

St James the Less Splash News
Week Beginning 3rd November 2025

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Year 6 Class News

"Our highlight this term has been Hothersall Lodge. This visit taught us many things and we had a fun experience doing activities including archery, gorge walking, climbing, zip lining and canoeing. We were very proud to represent our school, as we pushed our selves out of our comfort zone and most importantly had fun. Our wonderful instructors, Pete, Fiona, Joe and Colin, helped us conquer our fears and we would like to thank them. We would also like to thank Mrs Langan, Mrs Farrell, Miss Sutcliffe and Miss Heys for taking their time to take us to Hothersall Lodge."

Written by Joseph



"In our history topic we have been learning about The Battle of Britain. Hitler invaded Poland on the 1st of September 1939. After he attacked Poland, Britain declared war on Germany. Because of the blitz, the children from big cities were evacuated to rural locations. In 1940 during the war, rationing was introduced as much of the food supply didn't make it all the way to England. The German submarines bombed ships carrying food supplies. Rationing books were introduced to ensure everyone had enough to eat. Learning about World War II has been fun and interesting and we look forward to learning more."

Written by Amelie

Curriculum Assemblies

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

07.11.2025 Year 5 **THIS FRIDAY**

14.11.2025 Year 2

21.11.2025 Year 1

28.11.2025 Year 4

05.12.2025 Year 3

Parents/Carers/Family members are invited.

Stay and Pray Sessions

Our stay and pray sessions are listed below for this Autumn term. All sessions will start at 2.45pm.

11.11.2025 Year 6

18.11.2025 Year 1

25.11.2025 Year 3

02.12.2025 Reception

Parents/Carers/Family members are invited.

Thank you to all our families who are coming along to these sessions.

Dates for your diary

10.03.2026 Parents' Evening

11.03.2026 Parents' Evening

More details to follow

Hothersall Lodge 2026

Our current Y5 class will have their educational residential visit to Hothersall Lodge from 19th-21st October 2026. Please make a note of these dates.

Year 6 Dates for your diary

Week beginning 11.05.2026 SAT's week

15.05.2025 Celebratory SAT's breakfast

Harvest Festival Foodbank

Thank you to all who donated items to our foodbank appeal. We had a marvellous haul of supplies.



Just some of our donations



PPTA Noticeboard

Coffee Morning

Our next coffee morning will be on Sunday 9th November. Bakers and helpers required please. Please pop a message on our fb page.

Tesco Bag Pack

03/12/2025 Bag pack, Tesco Haslingden. More details to follow.

Non-uniform Fundraiser

Thank you to all who supported our non-uniform day. The amount raised to date is £196.50. This is still available on ParentPay for those who haven't yet made a contribution.

Christmas Artwork

A sample of your child's artwork has already been sent home this week. Thank you to those who've placed orders. Commission from orders goes to our PPTA. Orders will be delivered to school. A big THANK YOU to one of our parents Lisa who organises this fundraiser.

Movie Events

Thursday 13.11.2025 Infant classes
Thursday 20.11.2025 Junior classes
These will be held straight after school, in our school hall. Check our fb page for more details. Films TBC. Tickets £5 including snack and a drink. This is available on ParentPay.

Calendar

We are looking for a few sponsors for our upcoming calendar. Please see our fb page or meeting minutes for more information.

Children in Need

Come to school in non uniform wearing spots/yellow if possible on FRIDAY, 14th November. Minimum £1 donation or more if you wish. Available on ParentPay where amount can be edited to make the donation of your choice or a cash donation can be brought into school on the day. Merchandise on sale in school: Headbands £2 Badges/Wristbands/Pens £1 Please send cash in with your child if they'd like to shop!

Building Fund

This letter has already been emailed out and payment is available on ParentPay. Thank you to those who have already made payment.

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 on Sunday 30th 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 the 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 2026.

Raffle Tickets

Books of raffle tickets in support of the Church Christmas Fayre will be sent home soon. Please do your best to sell them and return ticket stubs and monies to school. Thank you.

Rossendale Hospice Penny Pinching Boxes

Please do your best to make a contribution. Please return them no earlier than Wednesday 26th November. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATE

The closing date for Primary school applications is 15th January 2026.

All applications to be done on-line.

www.lancashire.gov.uk/schools

Please submit a SIF to school in support of your application. The SIF form can be found on our website in:

Parents/Policies & Documents/Application of Faith Request

Birthdays in November

Happy Birthday to Rocco (Y6), Sofia (Y5), Emma (Y5), Ada (Y2), Spencer (Y1), Thomas (Y4), Hugh (Y3), Amelia (Y4), Aoife (Y1), Freya (Y1) and Amoura (Y4). We hope they had/have a great day.

