



FRIDAY NEWS

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The official newsletter of St James CE Primary School

CHOOSE

RESPECT

#ANTIBULLYINGWEEK

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK

Next week, we will be taking part in the national Anti Bullying Week. We will be partaking a number of activities to challenge our thinking and reaffirm our school values around what bullying looks like and how we can put a stop to it.

In order to raise further awareness, we are asking children and adults to come to school in odd socks. No contributions of money are needed.

STAY AND LEARN

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Stay & Learn sessions this week. Please keep an eye on the calendar of events for more this term.

Missed this one? We have more planned each half term.

OFSTED

Check out our latest OFSTED report.
We are delighted with the outcome!

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STARS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Mahir Q

Class 2 - Ashantie M

Class 3 - Toby T

Class 4 - Destiny H

Class 5 - India B

Class 6 - Michael F

Class 7 - Burhan K

Class 8 - Oliver C

Class 9 - Autumn S

Class 10 - Lewis B

Class 11 - Sophia D

Class 12 - Tiife R

GOLD SCROLL

Ruby Y, Decan M,
Elif O, Hope C,
Peyton Y, Nora C,
Moeed M, Anna E,
Dominic H, Toby T,
Mia-Rose R, Ashantie M,
Talia K, Mason C,
Ayokunmi O, Teddy C,
Eva-Rose S, Daniel O,
Peter O, Rohaan N

CHRISTIAN VALUES

Our Christian value this half term is **Peace**.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you."

John 14:27

ICYMI

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

PE KITS

Please ensure that children bring the correct PE kits to school. PE kits should be brought into school on Monday and taken home on Fridays for washing.

PE is a statutory subject but children can't partake in PE without appropriate clothing and footwear. Thank you for your continued support.

TRUST SERVICE

On Thursday 14th, children from Classes 8 to 12 will go to Parish Church in Bolton to commemorate the end of WW1 and to those who have died in wars and conflicts around the world. They will be joined by children from schools in our multi-academy trust.

Children are encouraged to dress in wartime outfits. This does not mean you need to go out and buy an officers uniform. Children can come dressed as part of the 'Land Army' and wear jeans and a plain t-shirt (no patterns please).

THANK YOU, MISS MAC

We wish Miss Mac good luck as she moves on to new pastures. She has been a wonderful help in Class 6 and the staff and children will miss her very much.

COMING UP SOON

Mon 11th - Class 12's Remembrance Assembly at 2:45pm. Parents of CL12 are welcome.

Thurs 14th - Class 8-12 at Bolton Parish Church in the morning. Dress up if possible.

Thurs 14th - Reception Stay & Learn session at 9am.



CALENDAR OF
EVENTS



HOLIDAY
DATES



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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Have another check... we've made some additions and changes!

Autumn 2

Week	W/C	Events
1	04/11/24	KS1 and 2 Stay and Learn (Dates TBC) 4th – School re-opens
2	11/11/24	Swimming Pool arrives Anti-Bullying Week (ARK) 11th – Class 12 Assembly - Remembrance @2:45 14th - Trust Service (WW2 Dress up!) for CL8-12 14th - Reception Stay and Learn 15th - Children In Need (non-uniform)
3	18/11/24	Swimming lessons for Year 4 & 6
4	25/11/24	Swimming lessons for Year 4 & 6 Enterprise Week Mock Phonic Check 29th – Christmas Markets @2:00pm
5	02/12/24	Swimming lessons for Year 3 & 5 3rd - Little Saints Stay & Learning
6	09/12/24	Swimming lessons for Year 3 & 5 10th– Reception Nativity @9:30am 10th – KS1 Christmas Performance @2:15pm 11th– KS1 Christmas Performance @9:30am 11th – Reception Nativity @2:15pm 12th - Nursery Stay & Learn 13th - Class 11 Assembly - Carols/Christmas
7	16/12/24	16th - Attendance Data to Parents 17th - EYFS/KS1 Party 18th - Reception at the Pantomime 18th - Lower KS2 Party 19th - Upper KS2 Party 19th - Nursery & Little Saints Nativity (times TBC) 20th – Finish for Christmas

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about QR CODE SCAMS

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

QR code scams (also known as 'quishing') involve the malicious use of Quick Response (QR) codes to deceive people into revealing personal information or downloading harmful software. These scams exploit QR codes' convenience and widespread use – for example, in adverts, restaurant menus and public notices, with criminals installing fake QR codes which direct users to bogus sites.

PAYMENT SYSTEMS

Cybercriminals may seek to change a QR code that's related to a legitimate payment service, such as in a restaurant. If a customer scans the QR code expecting to order and pay for goods or services (such as a meal in this case), they may be directed to a site controlled by the scammers. Entering their payment details would then allow the criminals to defraud them.

DISCOUNTED GOODS

A poster promises goods or services at a discounted cost, requiring people to scan a QR code to register and pay. The poster, however, is malicious, and there is no discount. Again, providing your payment details would allow the criminal to access your funds. This scam is reasonably common and is often found in car parks in major cities.

PRIZE DRAWS

A QR code is provided for a prize draw, advertised on a poster which is likely on display in a public space. Scanning the QR code will result in being asked to provide further information (such as your email address, name, address or phone number), which is then used by criminals for further social engineering attacks or even identity fraud.

WIFI CONNECTION

Scanning a QR code may be the means of connecting to the Wi-Fi network in a hotel or other public area. This is usually legitimate, but if the QR code is a fake, it could result in criminals viewing your browsing history and even your login details. These can subsequently be used for phishing attacks and identity fraud – and even financial fraud, if they're able to access your banking credentials.

FAKE EVENTS AND TICKETS

A poster highlights news regarding an upcoming event, or regarding an additional allocation of tickets for a sold-out concert or other performance. It directs the user to scan a QR code for more information, to register or possibly to pay. The QR code then leads to a fake site hosted by scammers, aiming to gather data on the user for future attacks or to exploit or defraud them immediately.

Advice for Parents & Educators

BE VIGILANT

QR codes are becoming more prevalent, and cyber criminals are increasingly seeking to use them to steal information and commit fraud. As such, it is important to remain aware of the risks. Always consider these safety concerns before scanning a QR code and avoid doing so unless you're certain it's legitimate. Be sure to keep your device's operating system updated as well, to keep you protected from known safety risks.

CHECK FOR SIGNS OF TAMPERING

Where QR codes are printed or displayed, check for any sign of tampering: as a sticker with a new QR code being placed over the top of the previous code, for instance. Where there are signs of tampering, you should consult a member of staff (if you're in a hotel or restaurant, for example) or simply avoid scanning the code altogether.

CHECK THE URL

Most phones now show the web address or URL which a QR code connects to, and they typically require users to accept being taken to this address before progressing. Check that the web address matches that of the site or service you're expecting to access via the QR code you've scanned. If it seems dubious in any way, don't click on it.

USE TRUSTWORTHY SOURCES

Consider the source of the QR code and its trustworthiness. A QR code for payment in a restaurant, for example, is likely to be legitimate if you can see it printed on every menu; a random poster pinned up in the street or in a building's corridor is more likely to be fraudulent. If you're unsure, err on the side of caution and don't scan the code.

USE THE DEFAULT QR CODE SCANNER

Most mobile devices come with the ability to scan QR codes built into the camera app. Where possible, you should seek to use this default functionality and avoid the use of third-party QR scanning apps which may have themselves been tampered with or compromised. Stick to reputable methods.

Meet Our Expert

Gary Henderson is the Director of IT at Millfield, a large independent boarding school in Somerset, as well as a member of the Digital Futures Group, Vice Chair of the ISC Digital Advisory Group and an Association of Network Managers in Education (ANME) Ambassador.



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