



The St. James' Journal Newsletter

5 July 2024



MR LEEMING'S MESSAGE

It has been another busy and productive week in school. One of the highlights was our wonderful ukulele concert where our Chestnut class had the opportunity to show off their newly acquired skills. It was fantastic to see how much the children were enjoying playing their instruments! We are fortunate to have Mr. Moss who teaches ukulele throughout the year.

It is such a privilege to be part of a school where parents are so actively involved. Last Friday we had a very successful summer fayre which was well supported and raised over £600 for Friends. These resources help to provide enrichment opportunities for our pupils. Thank you to our diligent parents that serve school so selflessly on the Friends PTA.

Enjoy the weekend and we look forward to seeing you on Monday morning at 8:40am for the last two week of school before the summer!



Thank you to our fantastic volunteers who helped out on the infants school trip on Wednesday.

Collective Worship

"And who knows but that you have come to your royal position for such a time as this?" (Esther 4:14)

This week we looked at the Bible story of Esther. She was such a brave woman and an example to us all of courage. We will all be in positions where we are called to stand up and be brave. This is a quality which we want in our children and why BOLD is part of our vision for school.



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 (last week) & BIRCH (this week)

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:

Oscar H (Sycamore)

STARS OF THE WEEK - Last week!

Acorn

Marley & Louis

Ash

Eddie G & Charlie H

Birch

Felix & Jerald

Chestnut

All the class

Rowan

Sophia R & Ellie S

Oak

Rashid & Zain A

Willow

Otis & Lharra

Hawthorn

Vivan & Joey

Alder

Jasmine & Anya

Sycamore

Alice & Ella

STARS OF THE WEEK - This week!

Acorn

Stanley B & Anna W

Ash

Ellis & Izzy

Birch

Eliza & Arthur

Chestnut

Joshua & Emmie

Rowan

Yura S & Courtney G

Oak

Poppy & Ruby

Willow

All the class

Hawthorn

Abu B & Joshua G

Alder

Imogen M & Scarlett

Sycamore

Harley & Ben

Staffing News

We are sad to report that we will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Mercer who will be leaving us at the end of the summer. She has made a huge contribution to St. James' over the last 27 years and we wish her all the best. Mrs. Gardiner will replace her as the Birch class teacher next year.

We have appointed two class teachers that will be joining us in September. Mr. Hoult will be teaching Willow class and Miss. Woodford will be teaching in Hawthorn class. They will be visiting us in the next two weeks and meeting their new classes.

We will also be welcoming Mrs. Hinds as our associate deputy head in September.

Classes 2024-5

On Friday evening next week you will receive notification of the classes that your children will be in next year. The table below shows the allocation of teachers to classes. I will be reporting the allocations of Teaching Assistants next week. We are fortunate to have such an experienced and caring team.

Class	Class Teacher
Acorn	Mrs. Tyson
Oak	Mrs. Pinder
Ash	Mrs. Barnes
Willow	Mr. Hoult
Birch	Mrs. Gardiner
Hawthorn	Miss. Woodford
Chestnut	Mrs. Blackburn / Mrs. Longhi
Alder	Miss. White
Rowan	Mrs. Sharp / Mrs. Longi
Sycamore	Mrs. Earnshaw



Hyndburn & Ribble Valley Girls Football Tournament-



Amazing achievement for our girl's football team finishing in 1st place and at the top of the league!
They played 6 games winning 4 and drawing 2!





Dates for the Diary



Mon 8 July	New Reception starters taster sessions
Weds 10 July	UKS2 (years 5 & 6) Production 2pm, at church
Thurs 11 July	UKS2 (years 5 & 6) Production 5:30pm, at church
Mon 15 July	Transition to new classes
Tues 16 July	Toasty Tuesday & Year 6 Party, 6pm
Thurs 18 July	Leavers service at church 2pm—3pm
Friday 19th July	Last day of school
Mon 22 July	INSET DAY
Tues 23 July	SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Mon 2 September	INSET DAY
Tues 3 September	INSET DAY
Wedns 4 September	School Starts



Singing Bell....

Mr Longhi has recently very kindly installed our new outdoor instrument for the Eco Zone. It is a singing bell tree, which was purchased with money donated by Friends of St James'.

Thank you Mr & Mrs Longhi and Friends for making this happen.

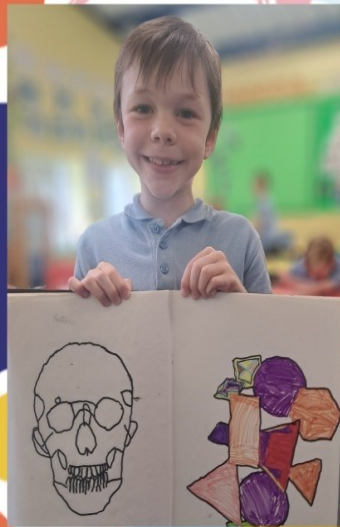
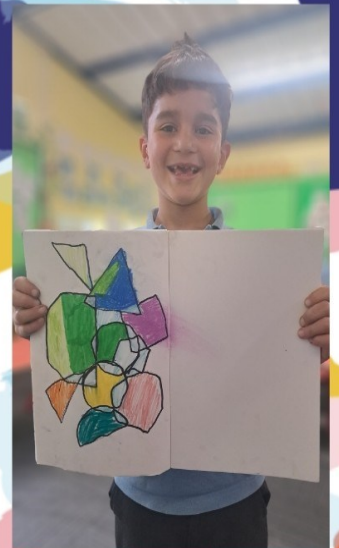
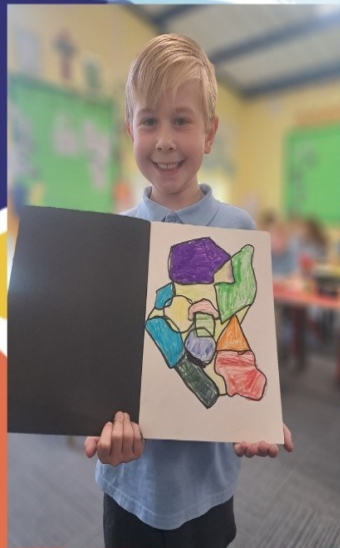
There has been a lot of exciting learning going on this week.....

CLASS NEWS



PIC•COLLAGE

Oak class had a treat at forest Friday they saw some ducklings and baby rabbits at the nursery.

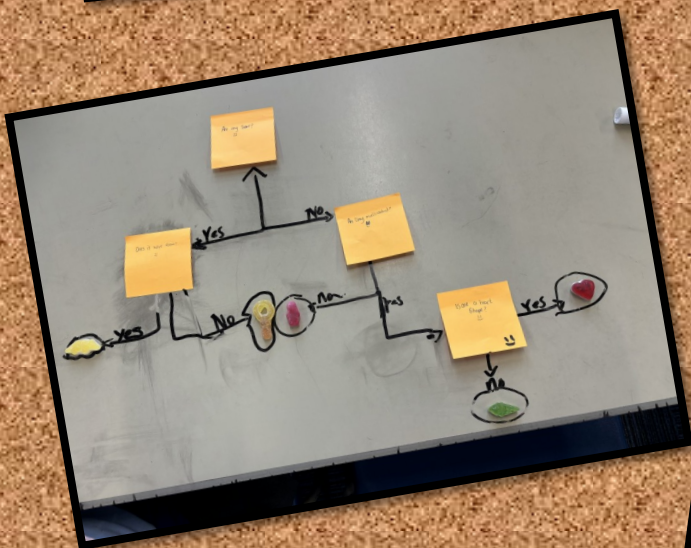


Willow Class enjoyed learning about and creating geometric abstract art this week.

PIC•COLLAGE



Chestnut Class learning about water safety.



Alder Class enjoyed classifying sweets in science.

Alder Class enjoyed a yoga session this week.





**Hawthorn Class
really enjoyed
taking part in sports
day. What a
fantastic effort from
everyone!**



**Acorn Class enjoyed bug
hunting last week! !**





The Year 6 children were all invited to a Transition Prayer Space event organised by The Grand at Turret House. This provided our children with a wonderful opportunity to reflect on their time at primary school and memories they had accrued plus time to reflect on their emotions with regards moving to high school.



Rowan Class all enjoyed sports day last week!!





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Birch Class had lots of fun competing in their Sports Day races!



Ash Class really enjoyed their visit from the RNLI, learning about the importance of water safety.