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Our 'Calendar' is updated on a
regular basis with important
school dates.

Welcome Back

A huge welcome back this week to all our wonderful pupils who make our St James family the fantastic place it is. The children have been incredible this week! They have adapted to all of our new routines, have seemed really settled and as per usual have been exceptionally well behaved. Keep up the good work children!



Parents You are Amazing - Thank You!

We can not thank you enough for the support that you have shown us this week with all of our new routines and safety measures. You have all adapted to our new way of working exceptionally well and this really helps us to settle the children in and reduce risks for all of us. Thank you!! To make our safety measures even better we need you to help us with the following:

Please continue to maintain 2m social distancing on the school paths, the school playground and outside when queueing to come in. Thank you for forming orderly queues and waiting outside of school, this is much appreciated and must continue.

Please wear a face covering when dropping off and collecting your child, except for those who are exempt.

Please continue to stick to the one way system around school.

In a morning, any children who are now confident and able to, leave them at the school gate to walk in by themselves.

We need to minimise contact between adults so therefore we need to reduce the number of adults on site. If possible, please can only 1 adult come onto school premises when dropping off and collecting. It will also help if you arrive as close to drop off or collection as possible to avoid adults having to queue outside for longer periods than necessary.

A reminder that children do not need their own hand sanitiser as school have plenty in the classrooms and in corridors.

Just to remind you that these measures are not put in place to inconvenience you or frustrate you; they are there to keep you, your child and our staff safe. This is not our usual practice but so far it seems to be working! We really are trying our very best under difficult circumstances and your support, patience and flexibility is greatly received by us.

Thank you so much!

Class	Entry time	Collection time
Class 11	8:30-8:45am	2:50-3:05pm
Class 10	8:30-8:45am	2:50-3:05pm
Class 9	8:30-8:45am	2:50-3:05pm
Class 8	8:45-9:00am	3:05-3:20pm
Class 7	8:45-9:00am	3:05-3:20pm
Class 6	8:45-9:00am	3:05-3:20pm
Class 5	9:00-9:15am	3:20-3:35pm
Class 4	9:00-9:15am	3:20-3:35pm
Class 3	9:00-9:15am	3:20-3:35pm
Classes 1 & 2	8:45am	3:15pm

PE Days

Reception—After Christmas	Class 7—Wednesday
Class 3—Thursday	Class 8—Friday
Class 4—Monday	Class 9—Monday
Class 5—Thursday	Class 10—Monday
Class 6—Friday	Class 11—Wednesday

A reminder that children come to school on their PE day wearing their kit (white PE t-shirt and navy shorts) with school jumper/cardigan over the top. If it is cold weather children can wear black, grey, navy joggers or leggings. We are allowing children to wear trainers instead of pumps (if you choose) as they will be travelling to and from school in their kit and playing out at break and lunch in it too—pumps are not always waterproof!

Birthdays

A few parents have asked us about non-uniform and sweets for birthdays. Children are still allowed to wear non-uniform for their birthdays. Some updated guidance from our Trust yesterday says that sweets or cakes are not to be brought into school. We apologise for any frustrations this might cause, but we know you will understand and support our decision. Thank you.

School Bags

A reminder that we can't have backpacks in school and that we are asking children to come in with satchel type book bags. Thank you so much to the vast majority who have already done this—you are allowed ones with school logo or ones without. Children only need to bring into school a book bag, their school reading book and reading record and a named water bottle. Healthy snacks can be sent in (if you do not wish to purchase snack from school) as they will be kept in your child's bag and only your child will be able to handle it after washing their hands—a reminder that all infant children are given fruit at break times as part of the national fruit scheme.

Reminders

Money into school: Any money sent into school for dinners, snacks, trips, breakfast club, nursery fees etc. should be sent in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and what the money is for and handed in to your child's class teacher. Can we remind you that dinner money is £9.00 a week to be paid on a Monday. Snacks are £1.65 a week to be paid on a Friday for the following week and breakfast club is £5.00 a week to be paid on a Friday for the following week.

Parking outside school: We would like to remind you that parking/stopping is NOT allowed on the zig-zag lines outside school. Please help us to ensure that our children are able to get to school and leave safely. Can we also ask that you are considerate of our neighbours when parking.



Our Christian value this half term is:
Respect

Bible quote of the week:

Treat others as you wish to be treated yourself.

Matthew 7:12

