



# St James' RC Primary Weekly Newsletter

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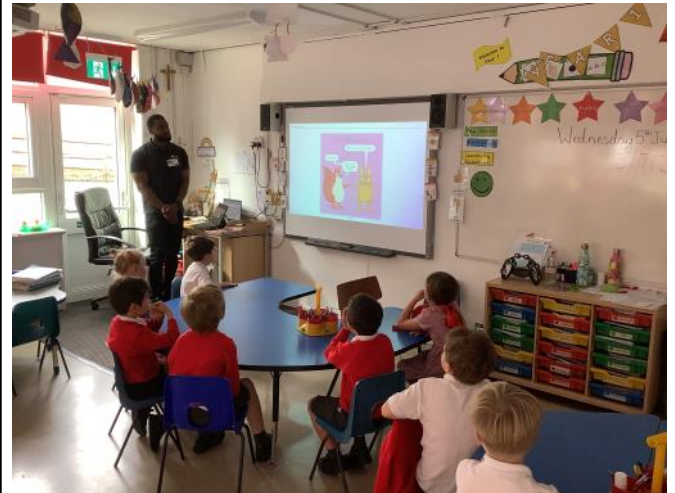
## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents,

I want to start by thanking The Robert Dyas shop in Bromley for presenting the school with a gardening gift in recognition of the work that had gone into our Bromley Planter.



This week saw the remainder of this term's HSBC money workshops. The focus for this term was Financial Skills for Work. Reception explored why we go to work to earn money. Year 1 had a story based session learning about the choices we make with our money. Year 2 were introduced to the idea of having a bank account for when you get paid. Also, Year 3 and Year 4 were making connections between value for money and budgeting as well as fraud and identity theft.



Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 were lucky enough to take part in a Drama Workshop on Thursday. The theme this term was Peter Pan.



We ended our week with the Year 5 and Year 6 Dress Rehearsal and Performances of Oliver. The children have clearly worked so hard. The commitment and dedication of both Year 5 and Year 6 was inspirational and I cannot thank them enough for the joy that they gave us and the memories that they made for us. Huge thanks of course also go to Mrs Connolly and Miss Atkinson who I am in awe of. How lucky I am to work with such talented people. I know that there are many others that helped to make this possible and I want to thank all the staff, the parents and the ex-pupils that worked so incredibly hard. I have

received a lovely message and donation to the school from the residents of Southmore Court Residential Home who watched the Dress Rehearsal and thoroughly enjoyed it.



We are looking forward to welcoming parents to our **Walk Around Evening on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July from 3:30 to 5:30** when your children are able to show you their present classroom and their work. Class teachers will also be in the classrooms if you would like to discuss anything with them. If you want to talk about any concerns that you have from the end of year reports please contact the class teacher via the office so that they can make appointment to see you on Walk Around Evening. The children will also be able to show you their new classroom and introduce you to their new teacher.

We have been holding a competition this term to see which class had the best weekly attendance and I am pleased to announce that Reception and Year 2 have both won. **Year 2 are going to have their own clothes day on 17th July and Reception will have theirs on the 19th July.**

Teachers are holding Transition Meetings over the next couple of weeks to discuss individual children as we prepare for transition. Mrs Richards, our SENCO, and I also attend these meetings and we find them extremely beneficial as one teacher passes on data and information to the next teacher. We are very proud of our smooth transition procedure.

We hope that you enjoy reading your children's reports which are being sent home today. We receive the Year 6 SATs results next week so they will follow. You will find your child's attendance record for this year with their report so please see the attached Attendance Information in relation to this. Please also see the Parent Questionnaires that are being sent home to you today. We value your thoughts about what we are doing well and what we could do better. **Please send them back to school by Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July.**

God bless and have a lovely time at the PTA Summer Ball if you are going.

Mrs Weeks

#### Dates for your diary

#### July

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30 Dance Show for parents

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Sports Morning

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> –Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Sport Week

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 9:05 Gymnastics Show for parents

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> 1:15 Helen O'Grady Performance for parents

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Summer Walk 9:15 (If Reserve Sports Morning is not needed)

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Reserve Sports Morning

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> KS2 Reading Passports in

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Cricket Club to Lords

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> 3:30-5:30 Walk Around Evening (All parents welcome)

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Own Clothes Day

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Parent Questionnaire returned

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Summer Reading Challenge Assembly

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> KS2 Reading Passport Assembly

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> 11 am Meet the Teacher for all



children

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Talent Show for children

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Reception Own Clothes Day

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> Year 1 to Mudchute Farm

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> 10 am Whole School Mass Leavers (Y6)

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> Last day of term and school ends at normal time

### Word on Wednesday

This Week's Word is COMPANION. A good companion is priceless and helps us to make the best of ourselves. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus offers his companionship to us and invites us to go to him to rest and to be refreshed. Some Year 5 children this week led Collective Worship for KS2 and discussed how they could be good companions.

### Safeguarding

Please inform the office by 9:30 if your child is ill and will not be attending school. We will follow up with a home visit if we cannot contact you and have not heard from you by 9:30.

### Activity Passports

At St James' we complete the Department for Education Activity Passports. These include lots of exciting activities for the children to do at school and at home. There are approximately 15 activities to complete in school and 5 activities for the children to complete at home every year. Please can you notify your class teacher next week to confirm which of the activities were completed at home.

### Buzzers Academy

Please see the attached flyer for activities taking place at St James' during the summer holidays

### Other News

Last weekend, Francesca (Y4) competed in the Kent Badminton Futures Tournament at Medway Park, Kent. Over 200 children participated in the tournament. Francesca competed and won in 3 divisions:

Gold in Kent Girls Singles Under 10

Bronze in Kent Girls Singles Under 12

Gold in Kent Girls Doubles Under 12

She won 15 matches in total and lost only 1. We are proud of Francesca and her badminton achievements



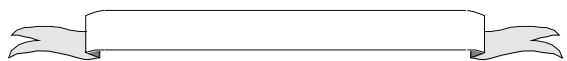
Agustin (Y5) and his Mum ran a 5K 'race for cancer' Agustin was one of the top 15 in the race.

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/carolinas-giving-page-24>



## AWARDS

### Headteacher Awards



Rec	Chloe
Year 1	Lucas
Year 2	Hugo
Year 3	Maura & Nishca
Year 4	Cameron
Year 5	Joe & Maia
Year 6	Emelia &



### KS1 AWARDS

Year	Gold Sticker Award		Golden Promises
Rec	Lyndon	Luca	Thaara
Year 1	Julius	Lucas	Phoebe
Year 2	Theo	Mia	George

### KS2 AWARDS

Year	Respect in class	Pride in work
Year 3	Callum	Symeon
Year 4	Francesca	Xanthe
Year 5	Chloe	Noah
Year 6	Lucas	Iona

Congratulations to **Mai-Linh** who is the winner of the Courtesy Cup this week

## ATTENDANCE

Class	Attendance (%)	Occasions Late
Rec	96.67	0
Y1	95.33	0
Y2	99.0	0
Y3	96.25	0
Y4	93.75	0
Y5	97.19	0
Y6	95.0	0

Congratulations to Y2 who had the best attendance last week.

### WEEKLY WINNERS

Year	Number of wins
Rec	4
Y1	0
Y2	4
Y3	0
Y4	0
Y5	1
Y6	1

Congratulations to Reception Class and Year 2 as they are our termly winners.

## PTA NEWS

We hope everyone who is going to the Summer Ball tomorrow is looking forward to it. There are lots of fantastic prizes which have been donated for the silent auction including sports tickets and a big screen TV! There will also be table games with opportunities to win big prizes so make sure you bring cash with you.

And now for another reminder on match funding....

### **Can you double the funds with match funding?!**

If you helped on a stall at the Summer Fair and you work for an organisation that has a match funding policy, any money the stall raised could be matched by your employer. Banks, building societies, supermarket chains and large corporations usually offer match funding. Smaller or independent companies may also be interested in charitable giving through match funding so it's worth checking. If your employer supports match funding, please get in touch at [pta.stjamesprimary@gmail.com](mailto:pta.stjamesprimary@gmail.com). This is a great way to make all your fundraising efforts go even further.

The summer term PTA meeting will be held at school on **Wednesday 12th July at 6:30** and everyone is welcome to attend.

Friday ice creams are still going strong. Thank you to everyone who has helped support this.

