# 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:

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| Autumn 1 : Responsibility | Spring 1: Perseverance | Summer 1: Courage |
| Autumn 2 : Friendship | Spring 2 : Trust | Summer 2: Positivity |

## Dates for your Diary

**Into Film Festivals**

**Monday 23rd November**
Kensukes Kingdom **- Yr5**

**Tuesday 24th November**
Spiderman **Yr6**

**Wednesday 25th November**
Beautiful Planet - Yr3, Eco Team & selected pupils *(if your child is attending you will be informed)*

**Thursday 26th November**
Yr5 class worship at 9.10am in school hall.
Parents welcome from Yr5

Sports Hall Athletics Competition

**Monday 30th – Wednesday 2nd December**
Gymnastics competition for all year groups *(if your child is attending you will be informed)*

**Tuesday 1st December**
Nursery & reception trip to -Christmas Experience in Enfield Town

**Wednesday 2nd December 2026**
Christmas disco at St James' – 3.15-6pm
***details to follow***

**Friday 4th December 2026**
Yr5 Trip – National Gallery - linked to RE

**EYFS &KS1 Nativity**
8th December at 2.15pm
9th December @ 9.30am

**Carol Service @ St James Church (Yr3,4,5)**
Thursday 10th December at 6pm

**Wednesday 16th December 2026**
Christmas Dinner and Jumper day

**Thursday 17th December 2026**
Yr6 Christingle Service at 2.15pm in hall

**Friday 18th December**
Christmas holidays start at 1.30pm

Dear All,




We are truly in the feel of autumn with the windy and wet weather, and the darker nights! This week has been full of fantastic opportunities for our children to grow and learn in their friendship and kindness as part of our wellbeing week. The week kicked off with our 'Odd Socks celebrating our differences and how we all contribute to our class and school; it also celebrates what makes us all unique and marks our participation in national anti-bullying celebrations. The theme for the UK-wide anti-bullying campaign this year was **'Break the Silence'**, encouraging children to start conversations about bullying, speak up, listen and take action together. Within in class we have had posters, drama, and time creating songs and understanding how they can break the silence alongside our focus on what makes a good friend, and how we can be open to everyone. This is such an important life skill now and in the future.

In addition to anti-bullying, there was also a national campaign around road safety this week, which we were pleased to be a part of. The Eco Team showed courage and responsibility in delivering a fantastic collective worship on Tuesday, which demonstrated how we can all travel to school safely and sustainably. We want to encourage all pupils to walk, scoot or cycle all or some of the way to school using the tips that the Eco Team gave them for taking care to cross roads safely. Thank you to Mrs Williams for all her hard work and in organising activities for the children this week!




We also this week began our cinema visits, which is a great opportunity to have a fun trip with their class and to enjoy the experience of being in a cinema. These are continuing next week too! I hope that if your child has been on their visit that they had great fun! Next week we have Yr5, Yr6 and a mixed group of children visiting.

With wellbeing week coming to an end, Christmas celebrations and rehearsals are in full swing, and even a Christmas tree and grotto has started to appear! (and its only November ….) Wishing you a wonderful weekend and here's to the countdown to Christmas!

**God Bless, Mrs Everard & the Staff**




# ATTENDANCE
## EVERY DAY COUNTS!

| Nur | YR | Yr1 | Yr2 | Yr3 | Yr4 | Yr5 | Yr6 |
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| 88% | 91% | 95% | 98% | 91% | 99% | 98% | 94% |

A mix of attendance this week – Well done to Yr1/Yr2, Yr4 and Yr5 for being in the green Zone. I know it is now that time for colds/ sniffles/ coughs etc so please try really hard to encourage your child to wear a coat to school, use the hand sanister in school as well as tissues in bins and hands covering mouths! Being in school is so important, especially with the updated 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**
8th December at 2.15pm
9th December @ 9.30am

**Carol Service @ St James Church (Yr3,4,5)**
Thursday 10th December at 6pm
Christmas jumpers to be worn

**Wednesday 16th Decemeber**
Christmas Dinner & Jumper Day

**Christingle Service @ School led by Yr6**
Thursday 17th December @ 2.15pm

**Little Wandle phonics Superstars**



Congratulations to Matei, Nannette and Florence who are working really hard in phonics and in their reading sessions and class sounds this week!



Autumn Term 2026 Friday 20th November 2026

# 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. | | |
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| Year 1 | Year 3 | Year 5 |
| Ezekiel: for showing kindness when a friend is hurt or upset- you are a very caring young man!<br>Florence: for being a super hard worker and always being ready to learn! | Neyram: for being a caring and responsible member of year 3<br>Solomon: for always putting in 1001% effort into all his work and being so determines to succeed. | Malaika: for always being a kind and supportive friend.<br>Boaz: for his amazing effort at learning his lines for the class worship next week. |
| We are so proud of you for your success in class - Congratulations | | |






# History & Geography Homework Awards



**Congratulations to Neyram (Yr3) for her stone age house, Naod for an amazing drawing of different locations (Yr4) Blessing, Nataley & Zohal (Yr1) for creating a rainbow and weather pictures linked to their topic and finally Aniyah for her creating fantastic artistic skills of 'The Great Fire of London'. CAN YOU BE HERE NEXT WEEK?**

This week the winning house was: Edison







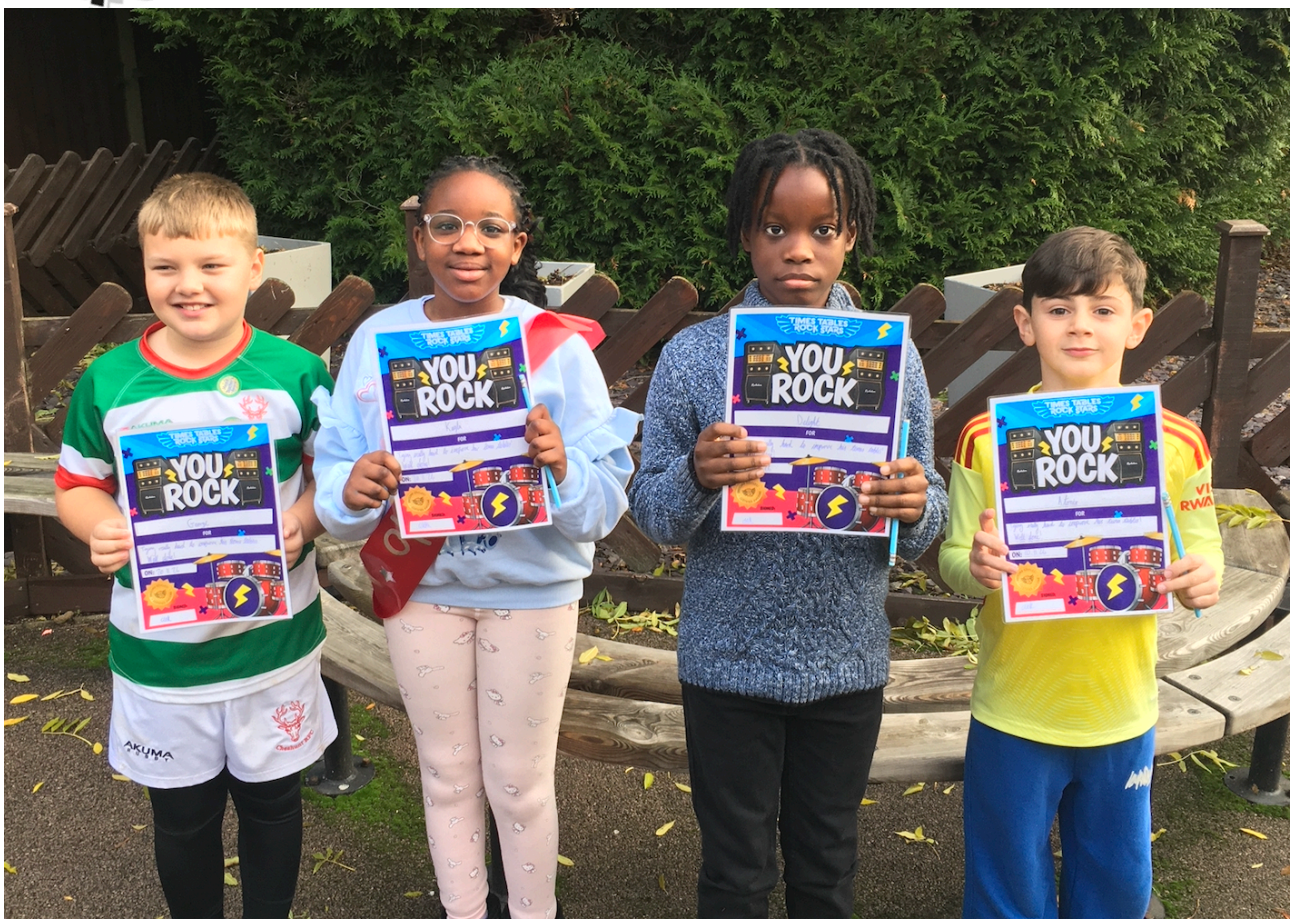






Well done to George (Yr4) for his great rhythm and dance skills as well as Donald (Yr2) for a great improvement in his ball skills

Each week, we will celebrate a child from Yr3/4/5/6 – who have shown commitment, skill, focus and determination in developing, refining as well as developing a quicker speed in TTRS
**We are so proud of you!**




**We are celebrating AntiniosYr3, George Yr4, Delight Yr5 and Kayla Yr6 – for their hard work, commitment and development on TTRS**




Well done to Rio and his sister Malawi for achieving awards in their swimming lessons!

