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St James' CE Junior School



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### Dates for your diary

#### November

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Swimming lessons continue for 3B & 4B
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Parent's Evening
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Peace Pitch, Football Tournament (selected children)
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Mini Police litter pick
- 12<sup>th</sup> – 3B Parent's Evening
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Children in Need
- 19<sup>th</sup> – 3B Parent's Evening
- 24<sup>th</sup> – Get It Loud in Libraries 5S
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Get It Loud in Libraries 5ST
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Christmas dress up day & photographs

#### December

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Kurling Competition (selected children)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Year 6 Height & Weight
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fayre
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Christingle Service
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Primary Engagement Day Year 6
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Last swimming session
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Nasal Flu Vaccination
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Elf Run & Christmas Dinner
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Choir to sing at Barrow Market
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Drama Club performance
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Parties
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Last day buffet lunch

### Emergency Contacts

Please ensure that we have up to date telephone numbers and email addresses. Please update on Arbor or contact the school office if these have changed.

### Parent's Evening

Just a reminder of our upcoming Parent's Evening. Children took instructions home on how to book your appointment through Arbor at the beginning of the week. All appointments must be booked by this Sunday at 7pm. Any problems please contact the school office. Appointment days are as follows:

3B – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-4:30pm  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 12:30-2:30pm  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> 12:30-2:30pm

4B - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-6:00pm  
5S - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-6:00pm  
5ST - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-6:00pm  
6H - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-6:00pm  
6M - Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 3:20-6:00pm

Please be aware many times have already been booked, when you go to 'Guardian Consultation' on Arbor the times showing are the only available times each teacher has left.

### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov – Children in Need

Children in Need is a great charity event supporting disadvantaged children and young people in the UK by funding local charities and projects that help with challenges like poverty, illness, disability, distress, neglect, and mental health issues.

Children can come to school dressed in anything Pudsey themed, bright colours or spots. Any donations will be gratefully received, we also have pin badges & wristbands to sell for £1.00 and raffle tickets for 50p for the chance to win a Pudsey teddy bear. All are available in the school office from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November.

### Cinema Visits

Lower & Upper school were due to visit the cinema this month, unfortunately Vue Cinema has cancelled this due to modernisation work taking place.

### Nasal Flu Vaccination

Reminder this takes place in school on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December.

### Upcoming Christmas Events

#### Fri 28<sup>th</sup> Nov - Christmas Dress Up Day

Children are to come to school in either a Christmas jumper, t-shirt, dress etc. they are to bring some chocolate to school which will then be used on our Chocolate Tombola Stall at the Christmas Fayre.

#### Christmas Photographs

For the past few years we have taken our own Christmas photographs of the children to sell as Christmas cards, A4 and A5 prints as part of our Christmas Fayre fundraising. This will also take place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November when it is Christmas dress up day.

A sample print will be sent home with a price list so you can then place your orders on Arbor.



#### Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec at 2pm – Christmas Fayre

More information regarding our Christmas Fayre will be sent home in a separate letter. Children will be creating personalised items to sell and they will also have a visit from Father Christmas. If you are able to donate any items towards our raffle they will be gratefully received.

#### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christingle Service

Our Christingle Service will take place in Church at 2:15pm. Everyone is welcome, the service will be led by our Year 3 children.

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### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Elf Run & Christmas Dinner**

All children will be taking part in the Elf Run in aid of St Mary's Hospice please make sure they come to school in their PE kit on this day, they will be given an Elf hat to wear. This should be a fun event that the children will enjoy with many schools in the area taking part, parents are welcome to cheer their child on when they do laps of the school. Each class will do this at a different time during the morning, we will send a message home to let you know the time. Money raised will be split with 80% going to St Mary's Hospice and the remaining 20% will go to school funds. A Just Giving Page has been set up on the link below:

[Just Giving Page](#)

This link will also be sent via email and Arbor app message, if you can share this link with family and friends to support your child and this worthy cause it will be fantastic!! Let's see how much we can raise.

Following the Elf Run we would like to carry on the celebration by enjoying an early Christmas Dinner together. Lunch will be Roast Turkey / Quorn fillet with all the trimmings, there will be no alternative option of deli bar or jacket potatoes on this day. If your child does not want the Christmas dinner they will need to bring a packed lunch. We will also have crackers for the children to open. This will be charged at the normal price of £2.70 on Arbor (*children eligible for free school meals with still have this meal for free*).

### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December – School Choir**

Children who have attended Mrs Stephens Choir will be singing at Barrow Market in the Mall at 1:30pm. Family are welcome to watch.

### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Parties**

Children can come to school in Christmas party clothes, we will have a disco in school with treats for the children.

### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December – Buffet Lunch**

As it is the last day of term children will have a buffet lunch, there will be no deli bar or jacket potatoes on this day, children who do not want the buffet can bring a packed lunch. This will be charged at the normal price of £2.70 on Arbor (*children eligible for free school meals with still have this meal for free*).

### **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Last day of term School closes at 1:10pm all children must be collected at this time**

Children will return to school on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026.



As the weather has now changed and children will be going out of school on occasion please make sure they have a warm waterproof coat, hat and gloves with them, especially for playtimes.

All after school activity clubs will have their last sessions on the week beginning 1<sup>st</sup> December. With the exception of Drama Club which will continue until their performance on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December.

Mr Suligowski's selected Football Club has now finished for the term.