



## St James' C of E Infant and Nursery School

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*"Choose the right path"*

### Governors' Newsletter Easter 2023

What a term it has been for St James'. The children (and staff) have been very busy, from celebrating World Book Day and making Easter crafts to taking part in Bikeability lessons and enjoying visits from the police, fire department and blood bikes. Anna Jones from St James' Church has been working with the children this week to make Easter gardens, and as always her support is very appreciated, as she provides a link to our local church and helps the children learn and demonstrate our Christian Values.

Encouraging a love of reading continues to be a priority for the school this year. The library has been given a makeover and lots of children have received certificates for reading at home. Between those and the Headteacher Award, Learner of the Week and Spelling certificates, the children have a lot to celebrate and be proud of.

It's fantastic to see that the children have so many opportunities to learn and grow, both inside and outside the classroom, including the chance to get up on stage. A big well done goes to all the children who took part in U-Dance and The Big Sing 2023. The confidence and creativity shone throughout the fabulous performances, and the children worked hard to learn their parts. Thank you very much to all the staff who helped make this happen.

#### **Nursery Opening**

We are delighted that the nursery has finally opened its doors. Planning and building the new nursery has been several years in the making, and it's fantastic to see this vision come to life.

This space is such an asset to the school and gives children in Early Years more space and better facilities. The children look like they have been making the most of it and enjoying their new classroom.

Parents have been invited to attend an open afternoon at the nursery this month, where you will have the opportunity to see where your child spends their days and see all the exciting new learning resources that are available to them.

#### **Changes to the Governing Body**

Sadly, two member of the Governing Body have recently stepped down. We would like to thank Mrs Tracey Stamper and Mrs Gay Frankland for all the time and support they have given to the school over the years and wish them both all the best.

This opened up some vacancies, and we give a warm welcome to three new Governors; Stephanie Hetherington and Katie Kinrade will be joining us as Co-opted Governors and Katie Hawksworth will be an Associate Member. All three have children at the school and all have a wealth of experience in the education sector. We look forward to meeting them at our next Governor meeting in May.

#### **Happy Easter**

The Governors would like to thank you all for your support throughout the term and hope that you enjoyed the Easter break.

### St James' C of E Infant and Nursery School Governing Body

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Mrs K Skelton  
Mr B O'Kane  
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Mrs A Jones  
Mrs A Moore  
Miss S Sapsed

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