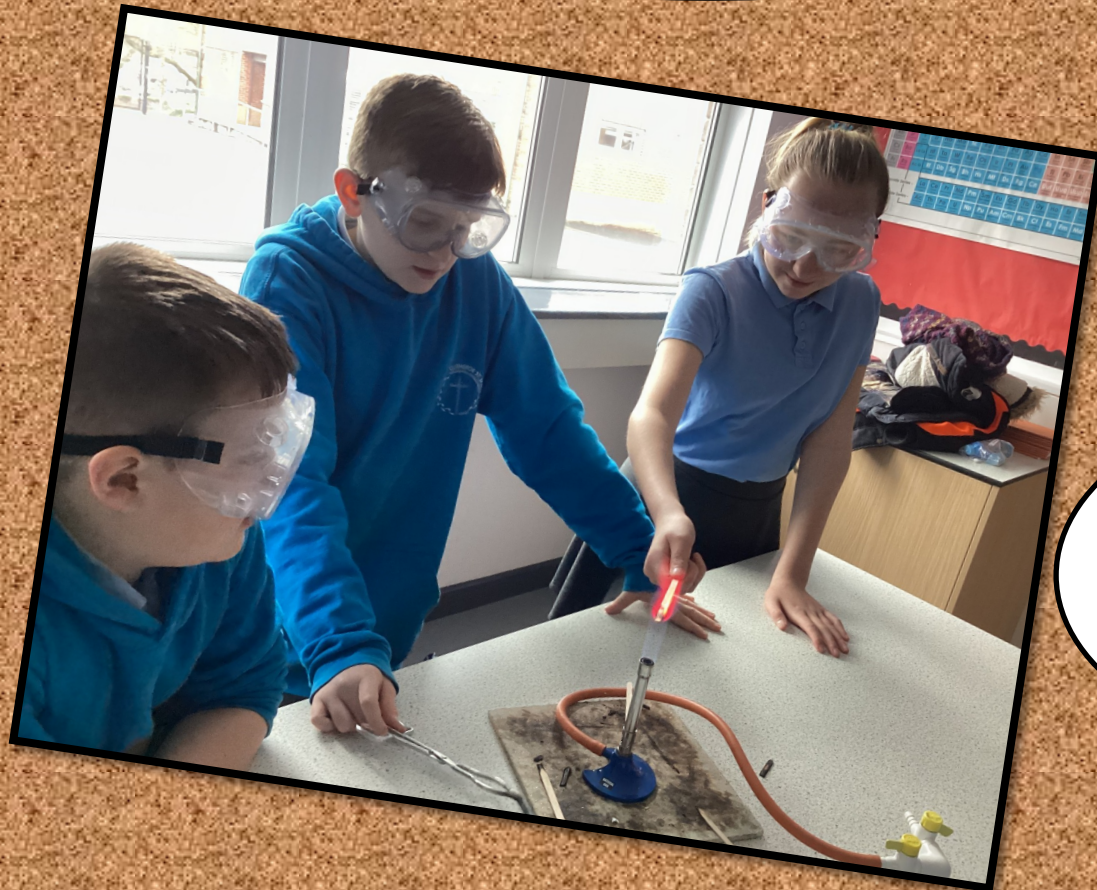


Oak Class have been talking about new life in their RE lessons. They got creative, making their own flying butterflies and acting out the lifecycle of a frog.



Sycamore Class: This week, six children from Sycamore Class went to The Grand to represent Clitheroe St James' at the STEM final organised by Johnson Matthey.

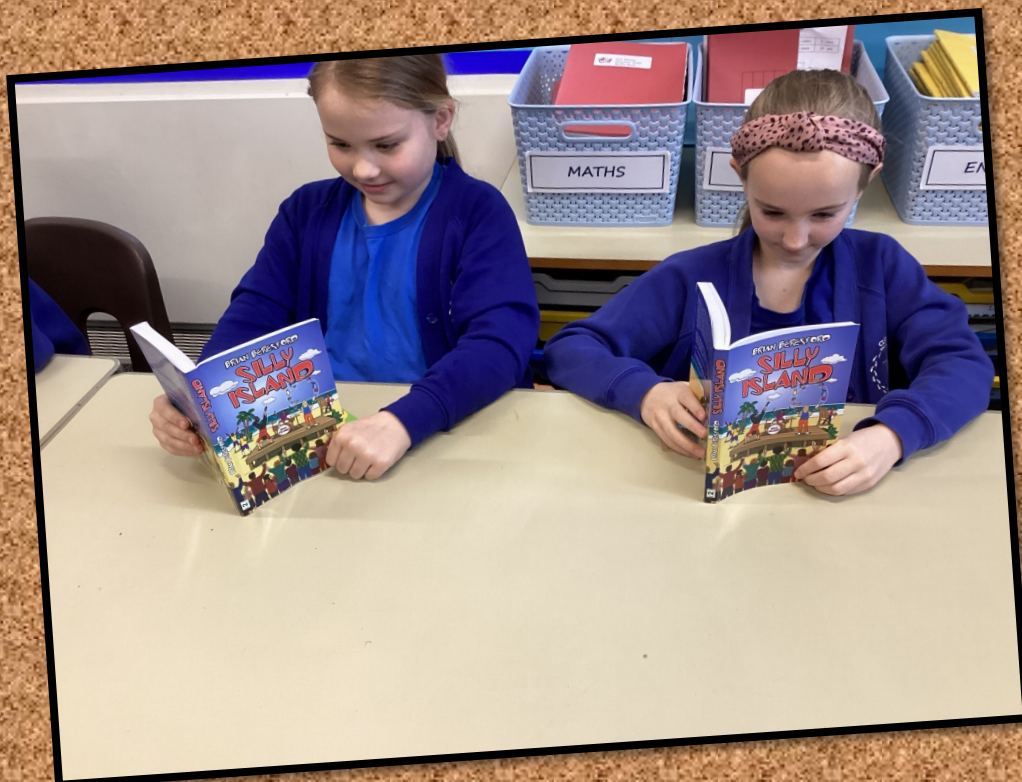
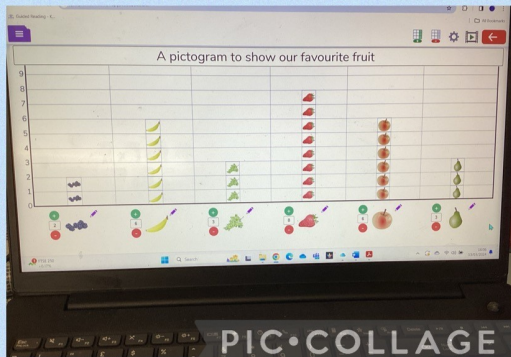
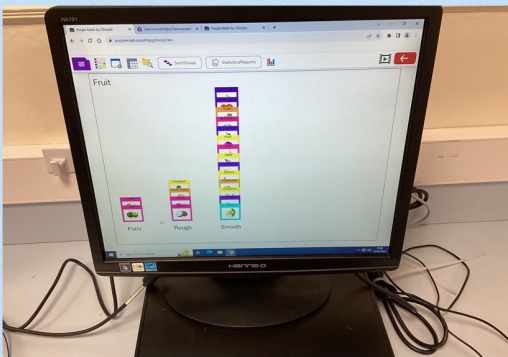
Earlier in the term, they won the school heats by building the tallest radio tower. They had to be **BOLD** : believe in themselves, be open to new ideas, apply what they have learned and be determined with some challenging activities.



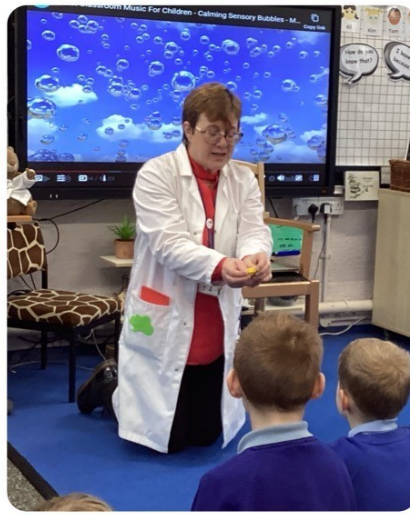
Rowan Class really enjoyed their Science Week experiments at Ribblesdale High School this week.



In their computing lessons Ash Class have been using pictograms and databases to represent and sort information.



Chestnut Class enjoying their reading!



Some children in Willow Class have attended a Science Morning at Pendle School, along with children from other local schools. They enjoyed watching some fun experiments and had a go at some scientific investigations of their own. The final challenge was to make their own glue and test it's strength.