Autumn Term 2025 Friday 21st November 2025

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

Tuesday 25th November

Yr5 class worship at 9.10am – Parents & Carers Welcome

Wednesday 26th November

Yr5 Cinema trip

Parents Consultation 2-7pm

School closes at 1.30pm – please ensure you have booked

Thursday 27th November

Yr5 trip to the National Gallery

Reception class – Christmas Experience Trip based on the 'Christmas Story'

(Please ensure that you have made payment on. Arbor)

Tuesday 2nd December

Yr1 & Yr2 – Sleeping Beauty Theatre trip at Alexander Palace

(Please ensure that you have made payment on. Arbor)

Monday 1st December 2025

Xmas Disco – Reception & Year 1 3.15pm until 4.15pm

Wednesday 3rd December 2025

Xmas Disco

Year 2 & 3 – 3.15pm -until 4.20pm

Year 4,5,6 4.45pm -5.45pm

See Christmas dates below for all our events

School finishes on Friday 19th December at 1.30pm

A message from Mrs Everard

Dear All,

What a fantastic, busy and full on week we have had at St James'. There is so much news to share with you! The week started with our focus on 'Walk2school' Week' Our Eco team alongside Mrs Williams, led a worship all about how to be safe as peadesttrians and also how to be safe if we travel in a car, they also looked at the importance of walking, cycling or scooting to school.

On Wednesday we had our very special 'Monarch's Day' that was organised by Mrs Goodsion as Humanities Lead and a huge thank goes to YOU as parents for supporting this event as the costumes and crowns were phemomenal! It was an action packed day with the children learning all about a particular monarch, creating a nursery rhyme about them as well as desgning a coat of arms for St James'. The children also had a banquet lunch where the staff served the children at the tables where they enjoyed a traditional roast dinner and victoria sponge! The Kitchen staff did a fabulous job! It was such a wonderful day, seeing the children enthused and excited about history but also how they developed skills and knowledge through the activities planned. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Goodison for the organisation and planning as well as all the teachers and staff for the smooth running of the day!

Finally, we had a sporting competition on Thursday, where some elite year 5 and 6 children took part in an athletics competition and we were successful in achieving 2nd place. Today our Year 3 class represented us at the Autumn term singing Festival at St Georges' Church, where they performed in front of the schools that attended but they also got to be in the audience too! A truly spiritual event and achievement by the children!

Next week we welcome you to our 1st Parents consultation appointments on Wednesday 26th November, I am so looking forward to you seeing the school, classrooms and the amazing work that is on display and in the children's books – please do ensure you have booked an appointment on our arbor app and if you have any difficulties please either call the office or pop in and get some support. Wishing you a hopefully warmer weekend, kind regards and God Bless,

Mrs Everard and all the staff at St James'



ATTENDANCE
EVERY DAY COUNTS!

YR1	Yr2	Yr3	Yr4	Yr5	Yr6
96%	97%	91%	98%	93%	95%

Well done to Yr1, Yr2, Yr4 &Yr 6 for being in the green Zone for attendance,

We are now into the season of illness- so please remind children about tissues in bins, washing hands and wearing a coat to school. 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 TIMINGS

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!



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 jumpers to be worn

Christmas Dinner/Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17th December

Christingle Service @ School led by Yr6
Thursday 18th December @ 2.15pm



Weekly winners

Winners: Sharkey
2nd Ronaldo
3rd Attenbourgh
4th Edison

Congratulations to Sharkey

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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.		
Year 1	Year 3	Year 5
Ariel: Being an excellent role model and consistently working hard in class Malawi: showing our class value of respect towards others and settling in so well to her new class.	Benjamin: for showing determination in his learning and always trying to succeed Rio: for setting in so well to his new class and showing his skill in his learning this week	Joel: for trying really hard to communicate his ideas to the adults so that he understands the work. Justice: for always giving up his time to do jobs for others or be supportive to others in their learning
We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations!		



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Little Wandle phonics Superstar



Well done to Clara and Alicja for their hard work and focus in phonics this week

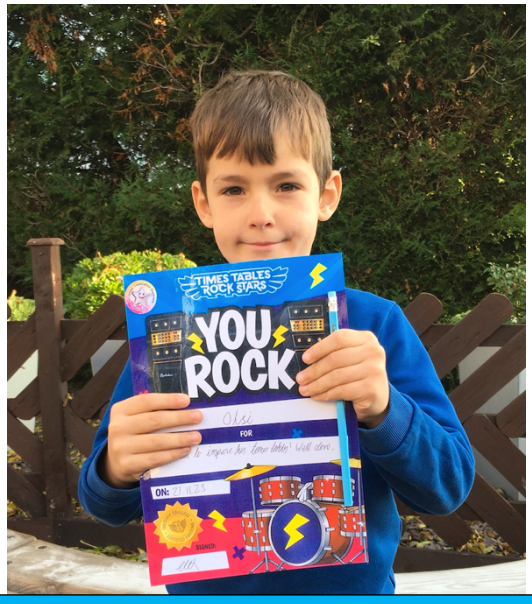
Reading buddies



Well done to Torianna & Caterina for their amazing partnership through 'Reading buddies'

We are so proud of you!

(Yr6 are given a reading buddy and their target is to support the enjoyment of reading)



Congratulations to **Osli Yr3** for a huge improvement and focus on TTRS and the huge improvement in his TTRs speed and skills over this term. We are so proud of you

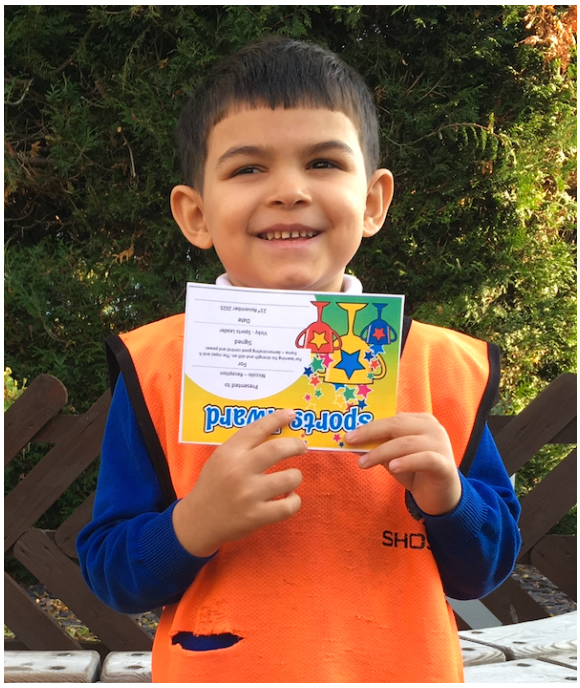


Congratulations to **Donald** for achieving her first award on Numbots

Sports Award

Niccolo– Reception
For his strength, skill and agility in gymnastics , especially using the ropes and A-frame. He is able to climb, flip and hold – which is very skilled

Jasmine – Year 6
For being a great 'Tiger teams' assistant and supporting the younger children in developing skill, accuracy and competence



CONGRATULATIONS!



Sports Hall Athletics Competition

Our elite athletes' took part in the 'Sports Hall Athletic' Competition , where they had to complete a field event (throwing, jumping) and then compete in different relays. It was a wonderful sporty afternoon and the children achieved 2nd place overall – I am so proud of the determination and focus the child gave individually and as a team – Well done!



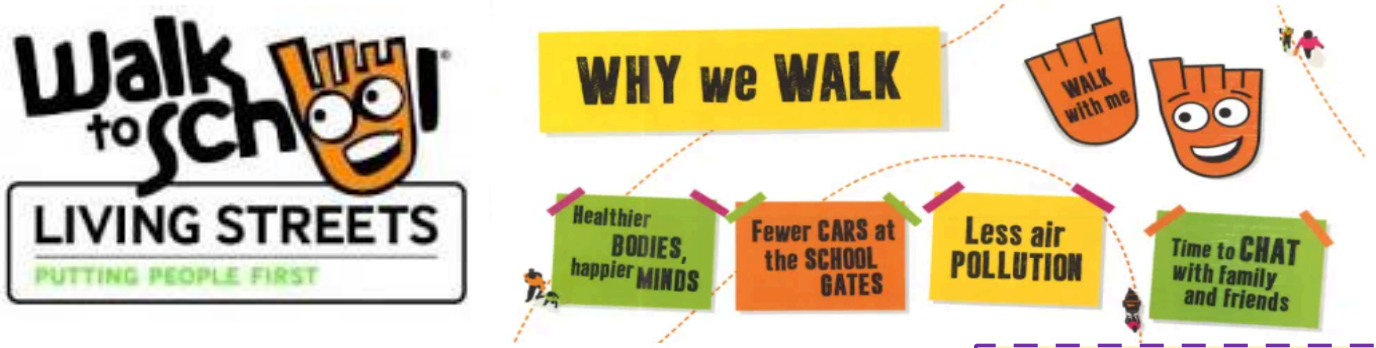




History & Geography Homework Heroes



This week we celebrated Brianna for her creation of a house during the 'Great Fire of London 'along with a drawing of this by Abrianna (Yr2) ariel created her own snow globe from a kit linking to their unit on weather and finally Penelope in Year 5 created some Anglo-Saxons facts and shield, where she could talk in such detail about her learning! – Well done to all children.





This week we have worked hard on looking at how we can be healthier by walking, scooting, cycling to school. Our eco team lead a worship on this and we revised the 'Green Cross Code'. We have also this week explored the advantages to our environment and the wellbeing of ourselves as it encourages conversations and enjoyment of our local area as well as it being a good type of exercise to keep us healthy Well done!

Click link for advice

https://www.bing.com/videos/riverview/relatedvideo?q=road+safety+video+tfl&mid=D600B58EE3FE281BDF2AD600B58EE3FE281BDF2A&FORM=VIRE



We have also achieved our 'Bronze Accreditation' from TFL as we are more active and making healthier journeys! So well done to YOU our families for helping us achieve this!





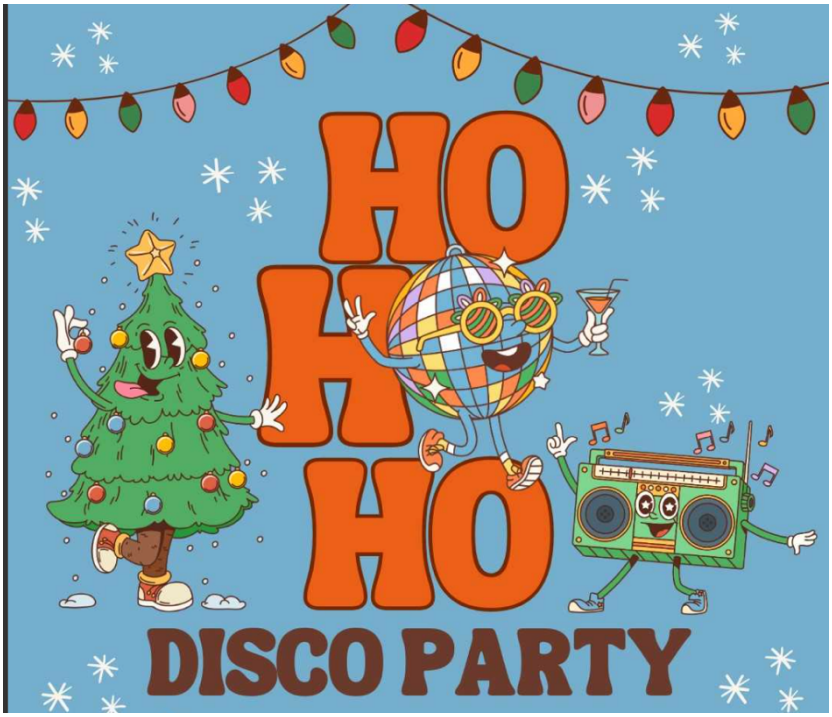
Our Year 3 children have been working hard learning two songs as part of this terms Autumn Singing Festival with Enfield Music Team and they went to St Georges Church alongside some other schools to sing together and perform their own school songs. Please do click on the QR code to enjoy listing and watching their performances!

Thank you to Mrs Williams for working hard and arranging this fantastic event for the children!

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Here is the information on the 'Fun' Christmas" events coming up!



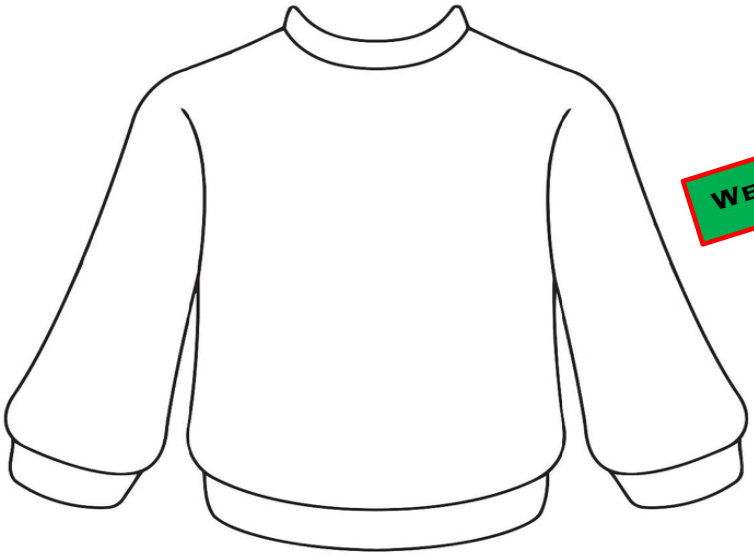
RECEPTION & YEAR 1
MONDAY 1ST DECEMBER
3.15PM – 4.15PM

YEAR 2 + YEAR 3
WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER
3.20PM – 4.20PM

YEAR 4, 5, 6
WEDNESDAY 3RD DECEMBER
4.45PM–5.45PM

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 Friday 5th December



Christmas Jumper day

AND

Christmas Dinner day

WEDNESDAY 17TH DECEMBER



