St. James' Church of England Infant and Nursery School

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a super start to the school term—so thank you! The children are all looking super smart and there is a really positive atmosphere around school.

Meet the Teacher
The 'Meet the Teacher' event was incredibly well attended—it was lovely to see such busy classrooms and hopefully it was a useful opportunity for you to see what is happening behind the classroom doors. You will soon receive an email invitation to enable you to book a slot at the Parents Evening next month. Each appointment slot is for 10 minutes and we hope that you will all be able to attend and find out how your child has settled into the academic year. When you receive the e-mail you will get a link to book through the school app. If you have any difficulties then please do see Miss Hill or myself and we can support you with this.

Team Day
A reminder for you that on the 13th October we will be having our Team Day and all children are invited to come to school in their Team colours.

Worship Week
The last week of term is our Worship Week when we acknowledge and celebrate a range of world faiths. All children will visit at least one place of worship and we hope that as many of you as possible will join us on the Friday morning at 9am for a Family Worship event when the children will be singing and presenting the work they have done throughout Worship Week.

KS1 Trip to Nottingham Castle
On the 3rd November Key Stage 1 (Birch Class and Willow Class) will be visiting Nottingham Castle. Please complete the permission form attached and return this to school as soon as possible. All children are being asked to bring a packed lunch with them for this trip—if you have a difficulty with this then please do tell Miss Hill in the office as soon as possible.



Learn Together Time
We also have our Learn Together Time starting after the half term holiday. This is for parents of children who are currently in Reception class and some of you will receive an invitation to this. There will be four sessions initially and they will be led by Mrs. Ferguson. Look out for further information coming soon.

School Photographer
Next month will also see a visit from the school photographer. If you have younger children who do not yet attend school then you may arrive at school from 8:15am to have their photograph taken with older siblings. Please note that there will be **NO** Breakfast Club on 20th November.

Reading Books
All children including our new Reception children (Rowan Class) do now have a school reading book and reading record provided in a plastic wallet of their team colour. All children need to bring these to school every day please. If you need or want advice on how to support your child's reading at home then please ask your child's class teacher. There will also be a parents session to look at this on Wednesday 5th November at 8:45am. We would particularly encourage parents new to the school and parents with children in Reception class to join us.

We have lots to look forward to as we enter into the Autumn season and I hope to see lots of you over the coming weeks at different events.
Please do remember that if you have any worries or concerns you are always welcome to contact the school office and we will do all that we can to support you.

Kindest Regards,

Miss Luisa Pancisi

Diary Dates

Date	Time	Event
7th October	All Day	Reception Class Farm Trip
13th October		Autumn Term Team Day
16th October	1:45pm	Blossom Chat and Play
20th—24th October 20th 21st 23rd 24th	 KS1 Whole School Whole School Whole School 9am	Worship Week Cathedral Visit Celebrate Diwali Ozzy Road Visit Family Worship (All parents and carers invited)
27th—31st October	Half Term	School Closed to All Pupils
3rd November	All Day	KS1 Visit to Nottingham Castle
4th November	1:45pm	Learn Together Time (Session 1)
5th November	8:45am	Phonics and Reading Workshop for Parents
11th November	1:45pm	Learn Together Time (Session 2)
13th November	2pm—6pm	Parents Evening
14th November	2pm—6pm	Parents Evening
18th November	1:45pm	Learn Together Time (Session 3)
20th November	All Day	Individual and Class Photographs **Please note that there is NO Breakfast Club on this day.**
24th November	All Day	INSET School Closed to All Pupils
25th November	1:45pm	Learn Together Time (Session 4)
18th December	2pm	Nativity Performance
19th December	9am	Nativity Performance
19th December		Christmas Party Day
22nd December 2nd January	Christmas Holidays	School Closed to All Pupils
5th January		Day 1 of Spring Term
6th January		Celebrate Epiphany
March 5th		World Book Day