Autumn Term 2024 Friday 22nd November 2024

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	Spring 1: Perseverance	Summer 1: Courage
Autumn 2 : Friendship	Spring 2 : Trust	Summer 2: Positivity

Dates for your Diary

Thursday Girls football till 4.15pm
Spanish Club – Wednesdays Yr1/2/3 until 4.15pm
Choir Tuesday's - until 4.30pm
Friday's Boys Y4/5/6 till 4.15pm

Monday 25th November
Yr1 Christmas Experience Trip

Wednesday 27th November
Yr5 Class worship 9.10am

Thursday 28th November
Yr5 Trip to National Gallery – Art and Christmas
Families welcome

Friday 29th November
Reception. Class – Christmas Experience Trip

Tuesday 17th December
Reception & Yr2 –Pinocchio at Dugdale centre – details to follow

CHRISTMAS!

EYFS &KS1 Nativity
10th December at 2.15pm
11th December @ 9.30am

Carol Service @ St James Church (Yr3,4,5)
Wednesday 11th December at 6pm
Christmas jumpers to be worn

Christingle Service @ School Led by Yr6
Thursday 19th December @ 2.15pm

School finishes on Friday 20th December at 1.30pm

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

This week it definitely feels like we are moving rapidly towards the Christmas period with even some snow making an appearance! With Christmas in mind all classes have begun their practice of the Christmas events that they will be hosting. I am so looking forward to welcoming you to these events- so please make sure you have the dates in your diary.

On another note at the start of the school year, as you are aware our school federated with St. James' Primary School forming 'The Cedar Federation'. With this new partnership in place, we needed to design a logo to represent us as schools and a competition was opened to pupils and the wider community at both schools. Thank you so much to everyone who sent in an entry, as there were so many amazing designs and I know what a joy it was for our governing body to look through them. The chair of governors and other representatives of the board then choose a range of designs that they felt best represented the federation, finally deciding on the winning logo. I am happy to formally share that the winning design was drawn by Perri Spence in Year 6 from FWSC. What makes this even more special and unbeknown to our governors (as no names or schools were shared with them) was that Perri actually attended St. James' School during her time in KS1, then moved to Freezywater for KS2, making her a true representative of our Federation and of both our schools. Thank you Perri, I can't wait to see your logo on letters, our websites, boards and other forms of communication at both schools, we are so very proud of you! On that happy note have a great weekend, God Bless.

Mrs Everard and all the staff at St James'

ATTENDANCE
EVERY DAY COUNTS!



YR	YR1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
89%	100%	98%	97%	91%	91%	99%

Well done to Yr2, Yr3 &Yr6 for being in the Green Zone!

SPECIALCONGRAULATIONS TO YEAR 1 – 100% for the 2nd week running!

We are getting to that time of year when colds/sniffles/sore throats etc Please remind children about washing hands, tissues in bins, covering their mouth when they cough. Ella- our welfare officer is able to administer medication, if your child is well enough to be in school- please do try to keep children in school. **See later on in the newsletter about booking the flu nasal spray for children**

The front gate opens at 8.35am and the main gate opens at 8.40am – ALL children should be at school for 8.45am – Too many families are arriving too late to school! – You MUST be on time for school – we start learning straight away- so please ensure YOU are organised so that YOUR child/ren is/are here on time for school!

Our value of Responsibility this term is a great way of teaching the children this important skill , that they will most definitely need for later life!



Why should I arrive for school on time?

It is important that children arrive in school on time everyday for a number of reasons.

- It is the legal responsibility of parent/carers to ensure that children attend their registered school on time each day.
- If a child is late they miss important information about the day's activities.

5 minutes late each day	**3 days lost!**
10 minutes late each day	**6.5 days lost!**
15 minutes late each day	**10 days lost!**
20 minutes late each day	**13 days lost!**
30 minutes late each day	**19 days lost!**

- days are school days and calculated over a school year

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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 Class	Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
Becky-Rose Listening and following instructions especially during carpet time. Nehezarel following instructions &being a good friend	Brianne: trying so hard in phonics and making great improvements Mia : being an amazing friend and always being kind to others	Joshua: for persevering in all classwork and taking responsibility for his learning. Prossy: being a great friend and really welcoming and kind to our new member	Priscilla : Always being a constant role model to others Desi : having a positive attitude and always bringing a smile into the classroom.
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!			









Sports Award

Jasmine Year 5 For her commitment to develop and improve in gymnastics but also for her ability to support, teach and encourage her team in the competition	Dejah – Reception For enthusiasm and effort in all PE Sessions and for always being ready to listen and follow the instructions.



House Points



Weekly winners

1st : Place: Edison
2nd :Place: Ronaldo
3rd:Attenbourgh
4th: Sharkey

Congratulations to Team Edison



History Homework Hero!

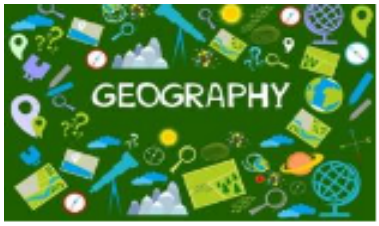
What amazing homework Heroes – Well done This week Priscilla and Djennifer from Year 5 have created shields to do with the Anglo Saxons.

Mahmoud (Yr2) created a house scene based on 'The Great Fire of London'. It's so lovely to see the children engaging in homework. Can YOU be here next week?



Geographical Geographers Homework Heroes!





What amazing homework Heroes What amazing Geographical champions – This week Jessica & Brianne have created artwork linked to the four seasons. It's so lovely to see the children engaging in homework.
Can YOU be here next week?

ENGLAND ROCKS

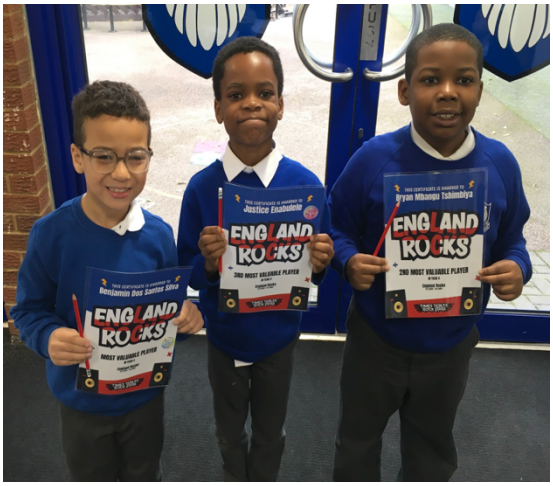
Our class competition has been running in TTRS. Mr Kay has been watching who has been practising and improving their skills and which children within the class are the most active and effective in recalling timestables – here are the results:



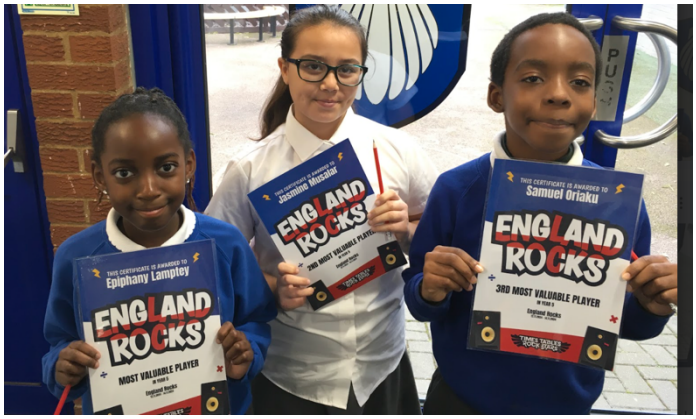
Year 2 – congratulations to:
William and Olivia



Year 3- congratulations to:
Patrycja, Naana & Eli



Year 4 congratulations to:
Bryan, Justice & Benjamin



Year 5: congratulations to:
Samuel, Jasmine & Epiphany

Year 6: congratulations to:
Tierie, Sofia & Eliya



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Choir Festival @ St Georges Freezywater Church



Mrs Sheehan took our school choir to St Georges Freezywater Church for the music festival with other local schools. They have been practising and learning songs to perform.

They had a fabulous time and sung the song 'Bare Necessities; from Jungle Book to the audience as well as leading on a warm up of songs with everyone! It was a fabulous event!





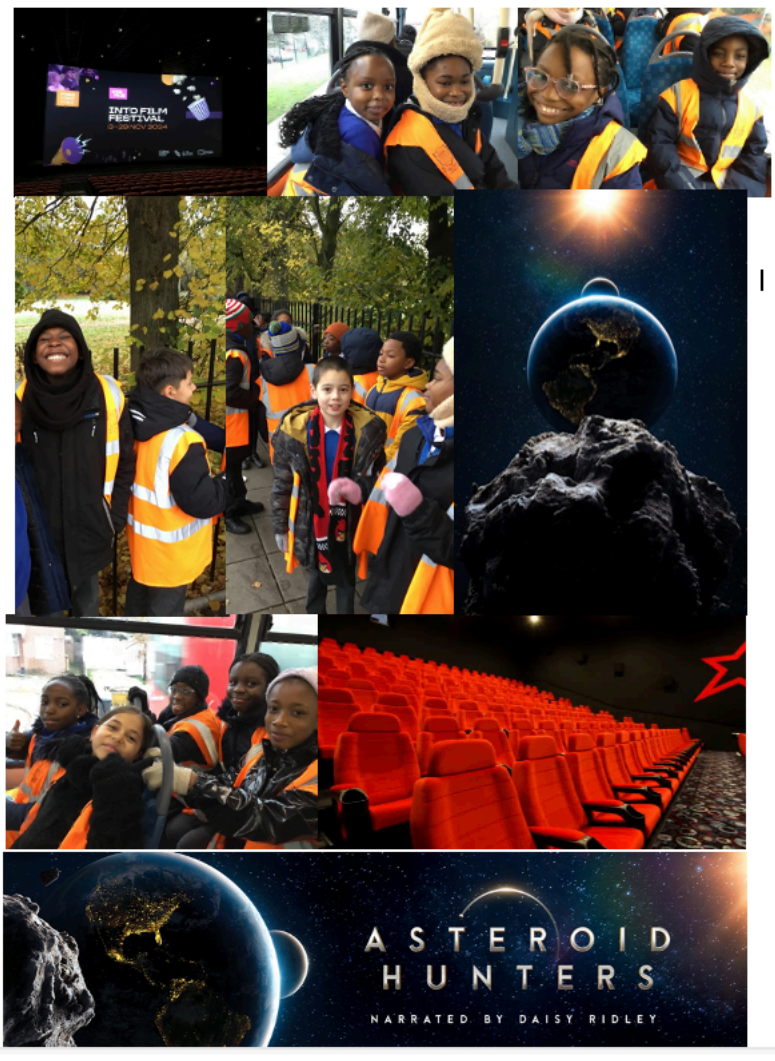
Yesterday, we announced the winner of our Cedar Federation logo competition which was open to the wider community across our two schools St. James' and Freezywater. The winning logo was designed by Perri in Year 6 and will be used across our Partnership schools on all of our letters and communications.

Thank you to everyone who take part and created a design and huge congratulations to Perri.



Cedar Federation

Congratulation to 'Perri Spence' who was the winner of the Logo design for our Federation. It is so lovely to know that she was a St James' pupil before she moved to Freezywater St Georges! We are so proud of the designed the winning logo.

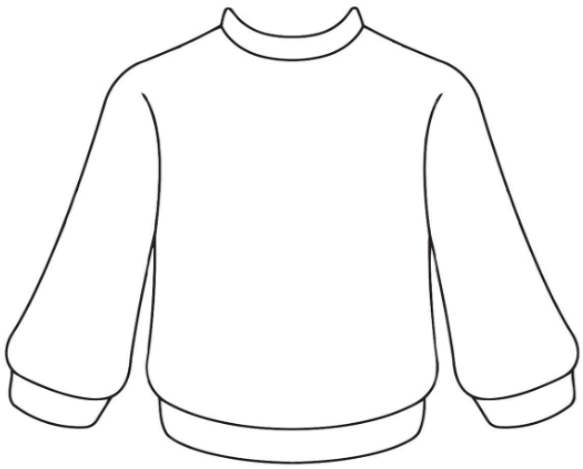


Year 5 – Cinema Trip Based on Space

Year 5 have been learning about the solar system and they had a trip to the cinema to learn and understand the following:
Asteroids; where they come from, the risk they pose our planet, and what we can do about the threat of an asteroid impact.

St James' Christmas Competition
£1 to enter and win a prize!

Design a Christmas Jumper



Name:_____ Class:_____

Please hand completed entries and £1 into the school office by Tuesday 10th December

Don't forget to enter the competition – ask in the office for a template



FWSG – Christmas Fayre