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ST JAMES' C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER - 7th February 2020

Something to be proud of

This week we are proud of all of Ivy Class. On Monday they visited St Paul's Cathedral to learn about its history and how it was built. The pupils investigated the different shapes they could find in the cathedral and used their knowledge to construct their own archway. The children represented the school fantastically and learned lots of new vocabulary. We even have some budding architects in Ivy Class now!



Athletic competition

On Wednesday, eight of our Year 3 and 4 pupils entered an athletic event at Langdon Academy along with fifteen other schools. Although we were not placed in the top 5, our pupils conduct and behaviour was outstanding our pupils: Alban, Alexandra, King, Layali, Miriam, Mamadou, Ras and Renee, represented St James' C of E Junior school very well. Well done to all of you.



Debate Mate

On Thursday, our debate teams took part in their first debating competition of the year. Each team debated two motions: 'Should zoos be banned?' and 'Should children under the age of 18 be banned from watching television?' We are very pleased to report that out of four debates our teams won 3. Well done, to all those in the debate teams: Bubacari, Charles, Glory, Hajar, Hamza, Ishaq, Kalisah, Kian, Noah, Tayyab, Tej, Temi and Yahyah.

Y6 Booster classes

There is **no booster** class for the Year 6 pupils on Thursday, 13th February 2020. All pupils will finish school at 3.15pm

Maths times table's champions of the week.

This week at St James' the following children were our times table's champions and were awarded with a certificate: Safa, Ivy class; Kristen, Sunflower class; Fahim Iris class; Ihsaan, Lily class; Yahya, Daisy class; Mehraj, Poppy class; Bubacari, in Clover class; and Nurul in Orchid class.

Attendance and Punctuality

The class with the most punctual pupils, last week, was Iris. Well done to everyone in Iris class.

Reading tip

• When you are reading, identify the 5Ws- Who, What, Where, When and Why. This will help you with answering retrieval questions about a text you are reading.

Online safety tip

• Encourage your child to use nicknames instead of their full name online, especially on social media and online games.

After school clubs

We have a number of spaces available in Sewing, Maths, E-cadets and Yoga club, if you would like your child to join an after school club please go to the main school office. Please ensure that your child is collected promptly from school at 4.30 pm.

Dates for your Diary

| Event | Date / Time |
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| Sunflower class Visit to St Paul's Cathedral | Tuesday, 25 th February 2020 |

The school's term dates and holiday dates have been published on the school's website:

www.st-james.newham.sch.uk

Please check this before booking holidays and to ensure that you are aware of planned school closures.

Enjoy the weekend

Mrs Boland-Bourne & Mrs Hall
Co-Headteachers