

Dear Family,

My name is Isabel and I am in Year 6. I am so happy that you chose St James's school, I know that you won't regret it. You probably have lots of questions in your head at the moment about what goes on in our school. Below, I have tried to explain some of the main things that happen at St James's.

There will be some wonderful trips your child will attend with their different classes, such as: Kingswood, Cadbury World, The Safari Park and The Black Country Museum. The majority of the trips connect to their learning and some of them are just for fun. Kingswood is a place where they stay over for one night in reception and take part in lots of different types of activities.

Also at St James's we can take part in lots of clubs after school. These clubs include: Ace Coaching which is mix sports, dance with a brill teacher called Jenny, choir, and jam club which is where you learn about the bible and do crafts. There is something for everyone!

One thing you may be worried about is what happens on the playground and at lunchtime. There is nothing to worry about because there are year 5 children, known as Peer Supporters, who go out on lunchtimes and play with all of the reception children, ensuring nobody is left out. Also there are lots of toys and equipment to play with too: hula-hoops, balls, scooters, dressing up clothes, there is also an amazing climbing frame.

As well as the normal lessons you expect to do in school, St James's put on lots of extra things to do in the school day. We do Forest School, cooking, sports specialists come in, golden time (when we can choose what we want to do), and we have lots and lots of visitors who come into the school to show us things.

At St James's we have eight main values that we all work towards, and if a teacher sees us doing them we get a letter home and a sticker. The values are: Kindness, Perseverance, Respect, Friendship, Responsibility and Honesty, our two new values are Courage and Forgiveness. Hopefully your child will get a sticker very soon.

My time at St James's has been the best! I will never ever forget my time at this wonderful and friendly school. I know your child will enjoy it as much as I have too.

Yours faithfully,

Isabel