

St James the Less Splash News  
Week Beginning 24th February 2025

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### Year 5 Class News

*"In Science we have been exploring different types of friction. In this picture we have walked and then ran with a small piece of paper and a big piece of paper. When we walked with the small pieces of paper there was less air resistance and when we ran with the small pieces of paper there was more air resistance. When we walked with the big pieces of paper there was more air resistance and when we ran with the big pieces of paper there was less air resistance."*

Written by Ava and Owen



*"This term in art we have enjoyed creating a picture of the future. We have drawn pictures of what we think is in our future, for example, a future car, or a futuristic house. We have also made a background for our pictures using a printing technique before we drew the futuristic picture on top. It was great fun."*

By Mikael and Shyla



### Curriculum Assemblies

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

28.02.2025 Year 6 **THIS FRIDAY**  
07.03.2025 Year 4  
14.03.2025 Year 2  
21.03.2025 Year 3  
28.03.2025 Year 1  
04.04.2025 Reception class  
Parents/Carers/Family members are invited.

### Dates for your Diary

14.06.2025 First Holy Communion Mass 11am  
24.06.2025 Sports Day in the afternoon.

### Year 6 Dates for your diary

26.03.2025 Educational visit Lowry Theatre  
Week beginning 12.05.2025 SAT's week  
16.05.2025 Celebratory SAT's breakfast  
03.07.2025 Invitation day to Alder Grange, All Saints, BRGS & Haslingden High.  
18.07.2025 Leavers assembly 2.30pm

### Parents' Evenings

04.03.2025 Parents' Evening **5.00pm-7.30pm**  
05.03.2025 Parents' Evening **3.30pm-5.30pm**  
**Booking appointments are already available through Teachers2Parents. Thank you to those who've already booked.**

### Forest School

Reception class will start their Forest School sessions on Monday 3rd March in the mornings.  
Year 1 will start their Forest School sessions on Monday 3rd March in the afternoons.  
Letters have already been emailed out to families with further details. Please make sure you read the letter so your child is prepared for Forest School. Thank you.

### World Book Day & International Women's Day

Please refer to letters sent home and class dojo for all the details regarding these two days which are Thursday and Friday next week. It will be an action packed week. We're all looking forward to it.



**PPTA Noticeboard**

**Pancakes**

We will serve pancakes during the afternoon of Tuesday 4th March. We are looking for helpers. Please pop a message on our fb page. Thank you.

**Coffee Morning**

Our next coffee morning will be on 9th March. Please pop a message on our fb page if you can bake and/or help serve on the day. Thank you.

**Movie Event**

This will be held straight after school, in our school hall on Thursday 20th March. More details to follow.

**Meeting Minutes**

The minutes from our last meeting are available on our fb page. Please take time to read them.

**Committee Posts**

Our current committee will be stepping down from their posts in May. Please consider coming along to our next meeting and getting involved in what we do. It really would be great to see you.

**Meeting**

Our next meeting is in school on Tuesday 1st April at 6pm.

**Thank You**

We have been granted £1,500 through the Tesco blue token scheme. This money will be spent updating our trim trail around school.

We are delighted!!

**Building Fund**

An email was sent out last term regarding making a payment towards our Building Fund. Thank you to those families who have already made a payment. This item is available on ParentPay.

**Book Fair**

We are hosting a book fair this Thursday, Friday and next Monday. The fair will be open from straight after school until 4pm. Please pop along to the book fair with your child/ren.

**Ash Wednesday**

The season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday on 5th March. There will be Mass in school at 9am. All welcome to join in the celebration of Mass. Year 4 will not attend mass with their swimming lesson taking place as usual on this day.

**Church Newsletter**

Our church newsletter is available on the fb page of Holy Apostles Rossendale. It is also available on our PPTA fb page.

**Holiday**

**School closes on Friday 4th April and re-opens on Monday 14th April at 8.35 in readiness for a 8.45am start. (5 day closure)**

**School closes on Thursday 17th April (Maundy Thursday) and re-opens on Tuesday 22nd April. (2 day closure)**

**Please make a note of these dates as they may vary from other local schools.**

**Life Education Programme**

Staff from the Life Education Programme will visit school and deliver their programme in classrooms. They will be here on Tuesday 11th March & Wednesday 12th March.

**Birthdays during March**

Happy Birthday to Arthur (Y2), Isla-Grace (Y5), Florence (Rec), Ellis (Y5), Annie (Y5), Jude (Y2), Isobelle (Y1), Annie (Y3), Emilia (Y4), Isla (Y1), Fionnuala (Rec), Lottie (Y1), Nancy (Y4), Laylah (Y2), Elodie (Y3), Teddy (Y1), Francis (Y5) and Charlie (Y6). We hope they have a great day.

**Exciting News**

Our library has had a make over. It has been painted and an artist has decorated with wall art. New carpets and furniture complete the project. A huge THANK YOU to our PPTA who funded this work. Also a big THANK YOU to Mrs Stretch, Mrs Bell-Shaw and Mr Coleman who lead the renovation.



A little snapshot of some of the art

