



## WELCOME

It is so lovely to see school return to some sort of normality. We would like to welcome you all back but particularly welcome all our new children and families.

We hope you had a wonderful summer and managed to spend some quality time with family and friends.

## BUILDING WORK

Extensive renovations to our school commenced over the Summer Holidays. We are very excited by the plans to build a new KS1 area and renovate the KS2 building. All the work has been planned in order to keep disruptions to school life to a minimum. We will keep you updated as the work progresses.

## JIMMYS

If you require a place in Jimmys for this half-term, please complete the booking form for the period 2 September 2021 to 21 October 2021. Forms are available from both Jimmys and the School Office.

Places at Jimmys **MUST** be paid for in advance. Cancellations notified after 4.00pm the day before a booking and non-attendance will be charged. Jimmys can be contacted **during club hours** on: 07864 352507 or by email: [jimmys@st-james.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:jimmys@st-james.lancs.sch.uk)

## PE KIT—SEPTEMBER 2021

Last year, as a result of COVID-19, pupils wore their PE kit to school on PE days. Due to the success of this initiative, this will continue during this academic year. Our PE uniform is as follows:

White T-Shirt/Polo Shirt

Navy Blue Shorts

Navy Blue Jogging Bottoms/Leggings

This should be worn with the school jumper or cardigan.

Class teachers will inform you of your child's PE day,



### DATES FOR THE DIARY



## SCHOOL MEALS

Our kitchen provides a varied selection of healthy meals on a daily basis. Meals are free for pupils in Reception to Year 2; the cost for pupils in Years 3 and above is £2.35 per day, £11.75 per week and £84.60 to October half-term. Meals must be paid for in advance, either by cash or cheque at the School Office or online to the following account:

NATWEST Bank

Account Number: 22748059

Sort Code: 01-02-14

Please put your child's name as the reference.

The weekly menu is displayed on the office window and on our Facebook page. Due to temporary issues with catering deliveries, there may be some short notice amendments to the published menu. We will attempt to advise you of any changes.

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES

Please find attached the list of school holiday dates. Although we understand that it is tempting, particularly after the last 18 months' restrictions, to take holidays during school term, we are unable to authorise any absences due to holidays. The only exceptions to this are absences on compassionate grounds or due to work commitments. If you are only able to take holiday during term time due to work commitments, we require a supporting letter from your employer.

Given the disruption of the last 18 months, school attendance is now more important than ever.

## PG RATED FILMS

In support of the curriculum, teachers occasionally wish to show PG rated films in class. If you do not wish your child to watch any PG rated films, please inform your child's class teacher in writing.

## HEALTHY SCHOOL

We are a 'Healthy School' and promote healthy eating. Pupils in KS1 receive free fruit at their morning break, KS2 pupils may bring some fruit for break time. All pupils should bring a named water bottle; this should contain water not fruit juice or fizzy drinks.



## NEW SCHOOL WEBSITE

We have a new school website:

[www.stjames-clitheroe.co.uk](http://www.stjames-clitheroe.co.uk)

The site contains lots of information regarding school. In addition to the statutory information, class pages will keep you up to date with what your children are doing in school.

## COVID-19

Although the majority of COVID-19 restrictions have been removed for the new academic year. We would still be grateful for your assistance in ensuring that our pupils and staff remain safe.

Children are no longer kept in bubbles, we do not have staggered start/finish and break times and there is no longer a one way system around school.

The wearing of masks is no longer compulsory; the decision to wear a mask is left to the individual.

School has completed a COVID Risk Assessment to ensure that our children and staff are as 'COVID' safe as possible.

We continue to promote hand hygiene and have continued to provide extra cleaning to reduce the chance of infection.

If your child or a member of your family are ill with COVID symptoms, please ensure that all family members have a PCR test. LFT tests should only be used for routine testing, NOT to confirm symptomatic cases.

Pupils should not bring items from home other than a named water bottle and a packed lunch, if required. They do NOT need to bring a bag to school.

All our protocols will be reviewed on a weekly basis; please ensure that you check your texts and emails on a regular basis for any updates.

