



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 27

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

Spring 1: Perseverance

Summer 1: Courage

Autumn 2 : Friendship

Spring 2 : Trust

Summer 2: Positivity

Dates for your Diary

Swimming Lessons have started

for Yr4 (Every Tuesday)

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Monday 29th April

Yr5 Library session at Ordnance Road

Wednesday 1st & Thursday 2nd May

Yr3 Bike Training sessions with Cycle confident - *Please ensure you have returned your permission slip*

Monday 6th May 2024

Bank Holiday - School closed

Wednesday 8th May 2024

Yr5 Trip to Waltham Abbey Church

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May 2024

Year 6 SATS WEEK ASSESSMENTS

Wednesday 22nd May 2024

Yr6 Trip to Imperial War Museum

Thursday 23rd May 2024

Yr4 Trip to Whitewebbs House with a roast Dinner

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May

Half Term - School CLOSED to all pupils

Monday 3rd June INSET DAY

- School CLOSED to all pupils

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

What a wonderful week it has been, it was so lovely welcoming you to your parent's consultation appointments this week, it is so important for you to see what your child is learning where their strengths lie and what they need to do to improve and how you can help in that learning journey at home. I hope that you found the visit to your child's classroom useful and informative and thank you for working with us so that we can all flourish and grow together - just as our school vision instils this in our St James' life!

This week in worship we have continued to explore the value of courage with: *I am a good shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know*



me. John 10:1 We discussed how Jesus is the shepherd that guides us and we are the sheep who follow in his footsteps- using his stories and the bible as our guidance. I linked this back to our vision and the parable of the sower- how if we are in good soil we will grow. Our prayer this week was:

Dear God,

Thank you for being the Good Shepherd, Help us to listen for your voice. And to follow you and trust you. We know you will guide us and protect us. Thank you for caring about us. Thank you for your love. Help us follow your path and be the 'Good Shepherd' that grows and flourish because of your love and guidance.

In Jesus name,

Here's to a wonderful Summer Term full of success, have a wonderful weekend

God Bless, Mrs Everard



Celebration Superstars



Each week we celebrate children for their work in class or around the school as well as someone who has shown our ½ termly value. This term our value is courage.

Reception	Year 2	Year 4	Year 6
<u>Kiyanne</u>: for always being ready to learn, her enthusiasm and eagerness is brilliant! <u>Abrianna</u>: for showing courage in trying new things	<u>Joshua O</u>: for improving his learning behaviour and his skill in all areas of learning <u>Ethan</u>: for showing courage and responsibility in his learning	<u>Eylul</u>: for working so hard to improve her work and showing a wonderful attitude <u>Thomas</u>: for being courageous in all areas of learning	<u>Isabella</u>: for working extremely hard to improve her skills, and knowledge so that her test scores improve! <u>Emeliya</u>: for her courage within the tests and for always trying to challenge herself.

We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!





ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
88%	95%	97%	94%	94%	96%	100%



4 classes all in the Green Zone and well done top Yr1 for improving this week! Special Well down to Yr6 - who achieved 100% this week!

100% ATTENDANCE

Being at school, learning, flourishing is so important - Children **MUST** be at school - so let's try and challenge ourselves to get all classes in the green Zone this term as many times as possible!

REMINDER OF TIMIMNGS

Main Gate opens at 8.35am

School Gate at 8.40am

ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE IN CLASS BY 8.45AM

Collection Time:

Reception & KS1 (Y1/2) : 3.15PM

KS2 (Y3/4/5/6) : 3.20PM

Please be on time to collect your child!

Attendance Guidelines

We would like to let you know about new attendance guidance which has been issued by the Department for Education, emphasising the drive for improved attendance in schools. This says that all schools are now required to share attendance data with the government on a daily basis, and that fines for unauthorised absences from schools will increase.

Please see the link for more information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-regulations-for-schools-in-next-stage-of-attendance-drive>

We want to remind you that taking holidays in term time, cannot be authorised, under any circumstances. We would strongly discourage you from doing this, as periods of missed schooling can have a very negative impact on your child's learning and progress. If you are planning to take your child out of school for a holiday, please be aware of any statutory assessments that they will be undertaking (such as the Phonics Screening Check for Year 1, the Multiplication Check for Year 4 and SATs for Year 6) and ensure that you do not take them out during, or in the run-up to, these assessments. Please also be aware that any unauthorised holiday which results in your child's attendance dropping below 90% can trigger a referral to the Enfield Educational Welfare Service (EWO) and fines being issued to both parents.

We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that your child maintains a good level of attendance, to enable them to get the most of all the school has to offer and help them to make the best possible progress with their learning.



Attenborough House



Eli - Yr2
Eliya - Yr5
Epiphany- Yr4

Edison House

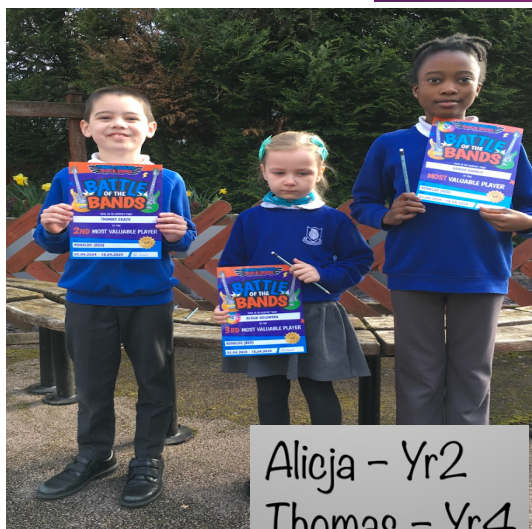


Joshua - Yr4
Adetona - Yr2
Annaliese- Yr4

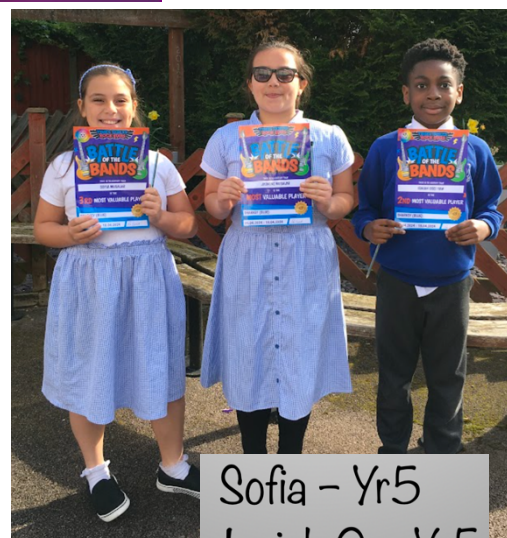
Ronaldo House



Sharkey House



Alicja - Yr2
Thomas - Yr4
Adowa- Yr4



Sofia - Yr5
Isaiah O - Yr5
Jasmine- Yr4

Sports Award



Panathlon Competition

This week Vicky took 8 children from Yr1 and Yr2 the Panathlon Competition at Lea Valley Athletics centre. The children competed in 8 events against 8 other schools. They had a brilliant time and came home with the 1st place trophy! We are so proud of them!



Weekly winners

1st : Edison

2nd: Sharkey

3rd : Ronaldo

4th :Attenborough

Congratulations to

1st : Edison



PE Lesson champions

This week we are celebrating these children:



King Yr1

for his excellent skill and control in Gymnastics

Seanna - Yr6

for having confidence and determination to improve her athletic skills



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Church Service 9.10am

Friday 3rd May 2024

*all family and friends welcome
This service is to acknowledge
St James' apostle, our school
name and who we are!*

PE KIT REMINDERS

All children should have a PE Kit in class that consists of:

- Plain blue/black shorts
- Plain white t-shirt
- plimsolls/trainers

It is still chilly so a plain blue/black joggers and jumper may also be needed - All items should be named.

This should be brought in to school on a Monday and STAY IN SCHOOL for the week/ term.

PE is should important for physical and mental health, so please help us by ensuring that your child is organised so that they don't miss out on these lessons!

Summer Sporting Clubs

KS2 children (Yr3,4,5,6) will be bringing home letters this week if they want to attend 'Thursday summer Sports Club'

We will be offering rounders, cricket, tennis, and athletics on Thursdays until 4.30pm

If you would like your child to attend - please ensure you return the reply slip.

Local History

Each class have started or will be starting their 'Local History unit on Enfield.

Ask them what they are learning about?

What happened in Enfield in the past?

Why is Enfield Famous?

I look forward to sharing with you some of the children 's learning this term.

Please ensure that you are helping your child succeed by reading, practising phonics, spellings, accessing TTRS and maths shed

Here are some dates for your diary:

Year 4 timetable check - Wk beginning 3rd June 2024

Year 1 & 2 Phonics Check Wk beginning 10th June 2024

Humanities and Spanish Week 17th June - 21st June 2024

Sports Day : Wednesday 3rd July -

Reception & KS1 9.15am

Ks2 10.45am

Parents/ Carers are welcome to attend sports day.



Online safety Tips:

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

internet
matters.org

Game Safe

Helping children
and young people
game safely



Advice for parents & guardians

Gaming is a great source of enjoyment, creativity and skills development for children. It can provide families with a raft of enjoyable shared experiences.

While there are some risks associated with gaming, making use of controls and settings available, combined with ongoing conversations and engagement, children and young people can safely enjoy all the experiences it offers.



Balancing online gaming with other activities

Talk about the importance of prioritising offline activities like education, shared family activities and sleep to help strike the right balance when it comes to gaming. Encourage your children and young people to take regular breaks to help maintain a healthy screen time balance. If you game yourself, you can model healthy gaming habits.



Know your **PEGI** ratings

Understanding PEGI ratings enables parents and guardians to make informed choices about the games they allow their children play. **The PEGI rating on a game confirms that content is suitable for a certain age group and above.**

Games with violent, sexual content or other adult/mature themes will have a higher rating. These ratings don't consider communication features, so a game with a low age rating may enable strangers to contact children and young people.