



## Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the spring term! I do hope you and your families had a lovely Christmas break. The children have settled back in wonderfully well and we are all looking forward to the term ahead. One of our first big events is Young Voices, where our choir will be performing at the O2 in London; I did this for the first time last year and can honestly say it is one of the best events I have been involved in. The opportunity for the children to sing as part of a mass choir in such an iconic venue really is a memorable moment and we hope that this becomes an annual fixture for us.

Now that we have been back a term, we will be conducting assessments with most of the children in the coming weeks, with year 6 taking tests next week and years 2 to 5 completing assessments the following week. We will share information about your child's progress at our next parents' evenings on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Have a lovely weekend.

## Top Readers

Here are the top readers in each class for this week.

3F Delilah B	5P Helena J
3H Travis B	5T Matilda C
4E Anya M	6BR Imogen H
4R Manuel A	6W James D

## New menu

We have a new menu for our meals which you can find on our website. Please note that there is a change for next week with the 'normal' Friday menu being offered on Thursday – you can see the menu on the last page of this newsletter.

## Dog mess

I have been asked to mention about parents clearing up after their dogs in the area around the school; it would be lovely if we could keep it tidy.

## Lost Property

We've had an increase in lost property recently – it's really helpful if you can add your child's names into their clothes so that we can return items to their rightful owners.

### **Dates for your calendar**

w/b Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January: Year 6 tests.

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January: Reception space night! See Tapestry or reception class teachers for further information.

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January: Clubs for spring term allocated on Arbor.

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January: Young Voices trip

w/b Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January: Clubs start

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January: U9 girls football

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January: reception alien day! See Tapestry or reception class teachers for further information.

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January: Yr5/6 football league fixture

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January: Yr 5/6 Bee netball at St Luke's

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February: Intra school competition

w/b Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February: Half term

### **From Exeter Library**

Exeter Library are thrilled to announce the launch of our **Pop-Up Children's Library in Princesshay, opening Saturday, 25th January!**

While essential roof work takes place at our main building, the pop-up will be your go-to spot for **children's books, events, and activities**. Family favourites like **Bounce & Rhyme, Lego Club, Storytime, and Stay & Play** will continue in this exciting new location.

We can't wait to welcome you and your little ones to our vibrant new space. Stay tuned for more updates, and be sure to visit us soon!

Please see the attached leaflet for more information.

### **Bee Netball for Years 5 and 6**

St James school are working with Active Devon to host Bee Netball training for Yr5 / 6 via their community entrance on the Tennis Courts. Taking place on a Friday afternoon, between 4 and 5pm, it sounds like a fantastic opportunity. There is a flyer overleaf and the link to signup is below. Places are offered on a first come, first served basis so get in quick!

Here is the link - <https://forms.gle/39zWAXLxt6jXtAUQ9>

# COME & TRY *Netball*



**TERM TIME FRIDAY 4-5PM**

**ST JAMES SCHOOL**

IN YEAR 5 OR 6?

ARE YOU LOOKING TO LEARN A NEW SKILL, GET TO KNOW OUR  
SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT AND MEET NEW PEOPLE?

THEN JOIN US EACH FRIDAY FOR BEE NETBALL

ST JAMES TENNIS COURTS VIA THE COMMUNITY ENTRANCE

*Ready. Net. Go!*



**SIGN UP**



**FIRST SESSION TO START FRIDAY JANUARY 24TH 2025**

## Weekly menu – Week 2

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>Main Meal</b>	<b>Main Meal</b>	<b>Main Meal</b>	<b>Main Meal</b>	<b>Main Meal</b>
Chicken Fajita Wrap with Steamed Rice and Sweetcorn	Beef and Sweet Potato Sloppy Joe with Root Slaw	Roast with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Chicken Chunks with Chips and Peas	Dartmoor Sausage Pasta Bake with Garlic Focaccia Bread and Salad Sticks
<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>	<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>	<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>	<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>	<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>
Stir Fried Vegetable Noodles with Naan Bread and Sweetcorn	Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges and Salad Sticks	Cheddar Cheese and Potato Pie with Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables and Gravy	Vegetable Sausage Roll with Chips and Peas	Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Focaccia Bread and Salad
<b>Jacket Potato</b>	<b>Jacket Potato</b>	<b>Jacket Potato</b>	<b>Jacket Potato</b>	<b>Jacket Potato</b>
Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo	Cheese, Beans or Tuna Mayo
<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Dessert</b>	<b>Dessert</b>
Chocolate Shortbread	Ice Cream	Carrot Cake	Lemon Drizzle Muffin	Jelly with Fruit