



FRIDAY NEWS

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The official newsletter of St James CE Primary School



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

As you know, attendance is a major focus for our school. It is important that you continue to send your child to school every day on time.

Ensuring your child's education is uninterrupted allows them to secure all the knowledge and skills they have learnt this year and, as always, the term is jam-packed with many important and exciting events to get involved in.

Our school target is 96% and we need your help to ensure we get as close to this target as possible.

Mrs Parkinson and Mrs McKinnon will be working closely to work with parents to improve attendance across the school.

If you have any difficulties bringing your children into school everyday, please do not hesitate to get in contact with school. There are many ways in which we can provide support.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Class 1 - Jon HW

Class 2 - Brayden FS

Class 3 - Eva Rose S

Class 4 - Theo S

Class 5 - Jacob W

Class 6 - Benjamin H

Class 7 - Shahaine J

Class 8 - Bella MD

Class 9 - Isaac W

Class 10 - Farrell S

Class 11 - Mansa K

GOLD SCROLL

Thomas P, Arianna K,
Tomas G, Willow C,
Tommie I, Andy S, Evan R,
Robyn G, Renad T, Harvey R,
Renaë L, Myles C, Harry G,
Skye R, Sophia D, Faith Y,
David M, Joseph M,
Ibrahim K, Viktor Y,
Jenson M, Farrell S,
Harrison I, Luiza P,
Henry W, Isla W, William H,
Blaine D, Minal H, Paisley G,
Levi B, Tianna W, Lucas W

CHRISTIAN VALUE

Our Christian value this half term is
Honesty.

BIBLE QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Do that which is honest.

2 Corinthians 13:7

"With God, there is no limit to what you can do. There is no obstacle you can't overcome. Through Him all things are possible."

(Matthew 19:26)



OPEN-DOOR POLICY

At St James, we believe in positive home-school relationships. Therefore, the school offers an open-door policy. If you have any concerns or enquiries regarding your child, you can speak to the class teacher at the end of the day, or call the main office to request a callback or to make an appointment.

PE DAYS

Classes 1 & 2 - Wednesday	Class 7 - Tuesday & Friday
Class 3 - Thursday & Friday	Class 8 - Monday & Thursday
Class 4 - Wednesday & Friday	Class 9 - Monday & Tuesday
Class 5 - Monday & Tuesday	Class 10 - Monday & Friday
Class 6 - Monday & Tuesday	Class 11 - Thursday & Friday

SAFEGUARDING

All adults at St James are responsible for keeping all children safe.

However, if you or your child feel that they are unsafe in school or at home, we have 'Designated Safeguarding Leads' in school who will know what to do and how to help if you need it.

Your safeguarders are:

Mrs Belfield

Mr Booth

Mrs Nuttall

Mrs McKinnon

Remember you can talk to any adult in school if you have any worries.

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

OUR TARGET IS 96%

Whole School	92.1%
Class 1	97.5%
Class 2	81.9%
Class 3	95.0%
Class 4	96.3%
Class 5	86.2%
Class 6	96.3%
Class 7	88.7%
Class 8	86.0%
Class 9	96.5%
Class 10	89.7%
Class 11	96.1%

Green: 100% - 95%

Yellow: 94.9% - 90%

Red: Below 90%



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What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SHOPPING PLATFORMS

For people looking to make purchases on their phones, several shopping apps – such as Temu – allow users to buy goods at reduced prices. Others, like Vinted and Depop, let you sell items you no longer want. As internet shopping continues to grow, however, so does the risk of scammers, hackers and breaches of privacy.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISSING ITEMS

Users of Vinted, Depop and Temu have reported not receiving their products despite payment being taken. Users can initially contact the seller to query a missing item, and they have between two and five days (depending on the app) to tell the company what has happened. However, once the money has reached the supposed 'seller', it can be quite difficult to get back.

SCAMMERS AND PHISHING

Scammers are always on the lookout for unsuspecting buyers or sellers. Common tactics include cancelling shipment of an item once the payment has been processed or asking to conclude the chat and payment outside of the app, where the victim is no longer protected by the buyer protection plan. This should, naturally, be avoided at all costs.

DATA MISUSE

Apps of all kinds frequently collect our data, often asking for more information than is necessary to set up an account. Data gathered in this way is then usually sold on to third parties for marketing purposes. Lately, certain apps have been under scrutiny for using spyware to track their members' activities – but all too often, the user's consent to this practice has been hidden away in the terms and conditions.

FAKES OR REPLICAS

It's certainly not unheard of for poor-quality products to be falsely marketed as luxury items, using misleading pictures or clever wording. These disingenuous sales are sometimes outed by suspiciously low price tags, but this isn't always the case. For children and young people especially, there's a risk that the promise of bagging a high-end item for a fraction of its usual price will outshine any suspicions they may have.

SLOW REFUNDS

While all apps offer a refund if the product is damaged or doesn't match the description, it can take up to a month to be compensated for this. For many people (especially during a cost-of-living crisis) that can be a long time to be without both the product you bought and the hard-earned cash you spent on it.

MISLEADING DESCRIPTION

Some people will be able to notice when, say, a product's photo and its description don't seem to match. This isn't a reliable means of picking up on misleading marketing, however – especially not for children and young people, many of whom may not yet realise that such practices even exist. While it's illegal to advertise one thing and sell another, plenty of shady traders use clever wording and omissions to get around this.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ALWAYS STAY ON THE APP

It's vital that users pay for any goods through the same app in which they found them, to ensure they are covered by buyer protection. This means users can access support if the item arrives damaged, isn't as described, or doesn't arrive at all – allowing them to seek compensation for the loss. Such regulations can't protect you, however, if you didn't do the deal through the app in question.

BE WARY OF PHISHING ATTEMPTS

Scammers frequently send messages within these apps to steal personal and financial information from other users. Don't respond to these messages – and under no circumstances should you follow any links they contain. Check for spelling errors, as well as inspecting the name of the sender. Report any suspected phishing emails to the app's help centre – and notify your bank if you think your financial information has been compromised.

CHECK REVIEWS

Take time to read the reviews and comments left by other users – not just of products, but of sellers and buyers, to ensure they're legitimate and reliable. Before buying an item online, check the reviews for comments about the product's quality, the seller's communication and the delivery time. If you're selling, check the reviews of your buyer for red flags such as frequent requests for refunds or claims of 'missing' items.

KEEP SAFE AS A SELLER

Sellers can be exploited just as much as buyers. Some users may purchase an item, for example, then pretend it didn't arrive to secure a refund. Always take photos of the shipping label, along with a picture of you posting the item. Send the package's tracking number to the buyer and keep a copy for yourself, letting you investigate any future claims that it never arrived. When taking photos of items you're selling, ensure nothing personal is in the background.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at 8CyberAware, who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



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Source: See full reference list on guide page at nationalcollege.com/guides/shopping-apps

Calendar of Events

Summer

Summer 1

Week	W/C	Events
1	15/04/24	15 th - School Re-opens
2	22/04/24	22 nd - Parents leaflets out
3	29/04/24	1st - CL5 Assembly @2:45pm
4	06/05/24	6 th - Early May Bank Holiday
5	13/05/24	KS2 SATs 15 th - Reception Assembly @2:45pm
6	20/05/24	Sports Days - TBC 23 rd - Year 6 trip to the Anderton Centre 24 th - School Closes for half-term

Summer 2

Week	W/C	Events
1	03/06/24	3 rd - School Re-opens 4/5/6 th - Year 3&4 trip
2	10/06/24	Phonics Screening Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check 12 th - CL4 assembly @2:45pm 14 th - Eid
3	17/06/24	20 th /21 st - Dog's Trust Workshops
4	24/06/24	
5	01/07/24	Assessment Week 5 th - Summer Fair
6	08/07/24	8 th - Year 6 Performance: Dress Rehearsal for school 9 th - Year 6 Performance @ 9:30am & 2pm
7	15/07/24	15 th - Reports out to parents. 16 th - Reception Graduation @2pm 17 th - Year 6 Leavers' Graduation @9:15am 18 th - Pupil of the Year @9:00am 19 th - School Closes for summer