

MARCH		
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	SIMS training Zoom	
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Budget Planning Zoom Governors Covid Committee Zoom	
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Sacha Humphries from the Diocese Pastoral Zoom	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Local Cluster Heads Meeting Zoom 1pm	
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Full Governors Zoom 4.30pm	
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Amy Townley Off the Record visiting	
APRIL		
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Headteachers' Briefing SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER	
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Good Friday	
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday	
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	BACK TO SCHOOL	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	World Book Day	
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Legionella Training Zoom	

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# St James' Catholic Primary

## "Great News"

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March

### **WELCOME BACK**

We seem to have waited a long time to be all back under one roof and this week we have and it has been wonderful! Thank you to every child, parent, member of staff and governor who has worked together during this last lock down to ensure that our children have been supported with their emotional well being and their learning and most importantly kept safe.

### **RETURN TO SCHOOL**

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who have read the guidelines that we have issued on the website and on the facebook page and are doing their best to keep our children safe before and after school. If you haven't had chance to look then please do. The new website has a turquoise box entitled "School News" on the front page and you will find the guidelines there. (I will endeavour to put all letters from school there in future).

### **LITURGY MATTERS**

#### **SUNDAY MASS**

If you wish to attend Sunday Mass at St James' don't forget to book on, (details on the Parish Page of our website and the school facebook page). Mass is at 9am, Church opens from 8.45am, the stewards will show you to your seat and don't forget to bring your mask. Fr Philip will be in touch soon about plans for Easter... watch this space.

### **LENT**

We are in the season of Lent, a time of preparation for Easter. All our prayer focus tables have turned Purple and the children and staff are focusing on the words Pray... Fast ... and ... Share in school. Maybe we could all do with taking time for prayer this week, it doesn't have to be about using particular words just be kind to yourself and take a moment of silence in this week to have a chat or to just sit with your thoughts.

### **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

Please find time to acknowledge all those who have a "mothering" role in your life this Sunday. To all Mums/ stepmums/ godmothers/ Grandmas out there enjoy your hand made cards, messages and treats! I have two very interesting parcels at home, one from Thailand and the other from "Down yde"!

### **MISS CHAPMAN**

Congratulations to Miss Chapman and her partner Tom on the safe arrival of baby William on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> March, he weighed 6lb 9oz and all are reported to be doing well.

Mrs Sanderson is covering Year 1 whilst Miss Chapman is on Maternity Leave and we are all glad to have her back at St James'.

### **MRS SNARR**

As some of you may have noticed Mrs Snarr also has exciting news to share as she is also expecting a baby in the summer. How wonderful!

### **OFF THE RECORD**

Amy Townley our new Off the Record Councilor will be visiting on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March with a view to starting working with the children on Mondays after Easter. I hope that she will soon feel part of the team at St James'.

### **NEW WEBSITE**

We know that our old website was getting progressively difficult to access especially on mobile phones so we have worked with our provider to move most of the content over onto a new system. It really does look good and we are all really pleased with it. Every member of staff has been busy updating old pages and adding new pages. Please make sure you check it out and let us know how you get on. **If you have an android phone and want to open attachments you need to hold your finger down on the document before it opens.**

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Just a reminder that Breakfast Club is for working parents on the days that they have absolutely no other childcare available. It needs to be booked by emailing [care@st-james-hyde.tameside.sch.uk](mailto:care@st-james-hyde.tameside.sch.uk). The children who attend will be in two bubbles. Their class bubble and Breakfast Club bubble and will have to isolate if anyone tests positive in either bubble. At the moment all Breakfast Club places are taken and we have a waiting list for places.

### **PARKING**

It seems ages since I had to mention parking. Before Lockdown we were all really good at parking away from Cheriton Close, being careful to park sensibly on Underwood Road, preferably on the Church Car Park. Thank you to everyone who responded to the text message to park away from school, the mornings have been much better, please can we all try to keep safe in the afternoons too.

### **ADVANCED NOTICE**

**World Book Day...** We like to be different at St James' and we wanted to be together for World Book Day so we will be holding ours on St George's Day, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will be keeping it simple this year and taking a bedtime story theme. The children are welcome to come to school in their pajamas and/or onesies for the day.

### **CONTACTING SCHOOL**

There are many different ways in which we communicate information at St James'. First, we have this newsletter which can be found on Facebook and on our website. Secondly, we have a parent texting service so please ensure that we always have your most recent mobile phone number. Our Facebook page is Friends of St James Hattersley, please request to join, (if you have a different surname from your child or look like a deer or some other filter in your photograph then please send me a message to say who you are so I can approve your request!). Our website is [www.st-james-hyde.tameside.sch.uk](http://www.st-james-hyde.tameside.sch.uk) and we also have a twitter page @StJHattersley and we are always looking for more followers! Normally staff are available before and after school or we'd advise you to pop into the office but until further notice please phone us if you need to talk.