DECEMBER		
Monday 7 th	Mrs Walker out Diocesan Day	
Tuesday 6 th	Reception Pantomime Trip	Hub
	RE Coordinators Zoom	
Wednesday 7 th	Nativity Tickets on sale	
	Full Governors Meeting	
Thursday 8 th	Mrs Walker out Diocesan Day	
Friday 9 th	Class 6 Mass	
	Christmas Craft Fair	
Tuesday 13 th	Infant Nativity 2pm and 6pm	
Wednesday 14 th	Year 1 Christmas Cinema	
Thursday 15 th	EYFS Nativity 10.30pm	
Friday 16 th	Christmas Dinner	
Monday 19 th	EYFS Party am	
	KS2 Party pm	
Tuesday 20 th	SANTA!!!	
	KS2 Party	
Wednesday 21st	Junior Carol Service 11am church	
	School Closes at 2pm	
JANUARY 2023		
Tuesday 3 rd	Staff INSET	
Wednesday 4 th	SCHOOL REOPENS FOR THE CHILDREN	
Friday 6 th	Epiphany Mass	

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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There are many different ways in which we communicate information at St James'. Our **newsletter** which can be found on Facebook and on our website. Our **Facebook** page is Friends of St James Hattersley, please request to join, you will be asked questions about your relationship to children in school so we can ensure that we can check who is joining. Our **website** is <u>www.st-james-hyde.tameside.sch.uk</u> and we also have a **twitter** account @StJHattersley and we are always looking for more followers! We also have a parent **texting** service so please ensure that we always have your most recent mobile phone number. You can also talk to us on the gate or nip into the office with a message!

St James' Catholic Primary "Great News"

Friday 2nd December

LITURGY MATTERS

Thank you Class 4 for leading our Community Assembly on Thursday. It was a brilliant reminder of the meaning of Advent and a reminder to take time for reflection in the busy build up to Christmas..

This morning we had a lovely Advent wreath assembly. The wreaths are so wonderful and so different. Well done everyone.

Year 6 will be leading an Advent Mass for us in church on Friday 9th December at 9.15am.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Thank you so much for the donations of bottles and chocolate for the tombola at our Christmas Craft Fair on Friday 9^{th} December.

We will also have a school **bric a brac** stall if anyone is having a clear out before Christmas, anything that is like new will be gratefully received. We will also be looking for **cakes** for the cake stall.

The Craft Fair will be running from 2.30-5.30pm on Friday 9^{th} December, please call in and support this venture!

PANTOMIME

We had a fantastic time at the pantomime last night... Oh yes we did! Thank you to Mrs Boyce and Miss Glynn for organising the trip and to Mr Woolley, Mrs Slawson, Mrs Collins, Miss Jowitt, Miss Eustace, Miss Seton Jones and Mrs Hogan for giving up their evening to accompany us. It was an excellent production and we all enjoyed it very much.

BRASS CONCERT

Thank you Mr Conway, Mrs Collins and Mrs Kinder for another fantastic Brass Assembly this afternoon. There is nothing like having a brass band gathered around the school Christmas Tree. Mr Woolley had some Deputy Head colleagues visiting this afternoon and they were very impressed with the standard of music at our school.

WOMENS FOOTBALL

Please could everyone who has signed up for the Manchester City V Manchester United Womens' football match be advised that they have changed the time of kick off so we now need to meet at school at 10am.

NEWSLETTER

I am trying an experiment with the newsletter, it will be published in full on the website and on Facebook but I will also try and post it in smaller chunks on Facebook to see if that helps.

CHRISTMAS DATES

EYFS (Nursery and Reception)

PANTOMIME Reception Class have been invited to a community pantomime at The Hub on Tuesday 6th December in school time. There is no charge for this.

EARLY YEARS NATIVITY Nursery and Reception will be performing their Nativity Play on Thursday 15th December at 10.30am. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 7th December and will cost £2 each

EARLY YEARS PARTY will be held on Monday 19th December in the morning. Children may come to school in their party clothes or Christmas jumpers but please remember that they still have to play out so need to wear sensible shoes and warm coats.

SANTA If he is not too busy, we may have a special visitor on Thursday 20th December.

KS1 (Years 1 & 2)

CHRISTMAS CINEMA Year 1 will be having a Christmas Cinema in the Ark on 14th December.

INFANT NATIVITY Year 1 & 2 will be performing their Nativity Play on Tuesday 13th December at 2pm and 6pm. Tickets will be on sale from Wednesday 7th December and will cost £2 each. Please note that ALL children are needed back at school at 5.40m for the evening production... (even if you have seen it in the afternoon)

KEY STAGE 1 PARTY will be held on Monday 19th December in the afternoon. Children may come to school in their party clothes or Christmas jumpers but please remember that they still have to play out so need to wear sensible shoes and warm coats.

SANTA If he is not too busy we may have a special visitor on Thursday 20th December.

KS2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6)

JUNIOR CAROL SERVICE Years 3-6 will be sharing a Carol Service with us in church on Wednesday $21^{\rm st}$ December at 11am

KEY STAGE 2 PARTY will be held on Tuesday 20th December in the afternoon. Children may come to school in their party clothes or Christmas jumpers but please remember that they still have to play out so need to wear sensible shoes and warm coats.

CHRISTMAS DINNER we will be all having Christmas Dinner on Friday 16th December. Everyone may substitute one item of uniform with something festive, Christmas Jumper, socks, hair accessory etc.

FOREST SCHOOL

It is **Year 5**'s turn for Forest School this half term. Their sessions are on Wednesdays. The children must come to school in their forest school clothes (clothes that you don't mind getting wet, ripped or dirty... and wellies or walking boots)

NURSERY

We currently have some places in our Nursery if you know of anyone with a child who is already 3 or will turn 3 this academic year. Please give us a ring if you are interested in a nursery place. It is also useful to have those under 3 on our list so we can predict numbers.

PARKING

We are very lucky with our neighbours who are all very supportive of school. Please can you continue to park considerately, the best plan is to avoid Cheriton Close altogether and park on the church car park and walk round to school. Please don't park on the grass verges.

PE KIT

Everyone has PE on a Tuesday and we are going to continue coming to school in our PE Kits on a Tuesday. Please can you ensure that it is our school kit of white t shirt and dark blue or black shorts, as plain as possible. Children may also wear trainers on Tuesdays. Staff may also wear their gym kit on Tuesdays for our well being and keeping fit sessions after school.

SPORTS

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Terri's After School Sports Club. This is after school on Tuesdays, 3.30pm-5.00pm. This club is open to anyone who is in KS2 (Years 3-6) and this term it will be Dance or Hockey. Our Hockey team played really well at the TCSSA tournament, they won 2 matches and lost 3.

Running Club This is after school on Wednesday 3.30pm -4.30 pm with Mr Woolley, Mrs Collins and Miss Clark and is for anyone in KS2 (Years 3-6).

Girls Football is after school on Thursdays $3.30 \, \text{pm}-5.00 \, \text{pm}$ with Mr Partridge and is by invitation. The girls have had great fun recently playing friendly matches against neighbouring schools and our girls team came 2^{nd} in the TCSSA girls football.

Boys football is after school on Fridays 3.30pm-5.00pm with Mr Partridge and is by invitation

Hattersley Brass is every Thursday with Mr Conway Mrs Kinder and Mrs Walker. 3.45pm-4.30pm for beginner band, Main band (once you can read music) 4.45pm-5.45pm Anyone from Year 4 onwards can stay behind on a Thursday for Hattersley Brass.

AFTER CHRISTMAS WE WILL BE SWAPPING BOYS AND GIRLS FOOTBALL OVER AS THERE ARE SOME TALENTED MUSICIANS WHO WISH TO PLAY FOR HATTERSLEY BRASS AND THE GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM!