



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 35

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's:

Music (Y4,5,6) and art club (Y2,3,4)

Wednesday's

Cheer Yr5/6 & Spanish Club – Y1,2,3

All finishing at 4.15pm

Thursday: Athletics KS2

finish at 4.30pm

Cricket & Rounders Club KS2

finish at 4.30pm

Yr4 Swimming every Friday

Collection at Waverley 3.20pm or

collection at St James' 3.40pm

SPORTS DAY

Field Event Monday 30th June –

NO PARENTS

Track Events – Wednesday 2nd July

Reception, Yr1,Yr2 – 9.15am

Yr3,4,5,6 – 10.45am

Parents Welcome

Thursday 3rd July 2025

Hyde Park Event for selected Children

Yr1,2,3,4 – if your child is attending you will have received a letter

Wednesday 16th July 2025

Yr2 – Southend Trip

Thursday 17th July 2025 @2pm

Yr6 Leavers Service

St James Church -

Parents/Carers Welcome

See the date sheet in Newsletter for more information

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear all,

As we head towards the end of term, the weeks seem busier than ever! The week started off with Yr1 & Yr3 heading into London to look at the sights and land use which is linked to their Geography topics, they had a great time seeing sights such as the London Eye, Big Ben, and Southbank along with many more famous landmarks – look on in the letter for more information! What was lovely to see is that a member of the public who was on the tube with Yr3 were so impressed with them that she wrote a note and gave it to the teachers- I am so proud of the children for representing St James and our values with such dedication and responsibility.

Isaiah 41:10

"Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

This week in worship, we looked at this bible passage. I discussed with the children that this reminds us that someone is always there for us to help us physically and mentally and that if we look at the positive – we will succeed rather than focusing on what has gone wrong. We also read the 'Lost Son' and 'The Good Samaritan' – discussing how in both these parables that you could have no faith in the outcome, but if you think positive a good solution can and will be found. Our prayer this week was:

Heavenly Father, as we continue to learn about positivity help us stay positive even when we are challenged. Thank you for people who are there to help us. Please help us to always ask for help when we need it. Jesus reminds us in these stories this week, that help sometimes comes from people and places that at times we don't expect. To have faith that just like the promise Jesus gave his disciples, that waiting and believing in others, helps us live life with positivity. Amen.

Finally, this week we welcomed our Siam's Inspector, who came to look at our vision and values and the impact it has on our school, our children and the opportunities they are given. She also looked at our RE teaching and that of our daily worship and she was very pleased with what she saw and heard. I look forward to sharing the report with you when it arrives in school, but as you know – I am so proud of our whole community, our children who are committed to their learning, my staff who make learning and being at school so successful, and of course Reverend Ian for supporting us, guiding us and being such an influential and integral part of St James.

Wishing you a joyous weekend in the sunshine and I hope you get to enjoy the outdoors and spend time with each other being thankful, God Bless,

Mrs Everard and all the staff at St James'

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR	Yr1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
93%	99%	97%	99%	99%	97%	94%



Well done to Reception, Yr1, Yr2, Yr3, Yr4 & Yr5 on being in the **GREEN ZONE!** – We nearly did a full week ... we are getting Closer to the end of term so let's see if we can do it before the end of term, all classes in the **GREEN** zone! As we are now in summer, please remember if your child does suffer from hayfever, please ensure that you have given medication or speak to Ella who can give medication if needed, as our wonderful outside space is full of plants and flowers! 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!



celebrate SUCCESS



We are celebrating Victoria (Yr3) this week who goes to Polish school and she took part in a singing competition and had to sing in Polish and this was the certificate she achieved! Amazing Work!



It's been an exciting week for our young athletes! Pupils from Years 5 and 6 enjoyed a fantastic training session at Lea Valley Secondary School, where they took part in a range of drills for both American football and traditional football—showing great energy, teamwork, and enthusiasm throughout.



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 Positivity		
	Year 2	Year 4	Year 6
	<u>Leonard</u>: for his independent work on his beach poetry <u>Olivia</u>: for showing, kindness, compassion and positivity in all things that she does.	<u>Bryan</u>: for showing perseverance and positivity when he has been challenged. <u>Abbas</u>: for showing much better focus and attention during his work and improving the work he produces	<u>David</u>: for working hard, showing happiness and positivity in class and around the school. Isaiah O: for his great acting skills in our play on Aladdin

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



Little WANDler of the week



Congratulations

Brianne(Yr1) for her growing confidence, especially in her blending and decoding in our phonics lesson this week!
 Congratulations also to Yusuf & Teddy for growing in confidence and participation on phonics lessons



Weekly winners

Winners: Attenborough

2nd Ronaldo

3rd Edison

4th Sharkey

**Congratulations to
 Attenborough**

Well done!



ROUNDERS



Our budding cricketers and rounders players from Years 3 to 6 headed to Raglan Primary School for a friendly match. Despite it being their first official game, the St James' team put on an impressive performance and clinched a well-deserved victory with a final score of 19.5 to 16.5. A wonderful afternoon filled with teamwork, determination, and plenty of smiles!

Team: Isaiah E, Nehemias, Sofia, Thomas, Jowell, Adetona, Santi, Desi, Rothneil, Justice & Prossy - Keep up the hard work!

Thank you to Mr Kay, Mr Bunyan and Maria for their support.



	Copper	Steel	Chrome	Glass	Tungsten	Aluminium	Kevlar	Carbon Fibre	Titanium	Bronze	Silver	Gold	Platinum	Diamond
Year 1	Dominion				Mia					Praise				
Year 2	Siyar					Leonard Benjamin	George		Mahmoud	King	William			

We have now launched Numbots in Reception, Yr1 & Yr2

Please help your child log on, develop their skills in maths and gain awards!

Can YOUR child be here next week?



Well done!

Congratulations to Mahmoud, William, Leonard, Benjamin, George & Solomon on achieving success in Numbots – Keep up the hard work

Online Learning Platforms



Letter-join 



Your child has access to all these learning platforms when at home. Please do make time to allow your child to practise their skills – **doing 15 mins daily** on one of the apps/online versions will really help them excel in school and we hope that **YOU** are making the **MOST** out of these opportunities. **If you are unsure of logins – please see your child's class teacher**

Here are some dates for your diary:
Well-being Week: 30th June -4th July 2025

Monday 30th June – Field Events for classes
– Apologies we do not have the space for parents on this day!

Sports Day: Wednesday 2nd July -

- Reception & KS1 9.15am
- Ks2 10.45am

Parents/ Carers are welcome to attend sports day.

Year 1 London Bus Tour!

On Wednesday 25th June, we travelled to the city of London by bus and tube to enjoy a tour of some amazing London sights! We saw Trafalgar Square, the London Eye and Big Ben!



London by Boat

Year 3 had an exciting adventure as we set off on a riverboat trip across the Thames linking to our Geography unit of 'Local and Urban Land.' During our journey we even met a special police sniffer dog at Liverpool St station. Some of us were able to pet him he was super excited and kept wagging his tail.

We boarded the Uber boat at Embankment and cruised along the river, taking in the incredible sights of London's most iconic landmarks. Along the way, we saw the London Eye, the Houses of Parliament, Big Ben, St. Paul's Cathedral, Tower Bridge, and even the majestic Shard towering over the city skyline.

Our journey ended at North Greenwich, where we disembarked and enjoyed a well-earned lunch. The children had time to relax, chat with friends, and play in the fresh air with the backdrop of the O2 behind them.

Before we knew it, it was time to board the boat for our return trip. The children sat back, relaxed, and took in the calming sights and sounds of the river, bringing an end to a fantastic day full of learning, laughter, and London's unforgettable landmarks. and locations.



Important Dates at St James'

Monday 30th June – Field Events (Please ensure the coloured t-shirt for their house is in school) – Apologies NO parents as we don't have room

Wednesday 2nd July 2025 – Sports Day (Parents welcome)

Reception, Yr1, Yr2: 9.15am

Yr3,4,5,6: 10.45am

Thursday 3rd July 2025 - Hyde Park Event

Selected children from Yr1,2,3,4 (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

OAA activity afternoon at Brimsdown school – selected Yr3/4 children (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

Monday 7th July 2025 -Strong Hold event –

Selected Yr5/6 children (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

Tuesday 8th July 2025 – Lea Valley Farm

Selected children from Yr1,2,3 (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

Wednesday 9th July – Yr6 Event to Hyde Park

Yr1 class worship at 9.10am – Yr1 parent and families are welcome to attend

NO CHEER LEADING CLUB

Thursday 10th July 2025 - Yr5 Event to Hyde Park

Yr4 Cedars Park trip linked to rainforest topic – Zoo experience

Rounders Match against Brimsdown for Club until 4.30pm (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

Friday 11th July 2025 – Reception Class Graduation Worship at 9.10am –

Families of Reception are welcome to attend



Reception class are also going on their Trip to 'Little City – a Role Play centre as well as Enfield Town Park (see letter for more details)

Sporting events for girls in KS2 for selected children - (*If your child is attending you will have received a letter*)

Monday 14th June 2025 – Bouncy Castle Day – Letters to follow with details

Yr6 leavers party after school 4.30-7pm

Tuesday 15th July 2025 – Yr6 outing to 'Jump in and Park

Cheer performance at 2.45pm – Families of children who attend Cheer are welcome to watch.

Wednesday 16th July 2025 –

Yr2 – trip to Southend

Yr6 Aladdin Performance to Yr6 families and friends 6pm

Thursday 17th July – Yr4 Last swimming session

Yr6 Leavers Service at Church 2pm – all parents and families are welcome to attend especially Yr6 families

Friday 18th July – final day at school – school finishes at 1.30pm for school holidays

PE Kit for September 2025 onwards



Effective 1st September 2025, the PE uniform colour will change from a white t-shirt to a royal blue t-shirt.

This change applies to all students from Year 1 – Year 6.

- **Shirt colour:** Royal Blue (replacing white)

Book Bags only for Reception to Yr3

NO RUCSACS or other bags will be allowed in these year groups – as all children need for school is their book/reading record and a water bottle. PE kits **MUST** be in a separate bag that is left in school. – We do not have the space to accommodate bags. You can purchase these from the school – see SchoolMoney Shop



Please support us in looking after our books so that as many children can get joy from them as they are sadly being damaged in bags.

School uniform MoneySaving tips

Here are some tips and discounts to help you purchase uniform:



Aldi school uniform full set for £5

In stores only

From **Sunday 29 June**, [Aldi](#) is offering a full school uniform for ages 4-12 for £5, in stores only ([find your nearest](#)), while stocks last.

This is part of Aldi's 'Specialbuys' promotion where stock isn't usually replenished, so go quickly if this is something you're after as it's been very popular in previous years.

What's included?

- Sweatshirt – £1.50, Cardigan – £1.50, 2x polo shirts – £1.75, Girl's pleated skirt – £1.75, Boy's trousers – £1.75, Boy's cargo shorts – £1.75



F&F at Tesco 25% off school uniform*

Online and in stores for Clubcard holders

If you go online to [Tesco*](#) or into store ([find your nearest*](#)), Clubcard holders can get 25% off school uniform **until 11.59pm on Sunday 29 June.**

There's no voucher or code needed, the 25% is automatically applied when you present your Clubcard. If you're not yet a Clubcard member you can [register online*](#) for free to take advantage of 'Clubcard Prices'. Standard delivery's from £3.99.

What can you get?

- [Unisex two pack sweatshirts*](#) – from £3 (were from £4), [Boys two pack regular fit trousers*](#) – from £5.25 (were from £7), [Two pack pleated skirts*](#) – from £5.25 (were from £7), [Two pack pleated pinafores*](#) – from £6.75 (were from £9)

<https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/deals/school-uniform-moneysaving-tips/>

Check out this website for more ideas!



ENFIELD DISPATCH

We are in the local news celebrating our recent 'Ofsted' – take a look:



'Historic moment for Enfield' as every school is rated 'good' or 'outstanding'

Every school in Enfield is now rated 'good' or 'outstanding' by education watchdog Ofsted — making it among the best local areas in the country for state education.

It follows a recent inspection of St James' Church of England Primary School in Brimsdown, which Ofsted now rates as at least 'good' in all areas.

All Enfield schools have now been judged good or better across the four key Ofsted categories of quality of education, behaviour and attitudes, personal development, and leadership and management. The council claims this now places Enfield among just eight local authorities nationwide where every state school in a local authority meets this benchmark. Abdul Abdullahi, the council's cabinet member for children's services, said: "Every child and young person in Enfield attends a school rated at least good in key areas. This is a proud and historic moment for Enfield.

"This is an exceptional achievement, one that speaks volumes about the dedication of our school leaders, teachers, governors, council officers, support staff and families. I would like to thank them all for their tireless work to give every child the best possible start in life. Our partnership approach is making a real difference, and this milestone shows what we can achieve together."

A spokesperson from St James' School said: "We are so proud of what we have achieved together. Our children are outstanding young people, and our staff are committed and dedicated to providing an excellent quality of education. "We are particularly proud to share that we received an outstanding grade for personal development, due to our exceptionally strong emphasis on our children's personal development.

"Over the last three years we have relentlessly focused on raising the standard of education for our young people, whilst also focusing significantly on development of our vision, values, culture, character as well as the experience of school life through the 'St James' Way', which supports children in their development."

The council has previously credited its success in improving local education to years of "strong collaboration" between schools and its education service, helping it to drive down exclusion rates to among the lowest in the country

<https://enfielddispatch.co.uk/>

If you would like to read more stories about the local area – please see the link above