



St James' Church of England Junior School

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

Curriculum News

This week teachers will be planning the curriculum for next half term. Keep looking at our website for updates on what your child's class will be learning. **Christmas carols are on the website so that your child can practise at home.**

There will be a house team morning on Wednesday this week and your child may come to school in a t-shirt of their house colour. They should also wear a pair of trainers or PE shoes.

Church Worship

Due to the Guitar Concert in school on Tuesday, we will not be going to the Church for our usual service.

PTA

There has been a request by a parent for the forming of a PTA. In order to gauge interest for this we will have a meeting in school for anyone interested in taking part, early in the New Year. Please look out for further details.

Home-School agreement

Has your child brought their home school agreement home yet? If not please ask them for it.

Governors' Notices

Clerk to Governors Vacancy – we still have a vacancy for a clerk, if anyone is interested please contact Ms Maughan for further details.

Mon 7th Dec – Governors' Meeting

Music Lessons



Tues - a.m. – Guitar with Mr Curzon

Thurs – a.m. - Keyboard with Mr Bartholomew

Administration of Medication in School

The number of children bringing medicines to school at the moment is quite high and I want to take this opportunity to outline the school's policy on the administration of medication. I must also point out that school staff are not obliged to administer medication to pupils but generally are willing to do so.

School staff will administer 'functional' medication i.e. insulin, inhalers & adrenaline (anaphylaxis) & pupils with a medical condition should have an Individual Health Care Plan in place. Staff will be trained to administer these medications where necessary.

School staff will also administer certain medications (i.e. antibiotics or penicillin), that have been prescribed to be taken 4 times per day. Medication that is required to be taken 3 times per day only does not have to be taken during school hours and should not be brought to school. Parents are able to request their GP to prescribe medicine to be taken 3 times per day.

Staff will not administer non-prescription medication such as paracetamol, ibuprofen, cough medicines etc. unless there are exceptional circumstances which have been discussed and agreed with the headteacher or deputy head. If in doubt, please contact us.

In all cases, parents are required to complete a detailed form before handing medication into school. The medication must be sent to school in the bottle or box with the prescription details affixed. These details are not to be deviated from unless further officially prescribed dose details are given to the headteacher.

Children are not permitted to self-medicate (except those using inhalers or insulin) and all medicines (except inhalers) should be handed into the office for safe storage.



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Afterschool Activities



* Mondays 3.15pm – 4.30pm – Y5/6 Archery Club at WHYP, last session 14th Dec. Please note that children should be collected from WHYP.

* Wednesdays 3.15pm – 4.30pm – Y5/6 Climbing Club at WHYP, last session 9th Dec. Please note that children should be collected from WHYP.

* Thursdays 3.15pm – 4pm – Y6 Christmas Carol Singing – last session 3rd Dec.



Dates for your diary

Tue 8th Dec – Guitar concert @11am

Wed 9th Dec – House team morning
Christmas disco 6pm – 7.30pm

Thurs 10th Dec – Y6 Carol Singing at Poundland 1.30 – 2.20pm

Fri 11th Dec – Y6 Carol Singing at St Nicholas' Church 12.30 – 1.30pm

Tue 15th Dec – Christmas performance 1.30pm & 6pm

Wed 16th Dec – Christmas lunch **Christmas Jumper Day (in aid of WCH)**

Thu 17th Dec – Whole school cinema visit a.m. to see 'The Good Dinosaur'

Fri 18th December – Our joint carol concert with the Infants School @ 1.30pm The Junior school will finish at 2p.m. for the Christmas break.

Tues 5th Jan 2016 – Spring Term begins

9th – 12th May 2016 - SATS WEEK

Reading Books

All children are expected to read at home. Children in year 3 are reminded to take their books home but may need further reminders from you. We do not have sufficient staff to put a book in each child's school bag.

Thank you for your cooperation.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CHOICE 1	All Day Breakfast sausages, bacon, hash browns and baked beans	Cod fishcakes served with potato wedges and sweetcorn	Spaghetti or Vegetable Bolognese with garlic bread and garden peas	Roast chicken served with Yorkshire Pudding, mashed potato, cabbage, carrots and stuffing	Turkey, sage and onion patties in a pitta bread served with chips and sweetcorn
CHOICE 2	Vegetarian All Day Breakfast. Vegetarian sausages with hash browns and baked beans	Sweet tomato pasta served with crusty bread	Lentil soup & bread roll or sandwich		Cheese panini served with chips
CHOICE 3	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese, Beans, Tuna	Filled jacket potato with a choice of fillings > Cheese, Beans, Tuna
DESSERT	Iced chocolate sponge cake	Vanilla sponge cake served with custard	Chocolate Crunch and custard	Fruit muffin	Fruit salad and ice cream

