



St James' CE Primary School

Newsletter Issue 1

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

Meet the teacher – Next week
(9th-13th Sept) See newsletter for timings

Wednesday 17th September

Yr6 Meeting Secondary Transfer
5.30pm

Thursday 23rd September 2025

Yr3 Celtic Harmony Trip

Wednesday 1st October

Yr6 trip to Imperial War Museum

Wednesday 8th October

Yr5 trip science Museum

Thursday 9th October

Harvest Festival Service
St James' Church 9.10am

Wednesday 15th October

Yr6 Class assembly 9.10am
Parents and families welcome

Thursday 16th October

Yr4 Trip to St Albans Verulamium

Friday 24th October

INSET DAY –

School closed to ALL pupils

28th October - 1st November

Half term holidays

Return to school

Monday 3rd November at 8.40am

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

A very warm welcome back to a new academic year! I hope you and your families enjoyed a restful and refreshing summer break. It has been wonderful to see the children return this week looking so smart, showing such enthusiasm, ready to learn and embrace all that the year ahead holds. It has been such a wonderful first week back to school – where we have welcomed old and new families to our community. The children have looked so smart in their school uniforms and the enthusiasm and delight at being back at school learning, with their friends has been an absolute joy to see! I hope you will be able to attend the 'meet the teacher Sessions next week. Our school and classrooms are looking fantastic, so thank you to Mr Bunyan for all his hard work over the summer (*see more in the newsletter*) and to the teachers for their hard work in making their classrooms ready, with lovely displays already on show! I would also like to welcome Miss Barnfield (Yr4) to our teaching team and Mrs Adams, who will be an LSA's within our reception & nursery at St James, I am sure that you will welcome them to into our St James' family and that you will get to know them over the course of the year. I know that will make a wonderful addition to our St James' family & school.

I am so pleased to be at the beginning of a new school year and I look forward to working with you and your children in helping them flourish and grow in many ways. We are at St James' committed to providing the very best education, nurturing the whole child not only academically but socially, emotionally and spiritually. Let us step forward into this new year with hope, joy, and confidence, trusting that God will bless our journey together. Have a wonderful weekend and may God bless each one of you for the coming year ahead.

Mrs Everard and all the staff at St James'

ATTENDANCE

EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
81%	98%	90%	97%	98%	91%

This is mixed start to attendance, thank you if you have returned to school on time – it has been so lovely seeing the children in school this week! Well done to Yr2,4 &5 who have started in the green Zone! I hope that next week is a huge improvement! Being in school is so important, especially with the new guidance and rules set out by the government. Being at school, learning, flourishing and growing is so important – Children MUST be at school.



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!

CHRISTMAS!



I know its only September - but please put these dates in your diary

EYFS &KS1 Nativity

9th December at 2.15pm

10th December @ 9.30am

Carol Service @ St James Church

(Yr3,4,5)

Thursday 11th December at 6pm

Christmas jumoers to be worn

Christingle Service

@ School led by Yr6

Thursday 18th December @ 2.15pm



Weekly winners

Winners: Attenborough

2nd Edison

3rd Ronaldo

4th Sharkey

Congratulations to

Attenborough



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.

Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
<p><u>Dejah</u>: for showing great responsibility to her learning and working hard in all areas.</p> <p><u>Denis</u>: for making a great start to his Year 1 class</p>	<p><u>Kayla</u>: for her enthusiasm and joy of learning in all areas this week.</p> <p><u>Deborah</u>: for being so committed to her learning and showing our St James way in all areas.</p>	<p><u>Ayden</u>: for making a great start to Year 5 and showing commitment to his learning especially in making the right choices.</p> <p><u>Izabel</u>: for taking great responsibility in her learning</p>

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





Summer Reading Challenge

Swimming Awards



Congratulations to Kayla, William & Victoria on completing the Summer Reading Challenge at the Library!
We are so proud of you!

Congratulations to Tawain, Abbas, Ayden, Benjamin & Kavali on their achieving a selection of swimming awards from Year 4.
We are so proud of you!

HISTORY & GEOGRAPHY HOMEWORK AWARDS



This week Brianne & Jessica (Yr2) created a seasons tree, Dannielle (Yr2) created a seasons tree and a fact file on Africa! Jasmine (Yr6) made a spitfire from a cupboard tube linked to their WW2 and finally Penelope (Yr5) created the stars and stripes linked to their study of America
We are so proud of you!

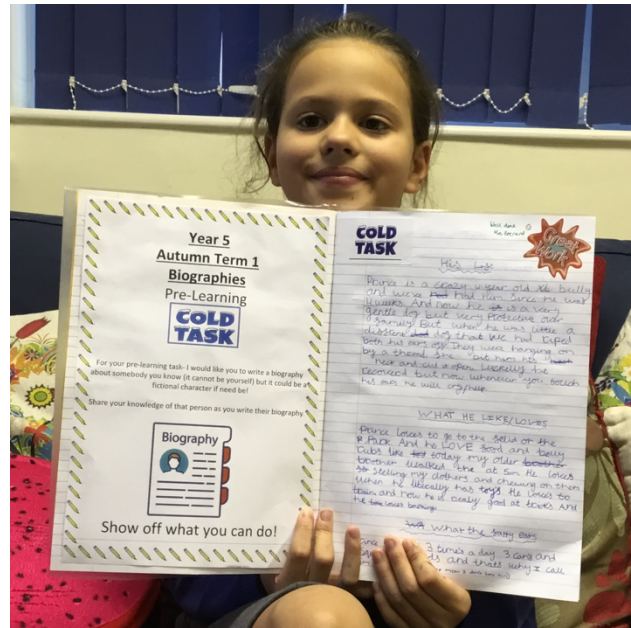


Can YOU be here next week with your Homework linked to your Humanities?

Congratulations to Destiny (Yr5) who brought her first piece of English work to show me, she wrote a lovely biography all about her dog – Prince.

Mr Kay was so impressed with the focus in class and the use of paragraphing and punctuation! A great start Destiny!

We are so proud of you!



I am looking forward to celebrating more children and their successes – so I challenge you – can you get your photo in the newsletter?



MEET THE TEACHER!

- Year 1: Wednesday 10th Sept 8.40am
- Year 2: Tuesday 9th September at 3pm
- Year 3: Wednesday 10th September at 3pm
- Year 4: Monday 8th September at 3pm
- Year 5: Thursday 11th September at 3pm
- Year 6: Wednesday 17th September at 5.30pm

(This is so we can discuss Secondary School Transfer)

We have scheduled these sessions at the start or end of the day for approximately 10-15 mins – for you to know about the year ahead and meet the class teacher.

Please take a look at the new travel proposal from safer Streets:

Safer Streets in Enfield: 20mph Speed Limits

Enfield Council is proposing to introduce 20mph speed limits on residential streets and roads in town centres — part of our wider plan to make the borough safer, cleaner and greener for everyone. Speed was a contributing factor to 61% of recorded injury-related collisions in Enfield over the past 5 years. Evidence shows that lower speed limits reduces the number of accidents and makes everyone feel safer in their local areas.

We want your views on our 20mph proposals. Your feedback will help shape how we roll out these changes to benefit the whole community. Find out more and take the survey at <https://letstalk.enfield.gov.uk/20mph> by Sunday 21 September 2025

PE Kit

Children need to bring their PE kit into school in a labelled bag. They should bring their bag to school on a Monday and if needed take home on a Friday for washing. PE kits **MUST** stay in school.

Children MUST get changed for PE - they cannot just wear their uniform.

School uniform should be worn to school every day – this is part of our responsibility and respect in our school values to show the pride we have in being a child at our school.

Please ensure all uniform is labelled so that lost items can be returned, especially coats, jumpers, lunchboxes.

Your child should have the following kit for their PE Lessons - IT MUST BE IN SCHOOL

PE TIMETABLE - Autumn Term		
Year Group	Indoor	Outdoor
Reception	Monday	Friday
Year 1	Monday	Thursday
Year 2	Tuesday	Thursday
Year 3	Friday	Wednesday
Year 4	Friday	Wednesday
Year 5	Tuesday	Friday
Year 6	Tuesday	Thursday



Outdoor PE Kit

Plain Royal Blue T-shirt
Blue/ Black shorts
Jumper/Hoodie/zip up jacket
Blue/Black Joggers

All jewellery Must be removed



Indoor PE Kit

Plain Royal Blue T-shirt
Blue/black shorts
Plimsolls
All jewellery Must be removed



Book Bags only for Reception, Yr1, Yr2, & Yr3

NO RUCSACS or other bags will be allowed in these year groups – as all the 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 the school office or the shop online.**





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

Parents and Carers are children's first educators and teachers. This is something most people agree on.

As a parent, you are not just 'mum' or 'dad'. You are also a nurse, doctor, cook, teacher, coach, therapist, driver and cleaner – with no time off and no instruction manual!

We know that parenting can be hard work and that all parents and carers (including fathers) need help and support from time to time.

In Enfield, families remain front and centre of our vision, so this directory has a range of parenting resources for every stage of a child's development. All resources included are aimed at strengthening parents' and carers' knowledge, confidence, and skills to promote positive development right from the start.

THANK YOU!



Whilst the summer holidays were a time for a break from school, Mr Bunyan – our site manager was very busy working – he has made our new train planter which is now installed on the field – so please take a look. He has also fitted new doors in the hall, fixed, repaired and made lots of furniture, finished the work within our new nursery room, painted corridors and our Year 5 classroom, as well as making sure the school was looking lovely for our return! We are so grateful to have such a talented site manager!