

Date: 23/01/2026

Newsletter

Good afternoon,

We have had a lovely week in school, the children have continued to work extremely hard and learning lots. It has been brilliant to see their enthusiasm and focus and their positive attitude towards their learning.

Mr Woodward and Mr Ford

Notices

Sports hall Athletics

This week Mr Hannan took a group of Year 6 children to the sports hall athletics competition. The children competed with enthusiasm across the range of events, supporting and encouraging one another throughout. Their hard work paid off, as they finished third place! The team should be extremely proud of their achievement and the positive way they represented the school.

National Year of Reading – Book hunt

The book hunt started this week! It has been brilliant to hear from the children who have found the books and to learn that they have already been read and hidden again. I wonder how many children in our school and across Glossop will end up reading them? We are also featured in the *Glossop Chronicle* this week.

TTRockstars/Number Day

Next Friday is TTRockstars/Number Day! Children are invited to come to school wearing TTRockstars clothing (they may dress as their TTRockstars character if they have one), rock star-style clothing, or anything with numbers on it — such as number-themed clothes or even homemade designs (Google has lots of ideas too!)

We are also going to be competing against other Glossop schools in the “Battle of the Glossop Schools”, where children will have two weeks (from 30th January - 13th February) to achieve as many correct answers as possible. This includes questions answered both in school and at home.

PTA events

Your child should have brought home a letter for the Movie Night on Tuesday 3rd February. If you need a letter please go to the office. All slips to be returned by Friday 30th January.

Nursery places

Just a reminder we have some Nursery places available. If you know someone whose child is over 3 years old, encourage them to come and have a look at our brilliant Nursery and pick up a new starter form.

Social Media

Did you know we're on social media? You can follow us on **Facebook (Whitfield St**

James' CE Primary School), Instagram (wsjprimary) and X (schoolwsj) to keep up to date with news, events and celebrations from across our school and local community. We use our social media platform as a 'window' into school life and not as a communication method (please continue to use Class Dojo) We'd love for you to **follow, like and share our posts** to help spread the word.

Upcoming dates for the diary

30.01.26	TTRockstars/Number Day
03.02.26	PTA Movie Night

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.

Date	Event
30.01.26	TTRockstars/Number Day
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
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

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Headteacher: Mr Woodward **Head of School:** Mr Ford

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