

# ST JAMES' Newsletter

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Date: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023



*Doug Stitches*

Mr D Stitches, Headteacher

## Dear Parents/Guardians

Well, here we are again at the end of another term!

I would like to thank you all for your support over the year.

For those of you who may not know, Miss Power will be going on a secondment to Lower Darwen Primary School until summer. This is an excellent opportunity for her, and we wish her every success. Mrs Stott will be joining us in January on a temporary basis and some of the children have already had the chance to meet her!

I'd also like to give you advance notice of a special '**Afternoon Tea**' event we will be hosting on the afternoon of **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2024** – we will send out more information next term; but please, save the date!

As we head into the holidays, whatever your faith or beliefs, I would like to wish you a very peaceful and relaxing holiday. I will be having a quiet Christmas at home with my family (despite Mrs Stitches's insistence that we should go to Lanzarote!). However you spend the holidays, have a wonderful break.

Finally, just a quick reminder that school re-opens to children on **Tuesday 9th January 2024**.

Merry Christmas, and a very Happy New Year – we'll see you all in 2024!

Mr Stitches



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# Admissions Policy 2025-2026 Consultation Information

Please note, the consultation period for our 2025-2026 admission arrangements will run from 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023 to 30<sup>th</sup> January 2024. If you would like to share your views, please visit:  
<https://www.stjamesceprimaryblackburn.co.uk/page/admissions-policy-2025-2026-consultation-information/144187>



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# attendance ~~MATTERS~~



CONGRATULATIONS TO CLASS 4J WHO ARE THE ATTENDANCE WINNERS FOR LAST WEEK!

WHO WILL BE THE WINNERS NEXT WEEK?

95% and above	RS	88.5%	
	RJ	85.2%	
	1S	94.0%	2
	1J	73.7%	
	2S	93.3%	
90% - 94.9%	2J	89.3%	
	3S	88.3%	
	3J	83.5%	
	4S	91.7%	
	4J	94.5%	1
Below 90%	5S	83.6%	
	5J	89.6%	
	6S	87.1%	
	6J	93.3%	

If your child is absent due to illness, the office must be informed before 08:35 on that day.



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# PRAYER

*for the week*

Dear God

Thank you for our St James' community and everyone who helps our school to be the best that it can be.

We pray for the year ahead.

Let's all pray for the safety of everyone and peace all around the world.

Amen



Follow the school on social media to keep up to date on what is happening in and around school!

Facebook: [@StJamesCofEBlackburn](https://www.facebook.com/StJamesCofEBlackburn)

Twitter: [@st\\_blackburn](https://twitter.com/st_blackburn)

Please note that you don't need to have an account to view our social media pages.



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