

St James the Less Splash News
Week Beginning 18th November 2024

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Year 4 Class News

"This term, we have been going swimming once a week at St. Peter's Leisure Centre in Burnley. We've been learning how to do different swimming strokes, like front crawl and backstroke, and getting better at floating and gliding in the water. It's been so much fun swimming with our friends and cheering each other on as we learn new skills!"

"In computing, we've been learning how to code using Scratch We started by making characters move and do fun things like jumping or spinning. After a few lessons, we were able to create our own games! Our games have cool characters, exciting animations, and even scores. It's been amazing to see what we can create!"



"In art, we've been using charcoal to make our drawings extra special. We've learned how to use it to add shading and make parts of our pictures look darker or lighter. Smudging and blending the charcoal has helped us create some really cool effects, and we've loved experimenting with it to make our drawings come to life."



By Lottie and Betsy

Curriculum Assemblies

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

22.11.2024 Year 5 **THIS FRIDAY**

29.11.2024 Year 2

06.12.2024 Year 1

Parents/Carers/Family members are invited.

Christmas Productions

Here are the dates for our Christmas Productions:

Please note Y3 & Y4 production will be in CHURCH

10.12.2024 Year 1 & Year 2 - 6pm start in school hall

11.12.2024 Year 3 & Year 4 - 6pm start in CHURCH

12.12.2024 Year 5 & Year 6 - 6pm start in school hall

13.12.2024 Reception - 9am start

More details to follow

Dates for your diary

11.12.2024 Christmas dinner-book through ParentPay

16.12.2024 Y3/4 Christmas Party in afternoon

17.12.2024 Infant/KS1 Christmas Party in afternoon

18.12.2024 Y5/6 Christmas Party in afternoon

19.12.2024 Just Imagine Production & workshop

04.03.2025 Parents' Evening

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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

Hothersall Lodge 2025

Our current Y5 class will have their educational residential visit to Hothersall Lodge from 13th-15th October 2025. Please make a note of these dates.

School Mass

There will be a whole school mass in SCHOOL on Thursday 5th December at 9am. All welcome to join in the celebration of mass.

Christmas Holiday

School closes on Friday 20th December at 3.15pm and re-opens on Monday 6th January at 8.35am in readiness for a 8.45am start.



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PPTA Noticeboard

Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who supported our coffee morning. The super sum of £108 was raised. Our next coffee morning will be on Sunday 8th December.

Bag Pack

Tesco Rawtenstall have kindly offered us the chance to do a bag pack after school on Monday 2nd December with ALL proceeds coming to us. Please see our fb page for more details. We are on the look out for more help please. Also, please continue putting your blue coins in the tub for our chance to win to fund sports equipment. Thank you.

Christmas Production and Workshops

Just Imagine Theatre are booked to come into school on Thursday 19th December. This event costs £1,800 and is totally funded by our very generous PPTA. Please support PPTA fundraising campaigns like the Tesco bag pack so our pupils can benefit from amazing opportunities afforded to our school by our PPTA.

Thank you

A HUGE thank you to our Tesco Community Champions who selected the artwork to go on our calendar. They presented very generous prizes and treats for everyone in school.

Raffle Prizes

There will be a raffle at the Christmas Productions. We are looking for donations of raffle prizes. Please send any donations into school. Depending on donations there may be stand alone prizes and donations made up into hampers. Bottles, biscuits, chocolates, food items, beauty items, vouchers etc all make great raffle prizes. Thank you to those who have already donated.

Christmas Fayre

Our Parish of Holy Apostles which comprises St James the Less, St Peter's & St Joseph's Christmas Fair will be held at St Peter's Parish hall THIS Sunday 24th November. On this day masses at St Peter's and St James the Less will both be at 10am. The fayre will start straight after the 10am masses and continue into the afternoon. There are further details on the Church newsletter which can be found on our PPTA fb page, on our school and church website. Please pop along if only for an hour or so to support this church fayre. Donations can be dropped at church or school. The summer fayre will be held in the grounds of St James the Less Church in June/July 2025.

Raffle Tickets

Thank you to those who've already returned ticket stubs and monies. Please drop off any remaining stubs and monies by first thing Friday morning so they can be taken to Church in readiness for the fayre on Sunday. Thank you.

Shirts

If you have any adult men's shirts you no longer use we could make good use of them as cover ups for art. Please just bring them into the office. Thank you.

Reception Class Vision Screening

This is booked for Tuesday 17th December in the morning. A link will be sent out as soon as it is available to us.

IMPORTANT DATE

The closing date for Primary school applications is 15th January 2025.

All applications to be done on-line.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Please submit a SIF to school in support of your application. Thank you.

Supplementary Information Form (SIF)

If you have a child due to start school in September 2025 you are required to complete a SIF/Faith Request Form. This can be found on our website in: Parents/Policies & Documents/Application of Faith Request

Children in Need

Thank you to all who supported our fundraising. The amount raised to date is £238.

This is still available on ParentPay for those who would like made a contribution and haven't already done so.

