

Whitfield St James' CE (VC) Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Woodward Head of School: Mr Ford



Date: 05/12/2025

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Good afternoon,

Can you believe it is already December? School is beginning to feel extremely 'Christmassy' and it has been lovely hearing the Christmas carols being sung and seeing the Christmas performances being rehearsed. The children have continued to impress us this week with their attitude to learning!

Mr Woodward and Mr Ford

Notices

Car Parking

Please continue to be careful when parking on the roads around our school, please watch out for children crossing and residents drop curbs. Please do not use Chadwick Street unless you have a 'Blue Badge' and, where possible, only park in disabled bays as this ensures that the children have a safe walk into school.

Silver Cord donations

Thank you so much for your kind donations to the Silver Cord Christmas Day Project 2025. Your donations will impact so many people over the festive period. Thank you!

Winter Fair

Thank you again for coming out and supporting our Winter Fair this year, it was a sell out and we raised an impressive £1400 which will go towards our ongoing iPad fund as well as supporting trips/classroom enhancements and other exciting plans.

Mettrick's Butchers

Our Head Pupils got the opportunity to visit Mettrick's butchers on Victoria Street, on Wednesday, to see how sausages are made. They were even able to make some sausages too! Our Head Pupils represented to school brilliantly and were a real asset to our school.

Basketball

Our basketball time did really well at the competition on Thursday. We won 2 matches and the team performed brilliantly. Thank you to Mr Hannan for organising.

School Plays

Our school plays/performances are next week! You should have received your **two tickets** today. Due to hall capacity, we can only allocate two tickets to each child. If you require more, if people return tickets, we will allocate them on a first come first serve basis. Please go to the office to write your name down and how many additional tickets you require.

We plan to record the performances and, where possible, share them securely via



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the school website. However, please note that on occasion, technical issues mean this may not be possible – We will try our best though!

Performance dates and times:

Snowdrops – Tuesday 9th December 2:00pm Daffodils and Buttercups class – Wednesday 10th December 2:00pm Daisy and Honeysuckle class – Thursday 11th December 2:00pm

Upcoming dates for the diary

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06.12.25	PTA Story with Santa and Breakfast event	
07.12.25	School Choir performing at Distant Hills Brewery at 2pm	
09.12.25	Nursery performance 2pm	
10.12.25	Daffodil/Buttercups performance 2pm	
11.12.25	Daisy/Honeysuckle performance 2pm	

UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please be aware that these dates may change. We will keep you updated via text or Class Dojo if they do change.

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15.12.25-19.12.25	Christmas Party Week (Please see class dojo for more
15.12.25	information)
	Winter music concert
17.12.25	Christmas Service
	Christmas dinner day
19.12.25	Christmas jumper day and last day
20.12.25-04.01.26	CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS
05.01.26	Children's first day back at school
03.02.26	PTA Movie Night
09.02.26-12.02.26	Children's mental health week
10.02.26	Safer Internet Day
13.02.26	INSET
14.02.26-22.02.26	HALF TERM



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23.02.26	Children's first day back
02.03.26-06.03.26	Book Week – 06.03.26 World Book Day
06.03.26	PTA Wonka Bar
17.03.26	Parents' Evening 1
19.03.26	Parents' Evening 2
20.03.26	Red Nose Day
25.03.26	Easter Service
27.03.26	INSET Day
28.03.26-12.04.26	EASTER HOLIDAYS
13.04.26	Children's first day back
22.04.26	Spring music concert in church (provisional date)
01.05.25	PTA non-uniform day – children's tombola/gifts
04.05.26	Bank Holiday
11.05.26-14.05.26	SATs week
19.05.26	PTA Disco
22.05.26	INSET Day
23.05.26-31.05.26	HALF TERM
01.06.26	Children's first day back
09.06.26	PTA Scoot and Skate KS2
12.06.26	PTA non-uniform day – TBC
16.06.25	PTA Scoot and Skate EYFS/KS1
17.06.26-19.06.26	Y6 Residential
22.06.26	Sports Day Nursery 9:15/R-Y2 10:30/KS2 1pm
26.06.26	PTA non-uniform day - Bottles
	PTA summer fair
03.07.26	Transition day
08.07.26	Summer music concert in school (provisional date)
14.07.26	Y6 Leavers' play 2pm/6pm
16.07.26	Y6 Leavers' party
23.07.26	Y6 Leavers' assembly to parents 2:30pm
	Last day