

22nd April 2016

Dear Parents

New Additional Computer Club – Year 4

We are pleased to inform you of a new computing club which will begin this term for Year 4 pupils. This is being run by an external provider, who is known to us, supported by Mr Kenny.

The aim of the club is to help children understand and explore the skills used in computational thinking. The skills and approaches the children will be taught are useful in many areas of creativity as well as helping children grasp the fundamental concepts of computing.

The pupils will work collaboratively using a board game that requires logical thinking, perseverance and ‘tinkering’ to help them make decisions to solve a complex problem. Using their computational thinking skills the pupils will create their own game. The club will run for eight weeks during term time. Each session builds upon the previous week’s learning and a commitment to attend all sessions is expected. The club will run every Tuesday after school from 3.45 to 4.45 pm in Class 4.2. The first session will take place on Tuesday 3rd May. The children should be collected promptly from the outside door to the classroom at 4.45 pm.

Please note that this is a new after school club and is **not** a replacement for the Year 4 ICT club that runs every Monday morning. The morning club will continue to run as normal in the ICT suite. Please note that many Year 4 pupils have already expressed an interest in attending the club. Please ensure the acceptance slips are returned by Wednesday 27th April. The club will be limited to 20 pupils and if over-subscribed places will be allocated by lot.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S C Beck
Headteacher

St James the Great RC Primary & Nursery School

Year 4 Computer Club

Child’s Name: Name:

I would like my child to join the Computer Club for Year 4 and confirm my child will attend all 8 sessions.

Signed: (Parent/Guardian)