

St James the Less Splash News
Week Beginning 22nd January 2024

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Year 1 News

The children have made a wonderful start to the Spring term and have been working extremely hard. In maths, we have started to look at the numbers in between 10 and 20 to understand their place value. We have been using lots of different maths equipment to make these numbers.



In science, we have started to learn about the different types of materials. We even did a material hunt around school to try and find different objects that are made of fabric, metal, plastic, wood and rock. We found so many things made of metal and plastic, but not so many were made out of rock. Some objects were even made out of more than one material! The children did a fantastic job at describing the features of each material e.g. "Plastic can be hard, but it can also be bendy."



We have also been art investigators this week! We learned about the primary colours and then investigated how to make the secondary colours by mixing red, blue and yellow paint together. We were able to make different shades of each colour by adjusting the amount of colour we used – it was so much fun being creative!

Assemblies

Our assemblies are listed below for this Spring term. All assemblies will start at 9am.

09.02.2024 Year 5

23.02.2024 Year 6

01.03.2024 Year 4

08.03.2024 Year 3

15.03.2024 Year 2

22.03.2024 Year 1

28.03.2024 Year Reception: Please note this is a Thursday.

Parents/carers are invited to these assemblies.

Dates for your Diary

27.02.2024 School Photographer

05.03.2024-06.03.2024 Life Education Programme

05.03.2024 Reception Class & Y6 heights & weights

29.06.2024 First Holy Communion Mass 11am

Year 6 Dates for your Diary

Week beginning 13.05.2024 SAT's week

17.05.2024 Celebratory SAT's breakfast

Sacramental Programme

Father Stamp has finalised the dates for the Sacramental programme for Year 3 and the schedule has been emailed to parents and carers. Please keep these details to hand so as not to miss any meetings, workshops or masses. Thank you.

Book Fair

We will be hosting a book fair during next half term. We will send out information as soon as details have been confirmed.

Forest School

Y3 Forest School sessions will run up to our Easter holidays.

Y2 Forest School sessions will run up to our Easter holidays.

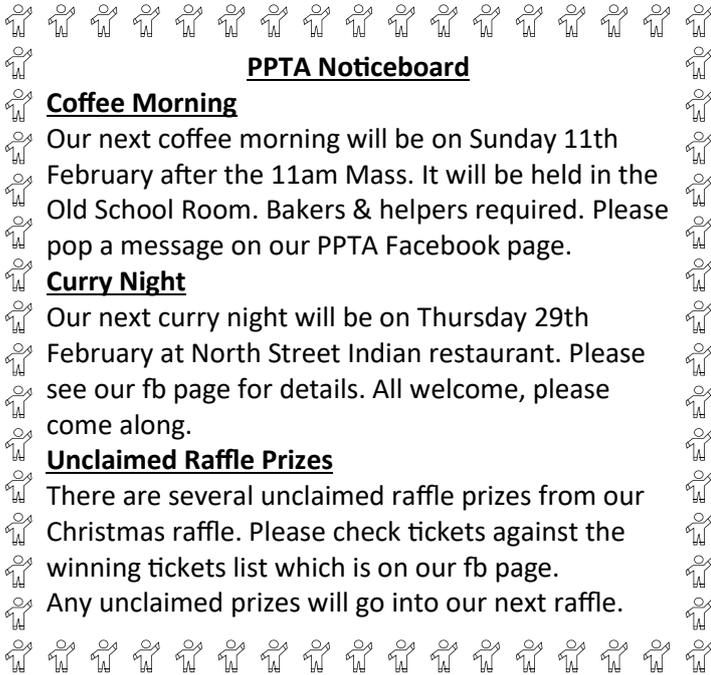
Half Term

School closes on Friday 9th February and re-opens on Monday 19th February at 8.35am in readiness for a 8.45am start.



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PPTA Noticeboard

Coffee Morning

Our next coffee morning will be on Sunday 11th February after the 11am Mass. It will be held in the Old School Room. Bakers & helpers required. Please pop a message on our PPTA Facebook page.

Curry Night

Our next curry night will be on Thursday 29th February at North Street Indian restaurant. Please see our fb page for details. All welcome, please come along.

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes

There are several unclaimed raffle prizes from our Christmas raffle. Please check tickets against the winning tickets list which is on our fb page. Any unclaimed prizes will go into our next raffle.

Privacy Notice
This can be found on our website:
Parents/Policies & Documents/GDPR Statement

School Dinners
Our system for selecting school meals for your child/ren allows you to choose a specific meal for your child. Please make every effort to book meals for your child/ren for the entire month to ensure the smooth running of this system.
Meals are available to book up until the end of March.
The closing date to book meals is always 1 week before the end of the month.
Please remember to scroll past half term/holidays when there is no menu available. If you encounter difficulties scrolling past a holiday period, type the date into the drop down box.
Where meals are not booked Mrs Shell has to enter the meals manually. It also means extra work for teachers, classroom staff, office staff and kitchen staff. When children do not have meals selected we have upset and disappointed children.
Please do not leave it to the last minute to book meals. As a school we have worked really hard to put this selection system in place, so please use it for the benefit of children and staff.

Attendance

If your child is absent you must contact school and leave a reason for absence (eg. headache, sore throat etc) on the absence line before 9.00am on the first day of absence. **Thank you to all who already do this. If you fail to do this the absence will be unauthorised. If your child has come home from school, unwell, during the school day and will not be in school the following day, you must still leave a message on the absence line. Thank you to all those who already do this.**

If your child will be arriving to school late, for example, due to medical appointment again please inform the office. Some parent/carers are sharing this information with their child's teacher on class dojo or verbally which is great, but please ensure the office are informed as they are responsible for documenting the details into attendance registers. Thank you.

Late Arrivals

Pupils arriving after 8.45am will be marked late and must enter the building by the front door.

Ash Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 14th February which is during our half term holiday. We will let you know mass times as soon as they are confirmed.

Food Bank Fundraising Event

Our school council and pupil chaplains have joined forces to organise a fundraising event for our local foodbank, The Raft Foundation. There will be a cake sale in school on Friday 23rd February, during our morning break. We are looking for donations of cakes please: cupcakes, biscuits, traybakes etc, anything which is easy to cut into portions. **Please remember we are a nut free school.** Goodies can be dropped off in school anytime from Wednesday. Cakes/biscuits etc will be 50p each. Please send money with your child/ren if they wish to buy a cake/biscuit.

Birthdays during January

Happy Birthday to Eddie (Y4), Alisa (Y1), William (Rec), Isaac (Y4), Jacob (Y4), Holly (Y1), Jenson (Rec), Mabel (Y2), Edie-Alice (Y2), Maya (Y1), Florence (Y1), Elsie (Y5), Henry (Y2), Theo (Y3), Ollie (Y4), Cecily (Rec), Betsy (Y5), Zeus (Rec), Enna (Y1), Lola (Y6) and Rose (Rec). We hope they had/have a great day

