



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 11

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

Dates for your Diary

EYFS & KS1 Nativity

4th December at 9.30am

5th December @ 2.15pm

(Tickets were given out 24/11/23)

Carol Service @ St James Church

(Yr3,4,5)

Tuesday 5th December at 6pm -

Christmas Jumpers to be worn

Thursday 7th December 2023

Yr4 Trip to the Travelling Grid - Lambeth Palace - Details to follow

Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

Friday 8th December 2023

Christingle Service @ School

Led by Yr6

Thursday 14th December @ 2.30pm -
Yr6 parents are welcome to attend.

Wednesday 20th December 2023

School Closes for Christmas Holidays
1.30pm

Monday 8th January 2023

children return to school at 8.40am

A message from Mrs Everard

This week we have been focusing on our value of Friendship and what it means to be a friend. In worship this week we studied the friendship that David and Joshua had and how this friendship showed others that being loyal and not jealous of each other is important. That you can have different talents but friendship can bring you together and this story shows us to be proud of each other and celebrate together not compete against each other.

This week we were blessed with Yr5 leading worship on Wednesday. they are our friendship ambassadors and they acted and sang amazingly - sharing the importance of what friendship is, what qualities are needed in a friendship and how Jesus taught us that having a friend is a wonderful experience.

We are truly in the lead up to celebrating the Christmas season, the corridors are full of carols, characters from the nativity and excitement is definitely building - so please make sure you are aware of all the dates when you are warmly welcomed to celebrate the season.



£1 donation for save the children.

Friday 8th December - Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day : Please help us celebrate the season by wearing your Christmas Jumper, or the Christmassy colours for the day!



Wishing you a blissful weekend, Mrs Everard



Celebration Worship



This week our class focus was on: Reception , Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5

Reception Class: Abrianna & Juanita	Year 1: William & Avram	Year 3: Benjamin, Dominic & Kavali	Year 5: Tatjana & Oliver
<p><u>Abrianna:</u> for being a wonderful friend and being a kind and caring member of the class</p> <p><u>Juanita:</u> for being a great member of the class following our values.</p>	<p><u>William:</u> for being a great member of the class and always helping others.</p> <p><u>Avram:</u> for trying really hard in following our values and being caring towards others</p>	<p><u>Benjamin:</u> for his enthusiasm and great singing during the carol service rehearsals</p> <p><u>Dominic & Kavali:</u> for being great friends and showing a caring a kind attitude to members of their class</p>	<p><u>Tatjana:</u> for being a superstar during her learning in fractions</p> <p><u>Oliver:</u> for being a great friend and always showing kind and caring attitude to all</p>
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!			



Sports Award

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:

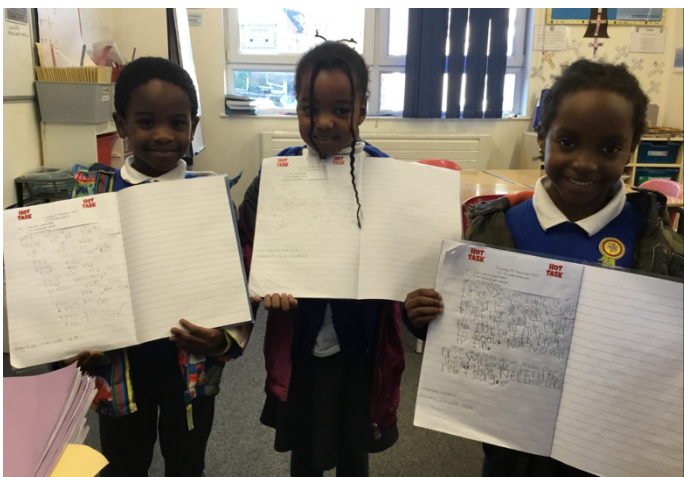
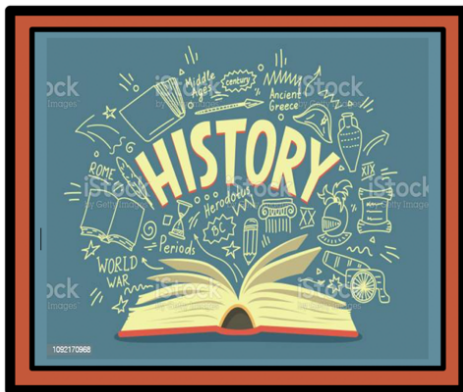
<u>EYFS/KS1 Award</u>	<u>KS2 Award</u>
Jessica M (Reception) - for her skill and mastery of movements in Gymnastics	Rosie (Yr5) for her enthusiasm, energy and skill and giving 100% in all areas of PE



HISTORY HOMEWORK HEROES!

Congratulations to these children in Year 4 for creating some amazing homework on the Egyptians: Samuel & Keziah. In Year 1: Siyar, William and Olivia for their work on school days in the Victorian times as well as Rhoda for her artistic plate of a WW2 soldier!

Mrs Goodison our Humanities lead was so proud of you!



Year 1 Celebration!
William, Scarlette and Olivia for
their amazing writing of
sentences independently using
their phonics.
I am so proud of you!



This week - we are celebrating Seanna, Zuriel and Adam on becoming a Rock Legend!

These children can answer questions in under 2 seconds

Can **YOU** be here next time?



Rock Heroes are Rockstar's that can answer questions in under 1 second! Wow - what an amazing achievement!

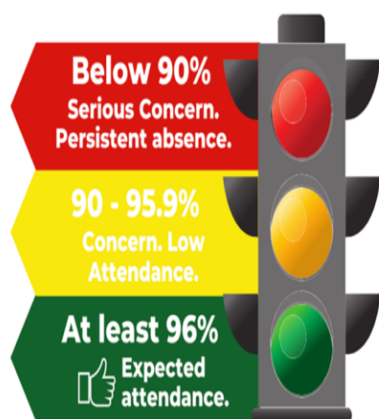
Congratulations to:

Epiphany in Year 4 on achieving this status and joining the roll of honour board!



ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!



YR	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
82%	83%	97%	94%	93%	94%	91%

Well done to Yr2 for being the only class this week in the Green Zone!

We are now in the season where coughs, colds, sore throats etc are more prevalent. We are washing hands, using hand sanister- please remind your children to also wash hands, throw tissues in the bin etc - as this will help ensure that they are not unwell and that they are in school. Remember medication can be administered at school if you see Ella



Diary Dates

<u>Mon 27th November</u>	SEND/KS1 Gym Competition In school by 8am <i>If your child is attending they will have received a letter</i>
<u>Tues 28th November</u>	Year 3/4 Gym Competition In school by 8am <i>If your child is attending they will have received a letter</i>
<u>Wed 29th November</u>	KS2 Gym Competition collection at 3.30pm Southbury Leisure Centre <i>If your child is attending they will have received a letter</i>
<u>Thurs 30th November</u>	Advanced Gym Competition <i>If your child is attending they will have received a letter</i> Sports Hall Athletics till 4.15pm for selected children
<u>Fri 1st December</u>	N0 Clubs

Pleasant little reminders

- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform on for school - plain black shoes, grey trousers, white polo shirt and a navy jumper, cardigan. (Please ensure your child's uniform is labelled)
- All children should have a PE Kit in school - blue shorts, white t-shirt, blue/black tracksuit Children MUST get changed for PE.
- Coats MUST be labelled
- Please teach your child to take responsibility for their items

Football and Netball Clubs will resume after Christmas.



Thursday 7th December
Please help us by bringing a
bag to school - We will start
collecting items from
Monday 4th December 2023



Clothes



Paired shoes



Handbags



Hats



Bags



Scarves and ties



Bras



Jewellery



Socks



Belts



Soft toys



Household linen



Household curtains



Household towels



Household bedding

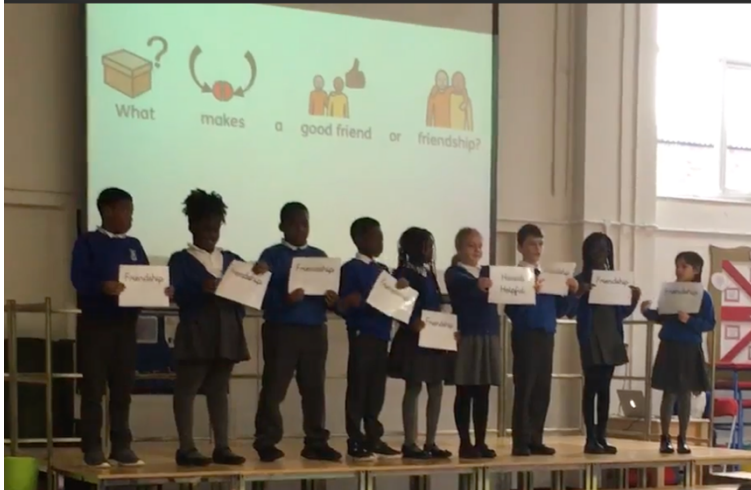


We have sadly had to say goodbye to two members of our staff who have supported the children of St James' and helped them flourish and grow over the many years of service.

Thank you to Ecem, who worked with children from Yr2, Year 3 and Year 4 over the last 2 years, we wish her well and send her luck and happiness in her new job.

We are also saying goodbye and huge thanks to Mrs Boxall, who had been at St James' school for just over 20 years, she made a huge difference to the many children of St James' during her time and we are extremely grateful for her contribution. We wish her every happiness in the future.

Yr5 Class Assembly



This week Yr5, our Friendship ambassadors led the school in worship, they told the school about how Jesus us taught us to offer friendship to everyone and how we can offer ourselves in friendship to our whole community - there was great singing and acting! Thank you Yr5 and Mr Kay for the hard work! We were very proud of you!

