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St James Friday News 07.09.18

Don't forget you can find lots of important information on our website:

<http://st-james-farnworth.bolton.sch.uk/>

Our 'Calendar' is updated on a regular basis with important school dates.

Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to St James after the summer break and a huge welcome to any families that are joining us. We hope you and your child enjoy your time with us. Staff here work incredibly hard to make sure your child has a purposeful and enjoyable experience. However, if you have any questions or concerns about anything then please make sure you come and speak to a member of staff who will gladly help or find someone who can. There are no silly questions so please don't be worried about getting in touch. Please remember that you can find lots of information about school via our website or Facebook page. This newsletter is published electronically every Friday on the school website, Facebook and Twitter so please make sure you follow us.

Bags

A great big thank you to all of the parents who have supported our request for book bags in school as opposed to rucksacks/backpacks. It really has made a difference to the cloakrooms which in turn will minimise mess and potential trip hazards for your children. We would like more parents to support us with this so we ask that you send your child to school with a small book bag if you need to purchase new bags.

Your child only needs a school bag for transporting reading books and homework books; so the large backpacks that tend to come into school aren't really needed. You do not need to purchase a book bag with a school logo on, any book bag will be fine.

Uniform

The children look amazing in their new uniform this week! Thank you so much for helping school to set the high standards for the children. As a school we think your children deserve the very best, so looking their best at all times really helps. We very much appreciate your support in this matter. As Mrs Belfield tells the children regularly— if you feel smart on the outside it helps you feel smart on the inside.

Celebration Assembly

As a school we promote lots of rewards for a variety of achievements such as behaviour, reading and learning times tables. Each Friday we celebrate these achievements with our 'Celebration Assembly' and some are also awarded 'Star of the Week' certificates. Due to the number of rewards we now offer, our Friday assembly is becoming longer in duration (lots to give out which takes up precious learning time) and sometimes we worry we won't be able to accommodate all of the parents who are invited. Therefore this academic year we will only be giving out 'Star of the Week', smiley awards and final reading passport/times tables rewards in Celebration Assembly on a Friday morning. All other rewards will be given out during Hymn Practice in the week. Parents will still be invited to join us on a Friday morning. If your child is due to receive an award on a Friday morning you will be sent a text message or a letter to alert you to this. Thank you for your understanding in this matter. It is great to know that the children of St James are that fantastic that they earn all of these rewards! They are a real credit to you all!

Dates for your Diary

Attached to this letter will be provisional dates for your diary. As always please be prepared that any dates could be changed nearer the time. School does endeavour to keep the published dates but occasionally we do need to change them due to circumstances out of our control or simply because of changes within school.

Attendance

Well done to our top attenders this week Classes 5, 8 & 11 with 100%

Golden Scroll

These children were in the 'Gold Zone' this week in school:

Lucas S

WHOLE SCHOOL	97.3%
Class 1	93.8%
Class 2	94.1%
Class 3	96.7%
Class 4	95.8%
Class 5	100%
Class 6	96.4%
Class 7	96.3%
Class 8	100%
Class 9	95%
Class 10	99.2%
Class 11	100%



Our Christian value this half term is:

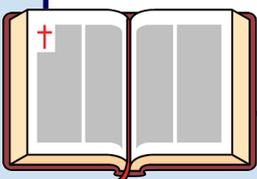
Respect



Bible quote of the week:

Love one another warmly as Christians, and be eager to show respect for one another.

Romans 12:10



Green = 95% - 100% Yellow = 90% - 94.9% Red = below 90%