



St James and St John Church of England **Primary School** **Our Daily Rhythm 2026-2027**



Our Daily Rhythm

"Our daily rhythm provides children with consistency, security and a sense of belonging. Through carefully planned routines, meaningful experiences and high-quality interactions, every day offers opportunities to build knowledge, develop skills and nurture confident, curious learners. Whilst the order of our day may vary to meet the needs of our children, these experiences remain at the heart of every day in Reception."

 <u>Read</u> We share high-quality stories every day to foster a love of reading, develop vocabulary and inspire learning across the curriculum.	 <u>Talk</u> Children develop communication and language through rich conversations, ambitious vocabulary, storytelling, Helicopter Stories and Drawing Club, enabling them to express their ideas with growing confidence.	 <u>Read and Write</u> Daily Read Write Inc. Phonics, shared reading and meaningful writing opportunities help children apply their phonics knowledge in purposeful contexts.
 <u>Build Strong Foundations for Writing</u> Children develop the physical foundations for writing through Dough Disco, Scarf Dancing, fine motor activities, finger gym and carefully sequenced pre-writing experiences.	 <u>Move</u> Daily opportunities for outdoor learning, PE, balance bikes and active play develop children's core strength, shoulder stability, balance, coordination and overall physical confidence.	 <u>Think Mathematically</u> Children explore mathematics through practical experiences, mathematical talk, games and investigations, developing fluency, reasoning and problem-solving.
 <u>Explore and Create</u> Purposeful play, continuous provision, creative experiences and first-hand learning enable children to investigate, imagine, create and apply new knowledge independently.	 <u>Sing</u> Songs, rhymes and poems are woven throughout every day to develop language, memory, rhythm and phonological awareness, whilst fostering a love of music.	 <u>Reflect Together</u> When we are getting ready to learn or at the end of each day, we come together to share our Song of the Year. This special class tradition provides a calm moment to reflect on our learning, celebrate our achievements and strengthen our sense of belonging within our classroom community. Our Song of the Year 2026–2027: A Million Dreams (The Greatest Showman)

Flourish

Everything we do is underpinned by warm relationships, high expectations, inclusive practice and a belief that every child can flourish academically, socially, emotionally, spiritually and physically.