



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:

Autumn 1 : Responsibility

Spring 1: Perseverance

Summer 1: Courage

Autumn 2 : Friendship

Spring 2 : Trust

Summer 2: Positivity

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday – Art/cooking Club Yr2 &3

Recorder Club Yr4/5/6

Wednesday Spanish Club Yr1/2/3

Thursday – Tag Rugby Club – KS2

All clubs finish at 4.15pm except:

Friday – Yr3/4 Football 4.30 Finish

Yr4/5/6 Netball -4.30 Finish

Half-Term

Monday 17th Feb - Friday 21st Feb 25

School Returns

Monday 24th February 2025

At 8.40am

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Yr4 Visit to British Museum

Wk beginning 3rd March 2025

Book Week

Thursday 6th March Dress up day for world book day – pyjama book sessions (see letter for more details)

Wednesday 12th March 2025

Parents/families of Yr3 welcome 9.10am

Wk beginning 17th March 2025

Science Week - details to follow

Wk beginning 31st March 2025

Holy Week Service

Thursday 3rd April 9.10am at church
All Families Welcome

School finishes Friday 4th April at 1.30pm

A message from Mrs Everard

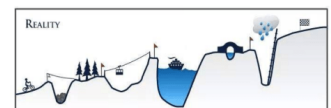
What a busy and action-packed week to end this half-term. This week we finished looking at our value of perseverance and how this value helps us learn and develop into confident young people who are willing to try, even when something is challenging! I used 'I

can do all things with Christ who

strengthens me. 'Philippians 4:13 to look at

how with God by our sides we can achieve success even if it is sometimes not easy. We also talked about the following image and how sometimes the path to success is not always smooth and that they may be hurdles

along the way and it can be easy to give up! I am confident that this understanding of having perseverance will help the children in flourishing just as our vision sets out to do! We also this week we looked again at the core concepts of the bible, remembering the differences between the Old and New Testament and how the gospels are there to guide us in times of need.



In the last few weeks many of the classes have been on their visits linked to their learning and I have had been so impressed with the comments we have had back from the venues and the adults that have supported them on the visits. This is such an important part of their learning to see the artefacts, the real places where history or science takes place, or how seeing the science in action it helps the children embed their learning and understanding.

As we come to the end of this ½ term I want to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting your child/ren with their learning, making that important appointment for leaning review day and taking an interest in what your children is learning and developing. As it is so important that when you work with us, the success and joy that we see from the children is truly fantastic. I really hope that you have a wonderful ½ term break and that you get some lovely family time together and that the weather is kind to us all with the hope that Spring may be on its way!

God bless Mrs Everard, and the St James' Team

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR	YR1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
92%	94%	95%	98%	90%	99%	92%



Well done to Y2,4 &5 for being in the **GREEN ZONE!**

There are a lot of illnesses and it is that season of year when colds/sniffles/sore throats as well as sickness bugs etc, are around. Please remind children about washing hands, tissues in bins, covering their mouth when they cough to help prevent the spread. 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.

The school gate opens at **8.40am** – all children **SHOULD** be in class by **8.45am**
 Please try hard to be on time for school as we start learning straight away!
 This is still a weakness in some families – please work hard to get your children here on time!



Getting Your Child to School Really Matters

Did You Know... ?

In a School Year, If Your Child is Late Every Day By...	Your Child Would Have Lost Approximately...	or They Would Have Missed Approximately...
5 Minutes	3.5 Days from School	20 Lessons
10 Minutes	7 Days from School	41 Lessons
15 Minutes	10 Days from School	55 Lessons
20 Minutes	14.5 Days from School	82 Lessons
30 Minutes	22 Days from School	123 Lessons

Please Encourage Punctuality to Maintain Attendance

Being on time:

- School gates open at 8:40 am.
- Gets your day off to a good start and puts you in a positive frame of mind.
- Sets positive patterns for the future.
- Leads to a good attendance record and means that your child doesn't miss morning work!
- Leads to better achievement because your child attends for the WHOLE day.
- Leads to understanding that school is important and education is valuable.



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 4	Year 6
<p>Ezekiel: for working hard at improving his phonics skills in the lessons.</p> <p>David: for lovely friendship skills and sharing skills when playing with others.</p>	<p>Abbas: for excellent skill and determination to succeed in making a 'Pulley' in DT</p> <p>Aseel: for constantly persevering and always try to be the best of herself each and every day!</p>	<p>Katie: for working really hard consistently within yr6 and always trying her best no matter how hard it might be!</p> <p>Isaiah E: for persevering with his work and using tools to improve his work</p>

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

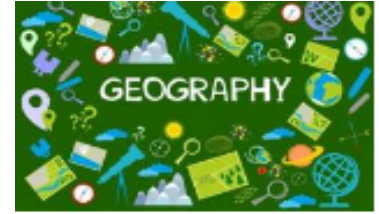


Super Star Student



Geographical Geographers

Homework Heroes!



What amazing finish to this terms units –This week Wojciech shared his Volcano eruption to the whole school in worship!



History Homework Hero!

In our final week on History, we have Olivia (yr2) who created a crown and Samuel (yr5) who created a collage of a Greek vase



Weekly winners
1st Edison
2nd Ronaldo
3rd Sharkey
4th Attenborough
Congratulations to
Edison House

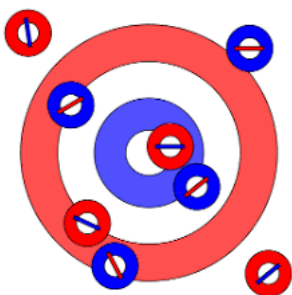


Congratulations to Melani (yr3) for her hard work on TTRS during maths week



This week we entered the 'Kurling Competition' against 8 other schools and took part in championship matches. It was a thrilling competition and the children played with teamwork and skill!

We are overjoyed to share the news that the school won the competition and we are now going through to the 'London Youth Games with a Year 3 /4 team – Well done to all the children who took part – we are so proud of your achievements!





Year 2 went to Lea Valley Athletics Centre to take part in their PE lesson with 'Enfield PE Team'.
The class learnt new skills in Kurling, target throwing, running, ball skills, rhythmic gymnastics as well as learning how to compete in long jump into the sand Pit! It was a great morning of team work, skill and fun! Here are some photos from their session:

