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"With exploring minds, and faith, we achieve our challenging goals."

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Welcome to this week's newsletter

PUPILS OF THE WEEK

The children have all been working extremely hard again this week. Here are our Pupils of the Week-

Class 1 - Sophia L & Aysel G

Class 2 - Alex M

Class 3 - Jamie C, Alisha M & Rosa F

Class 4 - Skyler C & Harrison S

Class 5 - Jasmine T & Layla O

Class 6 - Charlotte B & Oliver G



Spelling Shed Superstars

Class 1 - Zane H

Class 2 - Alice T

Class 4 - Kate H

Class 5 - Nancy H

Class 6 - Charlotte J



Spelling Shed 

Each week, all of the children gaining 100% in a reading quiz are placed into a prize draw to win a book of their choice.

This weeks winners were Melissa S & Poppy M

Timestable Rockstars

Class 1 - Eva M

Class 2 - Libby M

Class 3 - Matthew D

Class 4 - Zayne M

Class 5 - Lewis G

Class 6 - Wilf P



Attendance winners:

Class 3, 4 & 6 have top attendance this week and will receive an

extra playtime.

Overall school attendance this is week:

98.55%



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As ever, do not hesitate to contact me if you have any concerns about any aspect of school life.

Mr Beattie

Health & Safety Governor Checks—Some of you may have seen me joined on the yard on Tuesday morning by a gentleman wearing a mask. This was an arranged visit from Mr Hayes, our H & S Governor who had kindly agreed to monitor our safety measures in line with our Risk Assessments and re-opening plan. He spent the morning with me observing entrance into school, moving to and from classes and stayed around to observe our fantastic Midday supervisors and Kitchen staff supervise lunchtimes. In addition he questioned myself, other teachers and our students of their understanding of the national guidance and school procedures. He was very supportive of our measures and particularly our students who spoke so confidently about how our staff and their parents are helping to keep them safe. Can I take this opportunity to thank the whole St James' community in working so well together over the last 3 weeks, in making the transition back into school so measured and safe. These safety measures unfortunately seem to be something we will need to continue to live with for some time, but I am encouraged by everyone's understanding and willingness to make it work. Thank you

Covid Rumour - In light of the statement above, I would like to clarify that the school has had zero positive cases of Covid-19 from either students or staff. On a number of times, we have informed some parents that their child has been identified as a close contact of a suspected case. This was a precautionary measure, and thankfully all cases have come back negative and the child has since returned back to school. We have become aware of a rumour last week, but I can confirm that we have had no positive cases to date in our school. In the scenario of a positive child or staff member being positively tested, we would notify the whole school that day.

EBASC Club Activities - You hopefully received details of some After-school activities happening over the next few weeks. These are open to all age-groups through our school-run EBASC club. If you would like your child to attend after-school club for any of the activities you can book in via the EBASC number 07563785331, or alternatively ring into school office who can pass the booking over to Mrs Thomas and Mrs Jackson. The prices for breakfast club and after-school club remain at the previous prices

- Breakfast Club = £3.00
- After school club/activities = £5.00

Assemblies this week - The 'St James' Way' has been the focus of many of our online assemblies this week, and I have been really encouraged by the responses of all classes who can identify many ways to demonstrate 'Being Kind', 'Being Respectful' and 'Giving Their All'. The children have also been able to speak confidently about how 'The St James Way' helps them to achieve their potential in class as well as how it helps them - be a great person and friend. Seeing and hearing their responses certainly put a penny

Other important notes and reminders—

- A reminder that hair needs to be tied back for school, especially when taking part in P.E.
- Can all children please remember to bring coats and jumpers to school, as increased ventilation and with the winter weather approaching, children need to have warm items to put on.
- For the school photos on Thursday, Class 6 who will be in PE clothing please remember to wear suitable clothing on the upper body, i.e. school jumpers, hoodies or school polo t-shirts for the photograph.
- EBASC activities—Please note Tuesdays are now changing from circuits to computer game night!

Coming up at St James' (new entries in red):

- Thursday 1st October - School photograph's
- Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October - Half Term

