



ST JAMES
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Friday, 28th August 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your family have enjoyed a restful and enjoyable summer break. As the holidays draw to a close, we are very much looking forward to welcoming the children back to school for the start of the new academic year on **Thursday, 3rd September**.

A special welcome goes to our new families joining us for the first time. Starting a new school is a big step, and we are excited to get to know you and your children as they begin their journey with us.

Staff have been working hard over the summer to prepare classrooms and plan engaging lessons, activities and events to ensure that the year ahead is full of exciting opportunities for every child. Our vision of *"Through Him, all things are possible"* continues to guide everything we do, helping us to create a caring and ambitious environment where children can flourish.

A few reminders for the start of term:

- Please ensure that children arrive on time each morning so they can settle quickly and make the most of their learning.
- School uniform should be worn with pride; thank you for helping us maintain high standards.
- The first newsletter of the year will be sent home during the first week to share key dates and upcoming events.
- **Thursday 3rd September – Bouncy Castle Day.** Pupils must have their PE kits in school; otherwise, they will not be able to enjoy the bouncy castle with their class.
- **Meet the Teacher sessions (Classes 3 – 11)** – These are great opportunities to meet your child's teacher, see their classroom, and find out important information to help your child with their learning. These will commence in the week beginning 7th September. We will send out specific timings as soon as possible.
- **Little Saints & Nursery will share their own information on Tapestry.**

Children will need to line up at the following doors in the morning where teachers will meet them:

- Class 1 & 2 – Reception doors
- Class 3 & Rainbow Room – Door 4
- Class 5 – Door 6
- Class 6 & 7 – Door 3
- Class 8 & 9 – KS2 Playground
- Class 10 & 11 – Outside the cabins



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School finishes at 3:15 pm. Children will be dismissed from:

- Class 1 & 2 – Reception doors
- Class 3 – Door 4
- Class 4 – Door 5
- Class 5 – Door 6
- Class 6 & 7 – Door 3
- Class 8-11 – KS2 Playground

We are looking forward to another fantastic year working together in partnership with you. Thank you in advance for your continued support – it makes such a difference to the children's experience of school life. Enjoy the final few days of the summer break. We cannot wait to see the children on **Wednesday, 3rd September at 8:40 am.**

Yours sincerely,

Mr C Booth
Headteacher



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