









Newsletter 25th November 2019

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So many of you have commented to us all regarding last week's car incident, and have shown your concern for our injured child, and have shared how appalled you were to hear about what had happened—thank you. Hopefully, from this week, we will start to see a much more concerted effort from everyone to keep our roads safe for the children.

Please find enclosed in this edition all the information which would have been shared with you on Friday—I'm sure you will appreciate that on Friday, I didn't want my important message lost in amongst other information.

Very best wishes,

Maria & all the team at St James'

Children in Need

Thank you for your support for this—we raised £170.40.

<u>Cinderella—whole school trip</u>

We are still waiting on the return of some children's consent slips and a payment of £15 towards the pantomime. The deadline is today. Payment can be made via cash or cheque. If you are paying by cheque, please make all cheques payable to Bedford Borough Council.

Please be aware that this is a whole school trip. Any children who are unable to go will stay at school with Ms Soulsby—we'd hate for anyone to miss out, so please make sure you return your slips and payment.

Christmas

Do you have any old Christmas decorations which you won't be using this year? If so, please donate them to us, we'll use them to decorate the school. Thank you!

New Head Teacher

Next Friday, our new Head Teacher will be Miss Nyasha—watch this space for further news!

MarvellousMe has upgraded their Parent app. This new version delivers a 30-day News Centre (the number one feature parents have been asking for!), fixes notification bugs and includes other improvements.

You may have already seen an email from MarvellousMe however, if you haven't already done so, it is **essential** that you follow the below:

- 1. Check your device is running the latest operating software.
- 2. Update the MarvellousMe app via the App Store or Google Play.

To do this, type 'MarvellousMe' into the search bar, click on the 'MarvellousMe for Parents' icon and select 'update'.

Your phone may have already updated MarvellousMe automatically in which case it will just have an 'open' button.

3. Open the MarvellousMe Parent app then

Tap 'Settings'

Toggle the 'Get device notifications' switch off and back on again. Even if it shows as 'On', you must switch it 'Off' and 'On' once. This step is particularly important to ensure you receive MarvellousMe notifications going forward and benefit from the upgrade.

Please refer to the guide attached or contact MarvellousMe directly through the 'User Guide & Help' section in the app if you need any support.

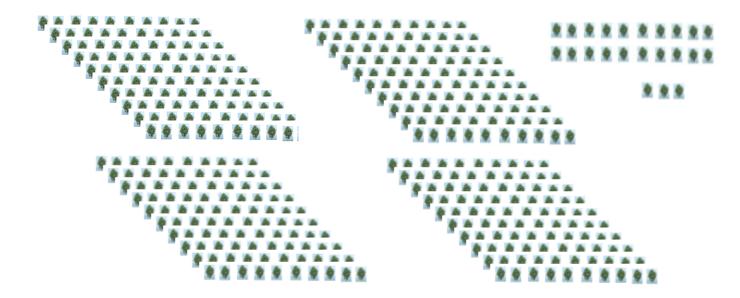
Thank you for using MarvellousMe.











JUST ONE Tree

By the end of the day on Friday, our forest had 423 trees—thank you! You can still donate: https://

www.goldengiving.com/fundraising/StJames

CHRISTMAS TREE FUNDRAISER



QUEENS CLOSE, OAKLEY, BEDFORDSHIRE, MK43 7TB (OPPOSITE OAKLEY POST OFFICE)

Book a time & date to visit the Farm. Choose your perfect tree. Take it home or tag it and take home at a later date.

Fill in a card to nominate ST JAMES' PRIMARY as your chosen school charity, and Merri Christmas Trees will donate £5 for every tree sold to the Charity Fund.



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Event	Date & Time	Class	Staff Lead	Notes
Vision Screening (Reception)	25.11.19	YR	DS	
Flu Vaccinations	28.11.19	All	DS	
Christmas Wreath making	28.11.19	All	PSA	
Head Teacher for a Day	29.11.19		MS	Details will be sent home in due course
Christmas Decoration morning	2.12.19 9.00-10.30am	All	CD	Help us get into the festive spirit!
Y2 Winter Wonderland concert	3.12.19	Y2	SP	
Y3 & 5 Music Performances	3.12.19	Y3, 5	GH, TKL	
Sports Hall Athletics	4.12.19	Y3 & 4	GH, LR	
Robins & Y1 visit to St James' Church	5.12.19	R, 1	CD, FL	See separate letter
Sports Hall Athletics	5.12.19	Y5	TKL	See separate letter
Pantomime	6.12.19	All	GH	Whole school trip, late return to school
Roald Dahl Day	11.12.19	Y2	SP	See separate letter
Christmas Jumper Day	13.12.19	All	LR	
Book Blink	13.12.19 3.00	All		Doors will close at 3.30
PSA Christmas Fair	13.12.19	All	PSA	
Christmas Bazaar	17.12.19	All	PSA	
Christmas Show	17.12.19 2.00, 4.00	YR, 1, 2	CD, FL, SP	
Christmas Service	18.12.19. 9.30am	All	LR, GH	Led by Y3,4; all invited to attend
Christmas Lunch	19.12.19	All	IL	
Carols Round the Tree	19.12.19 4.00	All	SM	
MUFTI	20.12.19	All		

Starting School September 2020

We have a number of dates available for tours of the school for prospective parents. If you know anyone who is getting ready for their child to start school next September, please do encourage them to contact us and book a tour of the school. We also offer tours for families in other year groups. Unlike many other schools, our tours do not take place on one-off Open Days, so offer an opportunity to see life in action at St James' on a 'normal' school day.