



# St. James' C.E. Primary School

## Vision Statement

Guided by our Christian Values, we endeavour to inspire, cherish and serve our school community. We strive to be exceptional in all we do. We will nurture a love of all God's children. We seek to build respect for all faiths and beliefs.



## Friday 2nd October 2020

## Mission Statement

Together we value, inspire and develop each other within a happy, safe community based on Christian values and respect for other faiths.



*'Show respect to everyone' (Peter 1 2.17)*

Dear Parents and Children,

We hope that you are all well during this very challenging time in everyone's lives. It is hard to believe that we are over half way through this half term. It has been a successful start to our academic year with the children adapting well to the new routines and hygiene procedures. It is vital that we all continue to adhere to social distancing at all times to ensure everyone's safety.

## World Mental Health Day

### Wear something yellow - Friday 9th October 2020

To recognise World Mental Health Day on Saturday 10th October, we will be focusing on Mental Health Activities on Friday 9th October in the afternoon. This will include activities to help children recognise feelings, know where to seek help if needed and to raise awareness of how to look after well-being. To promote this, we are asking children and staff to wear an item of yellow clothing such as a yellow t-shirt, yellow hair bobble, yellow socks etc. Please try to find something from home - do not purchase especially. We will have yellow ribbon for those without yellow clothes. This is not a dress down day (No Superhero Outfits).



## Harvest donations

Thank you for all your donations to the school harvest collection which will be divided between to Al-Imdaad Foundation UK and Blackburn foodbank. Food banks rely on your goodwill and support. Over 90% of the food distributed by food banks is donated by the public – that's why your food donations are absolutely vital to their ability to give everyone referred to them a balanced and nutritious three day supply of food. Without your goodwill, food banks would really struggle to operate.



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## Coronavirus—COVID-19

### Testing

If you suspect that your child or anyone in your household may be showing symptoms of the virus, please do not bring your child into school and book a test immediately using the link below. It is essential that you are tested and the school are informed of any symptoms and test results as soon as possible.

<https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test/what-is-your-name>

For guidance on what to do if you have any concerns about the coronavirus—[click here](#)

What to do if...	Action needed	Back to school...
 <b>...my child has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<b>...when child's test comes back negative and child is well enough</b>
 <b>...my child tests positive for COVID-19 (coronavirus)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Child self-isolates for at least 10 days from when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms)</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates for 14 days from day when symptoms* started (or from day of test if no symptoms) - even if someone tests negative during those 14 days</li> </ul>	<b>...when child feels better, and has been without a fever for at least 48 hours</b>  They can return to school after 10 days even if they have a cough or loss of smell / taste. These symptoms can last for several weeks once the infection is gone.
 <b>...somebody in my household has COVID-19 (coronavirus) symptoms*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child shouldn't attend school</li> <li>Household member with symptoms should get a test</li> <li>Whole household self-isolates while waiting for test result</li> <li>Inform school immediately about test results</li> </ul>	<b>...when household member test is negative, and child does not have COVID-19 symptoms*</b>

## Medical Information

A reminder for all medical information to be shared with the school office, if you have not already. Please ensure that your child has been sent to school with the correct medicines and that all in in date.

Children with asthma must have a spacer available to them in school.

If a new medical issue needs to be reported to school, please collect a form from the office.

## Safeguarding

As ever, we take the safety of the pupils at St James' very seriously. As staff, we are vigilant and have strict processes in place for the children arriving and leaving school. All staff give reminders that children are not to talk to or go anywhere with strangers. Please talk to your children to reinforce this important message.

At St James' the safety of your child/family is of the upmost importance.

If you have any safeguarding concerns contact Mrs Rehman or Miss Moore on **01254 698335** during school hours or Children's Services on **01254 666400** after 3:30pm.

## Worship and reflection

Reflection:

Dear God,

At this time, we ask you to protect all those people who are struggling with mental health issues.

Guide them to seek support and know that they are not alone. May you give them strength and courage to speak out.

