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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 - Isla D

Class 2 - Tom B

Class 3 - Gus M & George E

Class 4 - Olivia B

Class 5 - Jacob W

Class 6 - Amelia D & Theo K



Timestable Rockstars

Class 1 - Lucas Y

Class 2 - LJay C

Class 3 - Dean C

Class 4 - Jacob H

Class 5 - Aiden C

Class 6 - Grace F



Attendance winners:

Class 5 have top attendance this week with **98%**

and will receive an extra playtime.

Overall school attendance this is week:

96.33 %

Spelling Shed Superstars

Class 1 - Matthew M

Class 2 - Ellis M

Class 3 - William S

Class 4 - Anna E, Tyler E & Adam K

Class 5 - Megan M

Class 6 - Anya N

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.



MUGA Maestros

Chosen by the children for good sportsmanship, teamwork and sports skills:

Jeremiah I, Dominic B,
Finn M & Sam S



Every student. Every day.



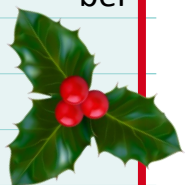
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What's been happening this week:

- It's the last week to get some more practise in for the [Nativity songs](#) and the children have been busy [rehearsing](#).
- We had our Christmas [guitar](#) and [keyboard](#) concerts this week.
- Mrs Milligan has been working with [Class 6](#) and [Class 3](#) on Advent themes.
- Check out some of the other [galleries](#) including [Class 4 Poetry Recitals](#) and [Dance with Mr Tyson \(Class 2\)](#).
- Check out your child's class page [here](#).
- Photos of the carol singing at Rosehill will be going on the website, so keep checking!

Important Notices:

- If you have not already please could all payments be made for the cinema visit.
- All guitar lessons will be held next Thursday, there will be no lessons on Monday.
- **Can all costumes for the Nativity be brought into school on Monday for the dress rehearsal.**
- A St. James' community café will be starting from Monday 13th January—please see attached flyer.
- [Copies of all school letters](#) sent out this term and this [week's homework](#)
- Please see attached flyer for the Big Christmas sing carol service attached.
- There will be a Christingle Service held in St James' Church on 24th December at 4.00 p.m., raising money for the Children's Society.
- We have now received a new date for our athlete visit, it will be the 4th February and we are excitedly waiting to find out who its going to be!
- Please see information overleaf about the Nativity and other Christmas events.



"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas"

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

- Mon 16th December—Full Governor's Meeting
- Tues 17th December—Nativity (1.30pm and 5.00pm)
- Wed 18th December—Christmas dinner & Christmas Jumper day, also school disco (4—6 p.m.)
- Thursday 19th December—Cinema visit (Frozen II)
- Friday 20th December—Carol service and then school finish—2.00pm
- **Tuesday 7th January—Spring Term Starts**



Christmas Events & Notices—



St James' Christmas Jumper Day – Traditionally we always hold our Christmas jumper day on our School dinner day which will be held next Wednesday 18th December. All children can come in Christmas jumpers and we do not ask for any money for this, it's a celebration of Christmas together as a school. Any children who usually bring a pack lunch who would like to have a school Christmas dinner, please contact the office.

Nativity Update - We still have a relatively large number of tickets available for both performances. We are proud to uphold our policy of not charging an admission fee for our Nativity performances but would love a full church to perform to. If any families or friends would like extra tickets please collect from the school office.

Please note that we can only admit people to the Nativity performances with a school ticket.

There is a funeral taking place in the church in the morning and therefore we ask parents out of respect for the family and friends, please not to arrive before 1 at the very earliest.

Can all costumes for the Nativity be brought into school on Monday for the dress rehearsal.

All children should be returned back to school at 4.30 p.m. on the 17th, so they have time to get changed and they will then be taken to the church for the performance at 5. Alternatively children can remain in school between performances and should be booked into after-school club.

Parent Info – No photograph policy. Please may I strongly repeat the messages passed out before each and every school event that we also that all parents do not take photographs or videos the event. This policy is there to protect the safeguarding of our children. To help parents capture the event, the staff and children continually take photos and videos of events, which we then check, then upload to our school website for all parents to see.

School Disco – This will run from 4pm – 6pm on Wednesday 18th December. This disco is for all children and we also open up quieter areas for any children who struggle with the loud noise. Again we have been inundated with support from our PTA volunteers who will be helping out selling sweets, tattoos and decorative glow bracelets. Mr King has asked me to pass on his thanks for parents coming forward to help. Admission to the disco will be £2.

Toy Day – Friday 20th December. We are all looking forward to our last day and would like to celebrate with a traditional Toy Day. We ask that children don't bring in expensive, electronic games in case they are damaged or lost. We also ask all children not to bring in any devices that can acquire the internet or take photographs.