



**St James' CE Primary**

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026



## Message from our headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are already halfway through the term, and it has been wonderful to see how much the children continue to achieve and enjoy their learning.

The excitement for J-Factor is certainly building, and I cannot wait to see the range of talents that will be showcased. More information will be sent out shortly about the grand final, which will be held on

Wednesday 25th February in the evening.

In worship, we have been celebrating the centenary year of Blackburn with Darwen Diocese. As part of this, we have been unpicking what it truly means to be kind. This week, the children discussed how we can support our community, and their responses were incredibly thoughtful. It is clear that they understand how to make a positive impact both in and out of school.

Please keep your eyes peeled, as we will soon be launching our new school website. We are very excited to share this with you. A huge thank you to Miss Bryan, who has been working closely with the website developers to ensure it looks modern whilst also being user-friendly.

"Be kind and compassionate to one another." (Ephesians 4:32)

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Miss Tindall

Headteacher

# class Page weekly updates



A reminder to check your child's Class Page on the school website each week. Teachers upload a summary of what the children have been learning, along with photos. It's a great way to keep connected with what's happening in the classroom – we hope you enjoy having a peek at the wonderful learning taking place!

Click on the links below:



Reception



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6

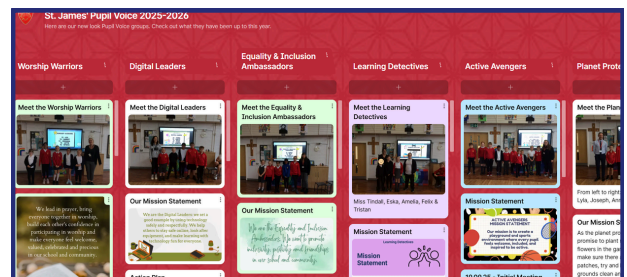
## St James' Journalists

Not read the latest newsletter from our St James' Journalists? Click on the picture below...



## Pupil Voice

Click on the link below to see what our pupil voice groups have been up to...



# Stars of the week

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026



YR - Grace A, Y1 - Nellie D, Y2 - Kimberley C,  
Y3 - Archie C, Y4 - Jack R, Y5 - Peter K and  
Y6 - Madison M

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YR - Kyra S, Y1 - Abbie F, Y2 - Brody F,  
Y3 - Harley P, Y4 - Eryk B, Y5 - Keith C and  
Y6 - Rithika A



# World Book Day - Thursday 5th March

We are excited to be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March, and we have lots of fun planned!

To mark this special day, we are inviting all children to come to school dressed as a word (for example: adventure, magic, brave, kind). Children are encouraged to be as creative as possible! 🎨🌟

All children will have the opportunity to show off their chosen word during our annual World Book Day Parade in the hall.

## Book in a Box Competition

We will also be running a "Book in a Box" competition that children can take part in from home. Using an old shoebox, can you create something new and exciting that represents your favourite book?

Entries will be judged by our Learning Detectives Pupil Voice Group, who will choose the winners.

We can't wait to see the fantastic words, costumes, and book creations our children come up with – let's make it a wonderful celebration of reading! 📖🌟

# Dates for your Diary



## February

### Tuesday 3rd

Year 5 Stay and Learn (Y5 parents invited 9am)

### Thursday 5th

Year 2 Class Worship (Y2 parents invited 9am)  
KS1 parents invited to scholastic book fair 3.15pm

### Friday 6th

KS1 parents invited to scholastic book fair 3.15pm

### Monday 9th

KS2 parents invited to scholastic book fair 3.15pm

### Tuesday 10th

Safer Internet Day

KS2 parents invited to scholastic book fair 3.15pm

### Friday 13th

Break up for half term

### Monday 23rd

Return to school after half term

For any safeguarding, mental health, wellbeing and family support, please contact Mrs Jacques:

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Useful Links ....



**Family Hub**  
Online



# Blackburn Diocese Centenary Prayer



Heavenly Father,  
In our Centenary year  
we rededicate ourselves and our Diocese to you.  
Send the Holy Spirit to give us confidence in our witness,  
generosity in our service, and love for our neighbours,  
that your Church may be renewed and many come home to you,  
through your Son our saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.