

# EC St James' News

January 2018



## Happy New Year!

Welcome back to school everyone! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas holiday.

## Maggie's Centre!

A **BIG** thank you to you all for your generous donations for the Maggie's Centre in Oldham. By coming to school in our pyjamas, we raised the fantastic amount of £292.20. Well done to everyone!

## After School Clubs

After school clubs this half term are as follows:

Tuesdays	Yrs 4, 5 & 6 Multi-Sports
Tuesdays	Rec, Yrs 1, 2, & 3 Football
Wednesdays	Yrs 4, 5 & 6 Netball
Wednesdays	Rec & Yrs 1, 2, & 3 Multi-Sports
Thursdays	Yrs 1-6 – Anna's Dance
Fridays	Yrs 2-6 Chess

**The clubs will run until the half term holidays.**

## Holiday Sports Club

Adam Young is running another holiday sports club during February half term. Letters were sent home last week but if you need a copy you can download one from our website –

[www.st-james.oldham.sch.uk](http://www.st-james.oldham.sch.uk)

## Special Assemblies

You are all welcome to join us on Fridays for our special assemblies at 8.50am each week. During these assemblies, children will receive special awards for their achievements that week. If your child is going to receive a Head Teacher's award you will also be notified by text message the day before.

## Letters to Parents

If you have mislaid any letters or if you think you may have missed any please check on our school website - [www.st-james.oldham.sch.uk](http://www.st-james.oldham.sch.uk). You'll find our letters under Office – Letters to Parents.

## Change to Rec Class Assembly

Reception class assembly will now be on **Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> February at 2.30pm** instead of Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> February.

## Additional Music Tuition

Additional places available (KS2 children) for flute, clarinet & saxophone lessons. If your child is interested in beginning music lessons, please contact Mrs Whybrow or Mrs Peacock for further details.

## Outdoor PE

This term Years 1-6 will continue outdoor PE lessons with our PE coach Adam Young (weather permitting). Therefore, please could you provide a pair of plain navy tracksuit bottoms and a pair of old trainers along with their indoor PE kit. These will be kept in school in your child's PE kit bag. Please send these items (with your child's name on) into school as soon as possible.

## Dress Code Reminder

Please could we remind pupils of the following:-  
Small stud earrings only  
No nail varnish  
Shoulder-length hair tied back  
School shoes only – no trainers or boots & wellies for playing out in the snow  
Please may we remind you to put your child's name in all school uniform including PE/games kits and footwear. **Please note: we have a lost property bin in KS1 cloakroom area.**

## Absence Guidelines

If your child is absent please telephone school on the first day and follow their absence up with a **letter or note in their KS2 planner** on their return to school. It is essential you follow these guidelines as failure to do so could result in your child receiving an **unauthorised** absence. If you think you may have forgotten to send a follow-up absence letter please contact the school office.

**Diary dates up to the Easter holidays are on the reverse of this newsletter**

## **DIARY DATES – Before Half Term**

**Wk Com Mon 8<sup>th</sup> Jan** – After School Clubs start until the half term holiday  
**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y1 trip setting off at 8.30am  
**Tues 16<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y3 trip setting off at 9am  
**Wed 17<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y2 trip setting off at 8.30am  
**Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y5 trip setting off at 8.30am  
**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan** – Y2 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Mon 29<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y1 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Tues 30<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y6 Rivers & Water drama workshop  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Friends Group meeting – 8.50-10am in school.  
**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Pancake flip – letter to follow  
**Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** – School closes at 3pm for the half term holidays  
**Wk Com Mon 12<sup>th</sup>-Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Holiday Sports Club – places still available – please contact the school office or download the letter from our website

## **DIARY DATES – After Half Term**

**Wk Com Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb** – School re-opens  
**Wk Com Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb** – After school clubs start this week.  
**Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Reception class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Reception class trip to Smithills (letter to follow)  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Friends group meeting – 8.50-10am in school (**tbc**)  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Y6 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Mon 5<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Parents evening (letter to follow)  
**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Parents evening (letter to follow)  
**Wed 7<sup>th</sup> Mar** – No Netball (Yrs 4, 5 & 6) & Multi-Sports (Rec, Yrs 1, 2 & 3 due to Parents evening)  
**Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Y2 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Y5 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**Wk Com – 26<sup>th</sup> Mar** – No After School Clubs this week  
**Tues 27<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Y2 – Linking Project - Easter egg hunt at Burnley Brow  
**Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Easter Service in School – 1.45-2.45pm – You are all welcome to join us  
**Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Mar** – School closes at 3pm for the Easter holidays and re-opens on Mon 16<sup>th</sup> April.  
  
**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Apr** – Y4 class assembly – 2.30-3pm  
**(Further class assemblies will be on our next newsletter)**