



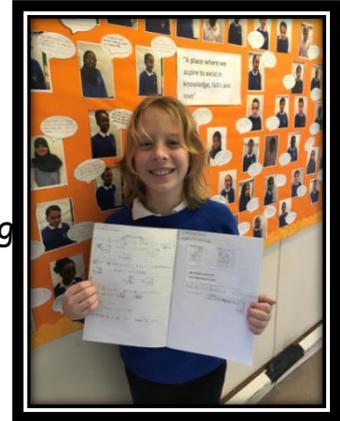
A place where we aspire to excel in knowledge, faith and love."

ST JAMES' C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - 6th March 2020

Something to be proud of

This week we are proud of Dylan for his resilience when attempting to find the most effective methods when solving reasoning problems. He used his 'be curious' learning power by ensuring that he did not settle for one method but challenged himself to find various methods.



World Book Day

On Thursday, 5th March, St James' celebrated World Book Day. The theme for this year was 'Share a Million Stories,' and as part of this the pupils took part in an author master class and used their top tips to write their own story. The children also learned about the importance of sharing stories and shared their favourite books and characters with their peers. Teachers also took part and went to different classes to share their favourite stories!

As part of the celebrations, pupils and staff also came to school dressed as their favourite book character. Costumes were judged and winners were chosen from each year group. Well done to all of the children that took part and our costume competition winners! Abubakar, Ayyub, Bruno, Layali, Russel and Taibah,





Reading tip

- Encourage your child to use expression when he/she is reading, especially for the voices of different characters.

Book Swap

Well done and thank you to all of the children that took part in St James' first book swap! Lots of pupils donated books that they no longer needed to the school in exchange for book swap tokens. On World Book Day, the children then had the opportunity to swap their tokens for books that had been donated. The pupils who took part had great fun selecting new books and went home very happy!

Geography Bee

On Wednesday 4th March 2020 pupils from St James' took part in a Geography Bee competition at Elmhurst Primary School. Sixteen schools participated in this event where the children were



tested on their geography knowledge of capital cities, countries, flags languages and landmarks. Four year 5 children represented St James' at this competition: Isabelle, Noah, Tej and Zohaib. The children did very well and we are very proud of them.

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: Ibraheem , in Ivy class; Yusuf in Sunflower class; ,Mahdi, in Iris class; Afif, in Lily class; Fanta, in Daisy class; Noah, in Poppy class; Zeba, in Clover class; and Henriquetta, in Orchid class.

Quiz focus for week beginning 9th March 2020

How much do you know about?

Y3 - Continent and Oceans

Y4 - Hot and cold places

Y5 & Y6 - Name the countries within the UK and their capital cities

There are prizes to be won.



Online safety tip

Choose your online battles carefully. If you are overly critical about everything being discussed online, you will force your child into the shadows.



Letters Home

- Brilliant club launch
- Y4 British Museum
- Y5 Greener schools
- Debate Mate
- Home learning project - whole school
- Information on Coronavirus - whole school

Dates for your Diary

Event	Date / Time
Y4 Iris class visit British museum	Monday, 9 th March 2020
Debate Mate competition	Monday, 9 th March 2020
Y4 Lily class visit British museum	Wednesday, 11 th March 2020
West End in schools performance	Friday, 13 th March 2020
Brilliant club visiting St Johns College	Wednesday, 18 th March 2020 Pupils return to school at 5.30pm
Y4 Easter experience	Wednesday, 25 th March 2020
Last day of term	Friday, 3 rd April 2020
Parent / carer evening	Tuesday, 28 th April 4pm - 6pm
Parent / carer evening	Thursday, 30 th April 5pm -7pm

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.

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Co-Headteachers