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# St James Friday News 12.02.21

Don't forget you can find lots of important information on our website:

<http://st-james-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk/>

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

## Thank You

A huge thank you for your support and understanding over a very challenging half term. We appreciate how difficult the circumstances have been for all of you too, but again another huge thank you for embracing remote learning and helping your children as much as you can. We hope that you have been satisfied with the remote learning offer we have provided and that you recognise we have changed and improved our approach as the term has gone on. Not only have we researched and developed our own ideas to improve, but we have really valued and used your feedback



too. As we close today for the half term break, please make sure that you all have a restful week.

Please stick to the national guidance of 'stay home' so that we can all do our bit to help the decline in covid data and hopefully work towards the end of this current situation sooner rather than later. Schools still do not know what will happen after half term - we find out what's happening at the same time it is announced to the nation. What we do know is that it is very likely an announcement will be made regarding schools on Monday 22nd February. The Prime Minister has already stated he is hopeful schools might start to reopen from Monday 8th March, but we are not sure yet if this will be the case or what this will look like. In the meantime, take care of yourselves, stay safe and God bless.

We also need to say a massive thank you to all of the wonderful children of St James. We know this half term must have been hard for you too not being in school and seeing your teachers and friends. Thank you for trying your very best with the work that we have set up for you, either online or on paper. Your parents have told us over the phone that you have all been trying your best and we can't ask anymore from you than that. Well done! Hopefully it's not too much longer until we get to see you all back in school; we are missing you so much! In the meantime, remember how proud ALL of the adults are of you at St James! Keep smiling, keep trying your best at home and enjoy some down time over the half term holiday.

I'm sure you will join me in thanking all the St James' staff for the immense work and dedication they have shown during this difficult time. Staff have gone above and beyond every single day to ensure that all the children and families have been supported during this very difficult time.

Thank you for the many positive messages we have received and the constructive feedback. We really do appreciate it and hope to welcome the children back soon.

Well done everybody!!

## Work Packs

If your child requires a new paper-based work pack for after half term, then please make sure you have requested one through the Microsoft Form that was sent out via text earlier in the week. These will be available from Monday 22nd February - you will be texted out when they are ready to collect. It is really important that you bring completed packs back to school so that teachers can see how well your child is getting on (this will help us with our curriculum plans when children eventually return to school) and we can reward your child for their hard work!

## Half Term Covid-19 Guidance

School will continue to support the track and trace process for Covid-19 during February half term. If your child does start with symptoms up to and including Sunday 14th February and then tests positive, please let us know as they will have had contact with other children and staff on Friday 12th February. If this situation were to arise, school will text out a link to a letter to those affected informing them that a period of self-isolation for 10 days from last contact would have to begin. To report a positive case please email the school office at: [office@st-james-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-james-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk) (or direct message us through our school Facebook page) this will be monitored each day up until the 18th February, as the chances are any positive cases after this date will have had symptoms starting 48 hours clear of Friday 12th February; you must tell us the date your child started with their symptoms. If your child develops symptoms and then tests positive after this date, please inform us anyway as they might not be back in school on Monday 22nd February and then we have the reason why and an expected return to school date. You will then have to use the national track and trace to help identify any close and direct contacts of your child.



### Star of the Week

Class 1: Amelia T	Class 7: Lily Mae L
Class 2: Felicity P	Class 8: Jaiden N
Class 3: Ethan MK	Class 9: Joshua T
Class 4: Eesa S	Class 10: Logan T
Class 5: Faith Y	Class 11: Logan W
Class 6: Flynn D	



**Our Christian value this half term is:**

**Love**

**Bible quote of the week:**

Love each other with genuine affection,  
and take delight in honoring each other.

Romans 12:10

