



Spring Term 2023.

Friday 24th February 2023

St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 21

Our Vision is:

Within our community we strive to develop **deep roots**, **strong growth** and **freedom to flourish** as a unique and whole child of God.



Deep Roots



Strong Growth



Freedom to Flourish

Our vision is linked to Matthew 13 - The Parable of the Sower - '... but the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it.produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown.'

Our Values are Kindness and Respect:

Responsibility : Autumn 1

Spring 1: Perseverance

Summer 1: Courage

Friendship : Autumn 2

Spring 2 : Trust

Summer 2: Positivity



A message from Mrs Everard

Welcome back to Spring term 2, the time is certainly flying by! This week began with us all coming together for our Ash Wednesday Service. We were invited to the congregation's service and it was lovely to join them in celebrating this important event as well as learning the meaning of the service and the traditions. thank you so much if you attended our service - it was so lovely to see you join us and be a part of our school worship. The children and staff were also given the opportunity to receive the ashes, as a sign of the cross if they wished to. We are continually thankful for our close links with the church and for Reverend Ian's presence in and around school.

Our special prayer this week is:

Dear Heavenly Father,

As we prepare for Lent, help us be thankful for what we have achieved. Help us to consider how we can repent and make better choices. Help us reflect during lent and together as a community we see you as the light to guide us and be with us. We ask for your help in helping us show trust to others.

Amen



We are now in the period of Lent and in our worship, we will be exploring this further by understanding what this period means to Christians, how they prepare themselves for Easter . Lent in the Christian religion, is the 40 days before Easter and is a time when many people decide to give something up, alternatively some Christians might decide to take something up, e.g., undertaking a kind deed for others, looking after a plant, animal or family member etc . We have also started our new value this term which is Trust. This will link in with what trust means, how you can show trust in our

actions and words and we will also relate it back to our values of responsibility and respect and in how we trust you to make the right choices.

WORLD BOOK DAY®

Next week we will be celebrating - all things books, poetry, stories and the joy we get from reading, listening to stories and texts. You will have received a letter explaining all the events and activities that Mrs Oliveri and Mrs Loizou have planned alongside the class teachers. I am sure it will be a fun -filled week, ending with our pyjama day on Friday - where we will share storytime together.

God Bless

Mrs Everard and all the staff



Celebration Worship



This week our superstars are:

Reception Class	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
Avram & Mahmoud	Boaz & Dorea	Elizya & Joela	Dzhesur & Marcos
Avram: for settling ion so well to school Mahmoud: for excellent listening and progress in reading and writing.	Boaz & Dorea : for showing a huge improvement in their learning behaviour and for trying hard to achieve success.	Elizya & Joela: for a fantastic effort with our new skills in reading comprehension.	Dzhesur & Marcos: for their amazing effort and improvement in writing.
Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	
Katie & Tatjana	Mayson & Savannah	Chigozie & Naomi	
Katie & Tatjana: for showing our value of trust in their actions and words in all aspects of school life.	Mayson: for showing responsibility in church and being an excellent role model for the younger children. Savannah: for demonstrating our values of trust and responsibility during her science group work.	Chigozie: for showing a much-improved focus during our lessons and especially for his work ion science. Naomi: for hard work in all lessons! As well as being a Spanish champion in our lesson.	
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!			



 Well done!

**Dates for your Diary****Wk Beginning 27th February**

Book week events
pyjama day Friday 3rd March 2023

RE Week**Week Beginning 27th March 2023**

Further details to follow

Thursday 30th March

Holy Week Service at St James' Church
9.10am

Monday 17th April 2023

INSET DAY

Back to School

Tuesday 18th April 2023
at 8.40am

Diary Dates

<u>Mon 27th Feb</u>	Yr2 and Yr3 - Song sack project in school - singing workshop Yr5 learning how to play Ukuleles in school as part of their music curriculum Netball Club Yr4/5/6 until 4.15pm
<u>Tues 28th Feb</u>	Netball match at Lea Valley <i>(If your child is attending they will have received a letter)</i>
<u>Wed 1st March</u>	Yr6 School Trip to -Imperial War Museum
<u>Thurs 2nd March</u>	SCHOOL OPEN AS USUAL - WE ARE NOT AFFECTED BY STRIKE ACTION BY NEU KS2 Girls Football
<u>Fri 3rd March</u>	Yr5/6 Boys Football Club till 4.15pm Yr4/5/6 Girls Netball club till 4.15pm Pyjamas , book and teddy dress up day for Book Week



ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Our winning class this week is: Year 5

YR	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
87%	87%	89%	86%	93%	94%	90%

Unfortunately, we have had a lot of sickness recently but please do try to send your child to school if they are well enough, as attendance at school is essential to their progress and enjoyment of learning.



#schooleveryday

Attend Today, Achieve Tomorrow

Spring Term 2023.



Congratulations to:
Royale, Safiya, Rhoda, Elliott, Tobi,
Megan, Rosie

On achieving their Pen Licence in class!

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Weekly winners

1st Place: Attenborough
2nd Place: Thomas Edison
3rd Place: Ronaldo
4th Place: Fergus Sharkey



This week's
winners are Yr3

Timestable
Doodlers! Yr4



SCHOLASTIC
BOOK FAIR

Thank you so much for supporting us with the book fair - we are awaiting our final amount raised but you will have helped us refresh our library.



friday treats

The Friends of St James' have so far raised £84 - in the last 3 weeks - thank you for supporting them and us!



Do you have empty food containers? that could be used in our reception class home area? – We would like to have food packages in the kitchen that you have at home, so it models a real kitchen cupboard. We are looking for jars, packages that reflect what the children have in their own home. If so, please bring it along to reception class – Mrs Hutchinson will be very grateful.



GARDENING HELP



We are looking to improve our outside garden areas – with plants, large pots, containers, bird feeders etc. Do you have anything in your garden that you no longer need, or that you are happy to donate? Are you an avid gardener, willing to offer some time? If so, please contact the office or find me on the gate. Thank you.

Extra Information

Yr5 Parents -

The Latymer School - Open Evening

The Latymer School and its board of governors are very keen to promote The Latymer Grammar School to our local children in Enfield. Our outreach working with several local primary schools includes familiarisation visits for children that are thinking of applying, mentoring and subject visits in the summer term.

This year our Open Evening is on **Thursday 27 April 2023**. Please encourage your children to come and see the school and registration for the entrance tests opens on **3 May 2023** and closes on **16 June 2023**



Music Lessons for the summer Term via Enfield Music Service can be booked- here is the link if you are interested:
<https://traded.enfield.gov.uk/musicservice/lessonsstore>

We're taking part in the



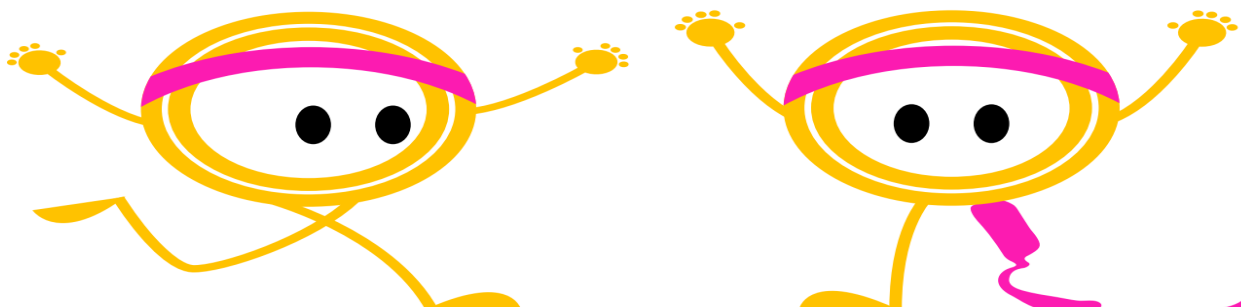
On Saturday 22nd April 2023 up to 100 St James pupils can represent the school in the London Schools Mini Marathon. The Mini Marathon will consist of a 1 mile or 6km run, wheel, jog or walk, following part of the London Marathon course and finishing on The Mall in Westminster. We haven't been given the exact timings of the event yet, but it's likely to be between 10:00-2:00.

Every child that completes the event will earn St James School £10 to be spent on PE and Sports equipment for the school. You can find more information about the event on the [London Marathon Website here](#) but in summary:

- Event takes place on Saturday 22 April, finishing on The Mall
- 1 mile distance for Reception to Year 6 – from 11am through to 2pm (exact timings confirmed nearer the time)
- 6 km distance for Year 5 to Year 6 – from 10am to 11am
- Free to enter
- Free medal for all children who finish
- £10 per finisher for our school
- Initial cap on 50 places in each distance

If you would like your child to take part - YOU must register with us. This is a great opportunity to enjoy a national event but also for your child to take part in a huge event. The more children we get involved - the more money we can raise for the school.

Please pop into the office and register YOUR child!



#WeRunTogether