



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 25

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

All these clubs finish at 4.15pm

Thursday – Tag Rugby Club – KS2

4.30pm

(NEW LETTER ON CLUBS WILL

BE OUT NEXT WEEK – Please

LOOK out for it!)

Monday 24th March 2025

Year 3 visiting library

Holy Week Service

Thursday 3rd April 9.10am at church

All Families Welcome

School finishes Friday 4th April at

1.30pm

Summer Term

School returns Tuesday 22nd April

at 8.40am

Yr4 Swimming starts of Fridays

**Monday 5th May 2025 -bank holiday –
school closed**

Monday 12th – Thursday 15th May

Yr6 SATS Week

26th May to 30th May Half Term

Friday 6th June

INSET Day - School closed to
ALL pupils

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

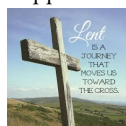
We have had another busy week at St James', where the children have had so many opportunities to shine and especially flourish in their skills! At the beginning of the week the Year 1 went to the 'Millfield Theatre' to perform their Lion King Dance as part of Enfield PE Teams celebration of dance. To stand on a stage, remember a routine and work as a team is tricky, but at age 5-6 years, they did so brilliantly, including making their own costumes! I was so proud of them and we had some great feedback from the audience and the organiser!



Year 6 also had an exciting week as they went to 'Greenwich Maritime Museum' as part of their work on polar explorers- they really enjoyed exploring the artefacts and understanding the challenging that explorers had in the artic over 100 years ago. They also explored the sights of Greenwich, The River Thames and the journey from south to north London through the tunnel!



I am also very proud of all the children as they all completed mini assessments this week in the lead up to the end of term, where they needed to show their skills and all the new knowledge that they have learnt, and they tackled them with confidence and courage which is one of our key values. This week we have continued to work on 'The St James' Way', with a focus on 'Marvellous Manners'. Looking at how we can show our respect and responsibility in our actions and words, so please try to chat to your child/ren at pick up time, ask them about their day, get them to tell you their highlight – this is such a great way to encourage growth and also happiness in their well-being.



This week in worship in the journey towards Lent we began our focus on prayer and what it means to someone who is religious, what prayer means to a person and how this creates a connection between them and God and this connection helps them feel a sense of belonging. Our



Prayer

prayer this week was: *Dear God, thank you that we can speak to you anywhere and at any time. Please help us to remember this when we are afraid, worried or sad. Please help us to be thankful. Please help us to be honest. Thank you that you never sleep, but are always there to listen. Amen.*

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend, remember the change in the clocks at the weekend, and if you are celebrating Eid, I wish you and your family a wonderful Eid Mubarak celebration. God Bless

. Mrs Everard

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR	YR1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
88%	98%	90%	98%	94%	98%	90%



Well done to Reception, Yr3 & 5 for being in the **GREEN ZONE!** It is still a mixed picture this week, so hopefully with the nicer weather, comes healthy children – **PLEASE** ensure that your child attends school as it is so important to their learning, friendships and sense of belonging. There can be a lot of illnesses at this time of the year when colds/ sniffles/sore throats especially sickness bugs. Please remind children about washing hands, putting 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.
- Helps you develop a sense of responsibility for yourself and towards others



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
<u>Nehezarel:</u> for always being busy in reception and using great sharing and caring values <u>Dafni:</u> for working so hard to show her skills and always trying to do her best.	<u>Abby</u> for great teamwork and also for developing skills of independence <u>Year 1</u> – for their courage and skill in the dance festival	<u>Shanice:</u> for always trying hard in class and always following our values <u>Malaika:</u> for showing great skills in her reading test this week – but also for have a love of books	<u>Rayna:</u> for her amazing Art skills at creating a painting with shade, tone and tints <u>Keziah:</u> for always being a great role model and following 'The St James' Way'
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!			





Congratulations to Oliver (Yr6) and Akwasi (Yr5) for their great partnership work through the 'Reading Buddy System'.



Congratulations Ezekiel (Reception) on his listening skills, focus and concentration when trying something new! And, Isaiah E (Yr6) for his determination in completing a long run around the path and not giving up as well as demonstrating great hockey skills,

Little WANDler of the week



Congratulations to Miche, for a huge improvement in his phonics



Weekly winners

1st Attenborough

2nd Sharkey

3rd Edison

4th Ronaldo

Congratulations to
Attenborough House





History Competition Winner



This week we are celebrating Patrycja for her commitment and regular practise and improvement of her timestables using TTRS Well done!



William – Year 2

Congratulations to William for answering the History Quiz Questions and being the 4th member of the Children v Teachers History Competition

He now joins Oliver (Yr6) Nariyah (Yr3) & Cairo (Yr5)

Year 1 Dance Festival Performance – The Lion King

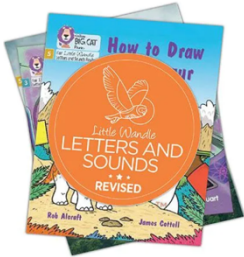
Huge congratulations to Year 1 for their dance festival performance at the 'Milfield Theatre'. We were so proud of their courage to performance in front of a huge audience and they did brilliantly!



Pleasant Little Reminders

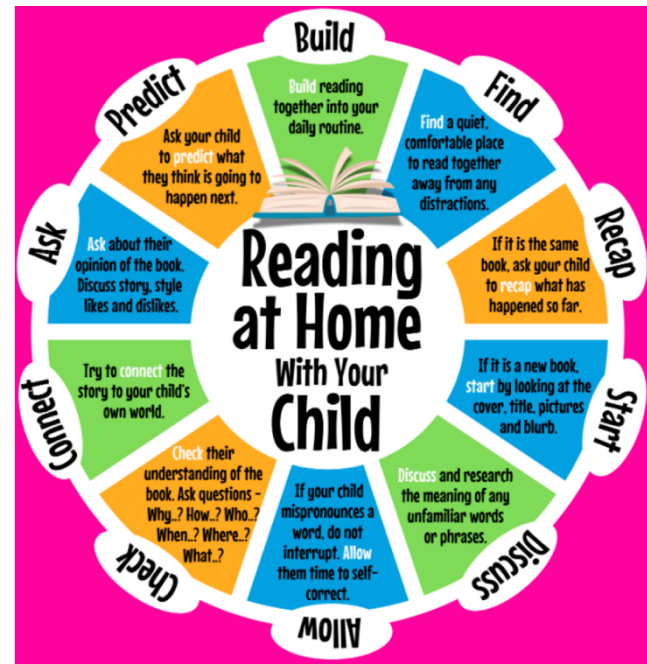
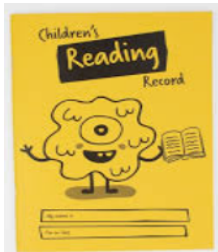


Please ensure ALL of your child/rens uniform has their name on it. Lost Property will be out next week – please do check if your child has lost anything. One of our values is responsibility so please help us by helping yourself to teach your child to look after their property.



Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and some Yr3 children have a 'Little Wandle Phonics Book' please ensure your child reads this at home to you and that you write in their diary – reading daily at home at the start of school is so important! So please support us and your child by making this part of your daily routine.

All KS2 children also bring home a book – they too MUST read and either YOU write in their diary or they do daily. Please support us in help your child become a reader for life!



**TfL
TRAVEL
FOR LIFE**

<https://travelforlife.tfl.gov.uk/knowledge-base/calling-all-young-transport-superfans/>

Calling all transport superfans!

We are celebrating 25 years of Transport for London and we're on the hunt for 25 young transport 'superfans' aged 5-16 and love London transport.

What do we need pupils to do

Participating in the competition is straightforward. Young superfans are invited to write why they're a superfan of a particular London transport mode in 100 words or less.

Entries must be emailed to TfLSuperFansComp@tfl.gov.uk along with their name and age, as well as contact information for their parent or guardian.

Please flag to the school if you enter this competition as this will contribute to their TfL Travel for Life accreditation. Find out more about accreditation at travelforlife.tfl.gov.uk

Who can enter

Children aged 5 – 16 years old, but they would need an adult to supervise their submission.

Deadline

Superfans must submit their entry before Wednesday 23 April for their chance to win this once in a lifetime experience.

What's the prize?

Winners get to record a personalised 25th anniversary message for TfL, which will be broadcasted at a station related to their mode of entry.

Winners get a behind-the-scenes tour related to their entry, such as bus, river services, cycle hire, Tram depot, IFS Cloud Cable Car, Tube, Overground, Elizabeth line or DLR station, or coach depot.

We look forward to seeing your entry!

