



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 1

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:

Autumn 1 : Responsibility

Autumn 2 : Friendship

Spring 1: Perseverance

Spring 2 : Trust

Summer 1: Courage

Summer 2: Positivity

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

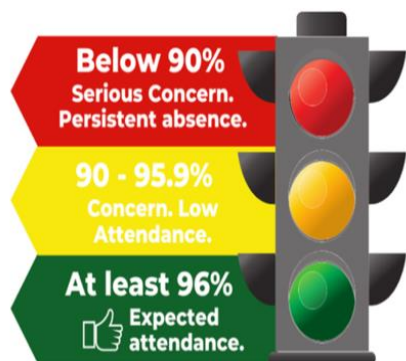
Welcome back to our new school year, a fresh start with lots of new opportunities in their new classes to grow and flourish. I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and are rested and ready for the new year ahead. It has been such a wonderful first week back to school – where we have welcomed old and new families to our community. The children have looked so smart in their school uniforms and the enthusiasm and delight at being back at school has been an absolute joy! Our school and classrooms are looking fantastic, so thank you to Mr Bunyan for all his hard work over the summer and to the teachers for their hard work in making their classrooms ready, with lovely display already on show! I am so pleased to be welcoming you back to our St James family and to the forthcoming term and year ahead which is full of many events and learning opportunities. I would also like to welcome Ms Goodison our new assistant head and Yr2 Teacher as well as Mr Kay our Yr5 Teacher to St James, I am sure that you will welcome them to into our St James' family and that you will get to know them over the course of the year, I know that will make a wonderful addition to our school.

WELCOME BACK SERVICE

On Thursday we returned to Reverend Ian and the Church and it was a wonderful service where we recapped our vision and the story from the bible that inspires us 'The Parable of the Sower' a selection of Yr6 confidently shared this with us. We also began to learn and understand our new school prayer - which I have shared with you in the newsletter. The prayer was a whole school task, last year, where the school council along with each class constructed a prayer that reflects our school, our vision and our values. With this in mind, each class were presented with a plant to nurture, grow and flourish - just as we will grow and flourish in our learning. I am sure the classes as well as the adults will meet the challenge...(although some are worried!) - I hope to share successful photos with you throughout the year.

Have a wonderful weekend in the sunshine, and hopefully maybe a little cooler next week!

Blessings from us all, Mrs Everard

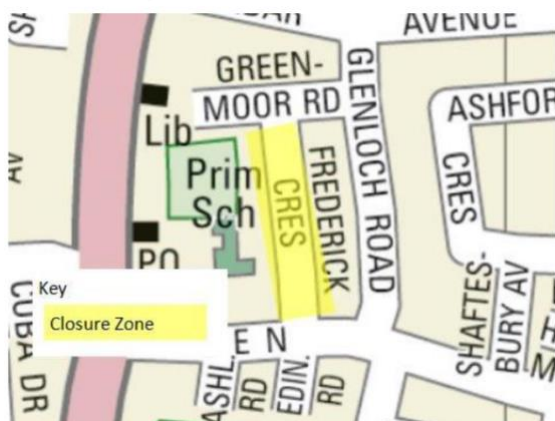


ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Congratulations to the classes in the Green Zone!

Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
96%	95%	97%	91%	96%	93%



Thank you so much for organising your journey to and from school. It has been lovely seeing the street safer for our children and parents to walk along.



Please do think about where YOU now leave your car on adjacent roads, it is unfair to block cars in, park across driveways of residents. We have received a few complaints - so please, be considerate and respectful



Just a reminder:

The main gate opens at 8.35am

The gate closes at 8.45am

- KS1 collection at 3.15pm
- KS2 collection 3.20pm



School gate opens at 8.35am – closes at 8.45am – please ensure your child is on time for school. Having a smooth start to the day is so important and helps the children begin settled and ready to learn - so please make every effort to ensure your child is on time.

There will now be a late book and the gate will close at 8.45am – being on time is so important for a smooth start to the day.

You will receive a text if your child is late and this is being monitored by our EWO (Education Welfare Officer from Enfield Council)



Celebration

This week our superstars are:		
Year 1 - Iremide For taking responsibility for her learning in phonics and demonstrating great handwriting skills! Well done, Mrs Charalambous & Mrs Piscitelli	Year 2 - Shanice For being amazing at following instructions in class, which shows her respect and responsibility. Well done, Ms Goodison	Year 3 - Penelope For being a superstar in her learning and setting a great example to others in class. What a great start to Year 3 - well done, Mrs Oliveri & Mrs Khan
Year 4 - Epiphany For showing responsibility in her learning and being so engaged and insightful in her new RE unit. Well done, Mrs Gardner & Mrs Dogus	Year 5 - David For showing the value of respect and responsibility to his learning the whole week! A great start to Year 5 - Well done Mr Kay	Year 6 - Sahsine For demonstrating responsibility in all her new books and presenting all tasks with neatness and pride. - Well done, Mrs Loizou & Mrs Everard
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!		



Vicky - our sports Leader will be taking each class for PE this year. This will give our children an opportunity to really flourish in PE and grow in skill, teamwork and agility. Each week Vicky will choose a EYFS/KS1 pupil and a KS2 Pupil who has impressed her. Here are this week's winners:



<u>EYFS/KS1 Award</u>	<u>KS2 Award</u>
<p>Claye - Yr2</p> <p>for his fantastic enthusiasm and skill with the gymnastics lesson - great listening and participation!</p>	<p>Jason - Yr5</p> <p>For showing his skill, and control in gymnastics. He was focused and listened well to advice to achieve a new skill</p>



Children need to bring their bag to school on a Monday and if needed take home on a Friday for washing. PE kits **MUST** stay in school.

Children MUST get changed for PE - they cannot just wear their uniform.

School uniform should be worn to school every day – this is part of our responsibility and respect in our school values to show the pride we have in being a child at our school.

Please ensure all uniform is labelled so that lost items can be returned, especially coats, jumpers, lunchboxes.

**Indoor PE Kit****Plain White T-shirt****Blue shorts****Plimsolls****All jewellery Must be removed****Outdoor PE Kit****Plain White T-shirt****Blue shorts****Jumper/Hoodie/zip up jacket****Blue/Black Joggers****All jewellery Must be removed**

<u>PE TIMETABLE - Autumn Term</u>		
Year Group	Indoor	Outdoor
Reception	Monday/Thursday	Monday/Thursday
Year 1	Monday	Thursday
Year 2	Tuesday	Friday
Year 3	Friday	Wednesday
Year 4	Tuesday	Wednesday
Year 5	Thursday	Friday
Year 6	Thursday	Monday

Here is our new school prayer for your to share in at home

Our school Prayer



Dear Heavenly father,

Thank you for our world and our loving and caring St James' community in which we were created and called to live like Jesus. We ask you to guide us with your wisdom along the holy path of success.

Lead us and strengthen us in your protection so that we will become confident role models and citizens of the future. As our faith takes roots within us, let our friendship, love and kindness grow in our hearts, so that we can flourish together as one.

Amen

Learning, Growing & Flourishing Together

CHRISTMAS!



I know its only September - but please put these dates in your diary

EYFS & KS1 Nativity

4th December at 9.30am

5th December @ 2.15pm

Carol Service @ St James Church

(Yr3,4,5)

(sorry awaiting confirmatoon from Church)

Christingle Service @ School

Led by Yr6

Thursday 14th December @ 9.10am



Weekly winners

1st Place: Ronaldo

2nd Place: Attenborough

3rd Place: Edison

4th Place: Sharkey

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE



Congratulations to Eli, Epiphany and Eliya on completing the Summer Reading Challenge!

We are so proud of you!



Dates for your Diary

**Meet the teacher Sessions -
Parent information. Session
(Approx. 15 mins) from 3.30pm**

Tuesday 12th September- Year 2
Wednesday 13th September - Year 1 **3.00pm**
Friday 15th September - Year 4

Monday 19th September - Year 5
Wednesday 21st September - Year 3 **3.00pm**

**Yr6 Meeting and secondary School
Information**

Monday 19th September 2023 at 5pm

Love of Reading Sessions or Parents
Wednesday 20th September 2023
2.40pm - Reception/Year 1/Year 2

Wednesday 27th September 2023
2.40pm - Year 3/Year4/Year5/Year6

Harvest Festival Church Service
Thursday 5th October 2023
9.10am
(We will be collecting for Enfield North Food Bank)

Friday 20th October 2023
INSET DAY - no School

Half Term
Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October 2023

Monday 30th October
children return at 8.40am

**We Need Your
Nomination!!!**

**HELP US
WIN £1,000
FOR OUR LIBRARY!**

Help us rebuild our library and encourage reading for pleasure – nominate us today to win £1,000 of National Book Tokens plus a £500 grant to improve our library space.

If yours is one of the five winning entries, you'll win a £100 National Book Token to spend in your favourite bookshop!

SCAN ME

NATIONAL BOOK tokens In association with **Read for Good**

#rebuildthelibrary

nationalbooktokens.com/schools



**We will not be giving out sweets
for birthdays** - as a healthy
school - if you would like to buy a
gift for the class, please do so via
the amazon wish list.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

If you would like to donate an item to the school, please use the link below which will take you to the amazon wish list. If you find something you would like to purchase, just add it to your basket and follow the same process as if you were ordering something for yourself. The items will be delivered directly to the school. If you want to support the local shops rather than ordering online, feel free to buy similar items there.

With thanks

<https://amzn.eu/d2KKPfk>

<u>Diary Dates</u>	
<u>Mon 11th Sept</u>	Yr6 visiting Enfield Highway Library
<u>Tues 12th Sept</u>	Year 2 - Meet the teacher at 3.30pm
<u>Wed 13th Sept</u>	Year 2 - Meet the teacher at 3.00pm
<u>Thurs 14th Sept</u>	No Notices
<u>Fri 15th Sept</u>	Year 5 - Meet the teacher at 3.30pm



Safeguarding Page

Each week I will post some tips on how to protect your child online.

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INTERNET SAFETY TIPS FOR PARENTS

- 1 Don't block all access to technology. Help your child learn to use tech **safely** and **positively**.
- 2 Take an **interest** in your child's favourite apps or sites. Co-view or co-create at times.
- 3 Be the parent. You're in charge. Set **boundaries** and consider using filtering software.
- 4 Create a family media **agreement** with tech free zones such as cars, bedrooms, and meals.
- 5 Teach your child what **personal information** they should not reveal online (YAPPY acronym).
- 6 Help your child learn to **filter** information online and navigate fact from fiction.
- 7 Navigate digital **dilemmas** with your child. Avoid using devices as rewards or punishments.
- 8 **Balance** green time and screen time at home. Focus on basic developmental needs.
- 9 Don't support your child to sign up for sites with **age restrictions** (e.g. 13+) if they're underage.
- 10 **Learn more:** Explore reliable resources for parents so you can educate yourself.

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