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**ST JAMES' C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL**  
**NEWSLETTER - 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022**

Message from  
Mrs Boland-  
Bourne  
Headteacher



This has been a very productive term. We have been able to go on educational visits and complete many activities (not limited by Covid-19). I want to thank parents and carers for consistently sending your children to school. Our attendance this term has been 95% - a fantastic achievement!

**Save the date-** On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May, the school will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Children can come to school dressed in red, white and blue or as a King or Queen. More details will follow next term.

This term, we bid farewell to our Officer Manager, Mrs Sharon Davis, who is retiring. We thank her for all of her hard work and support over the years and wish her all the best for the future. Have a great Easter holidays. School will reopen on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April** to pupils and staff.

Easter Activities

Newham are running free activities for children and young people to start the celebration of the up and coming 10 year anniversary of London 2012. Come and try a variety of Olympic and Paralympic sports. Sessions include:  
Combat Sports (Taekwondo, Judo, Karate and Boxing)  
Racquet Sports (Tennis, Badminton and Table Tennis)  
Team Sports (Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Hockey, Handball, Baseball/Softball and Rugby)

Venues

Central Park, High Street South, East Ham, E6 6ET  
Keir Hardie Recreation Ground, Tarling Road, Canning Town E16 1LQ

New Beckton Park, Savage Gardens, East Ham E6 5NB  
Plashet Park, Plashet Grove, Forest Gate E6 1DQ  
Stratford Park, West Ham Lane, Stratford E15 4PT

Dates

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2022 - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Times/Ages:

5-11 years      12-2pm  
12-16 years    2-4pm

Bookings

Book your child's place on the Easter Holiday programme at:  
[https://newham\\_easter\\_youth\\_activity.eventbrite.co.uk/](https://newham_easter_youth_activity.eventbrite.co.uk/)  
For more information please contact:  
[sports@activenewham.org/](mailto:sports@activenewham.org/)  
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### Athletics team

Congratulations to our Year 3 and 4 Girls Athletics Team: Zoe, Zeliha, Hafsa, Ivayla, Grace, Neuza and Annabelle who came 7th in a tournament at Langdon Academy. They did exceptionally well in the relay races and won 4 out of 6!



### TT Rockstars

Congratulations this week to our 3 most improved TT Rockstars:  
Well done!

1. Lucia
2. Mohamed
3. Kenzo



### Something to be proud of

This week during our history lesson, Jeziah in Sunflower class created a wonderful description of how a Celtic warrior should prepare for a battle. He included lots of key vocabulary which showed his great understanding of the lesson. Well done!

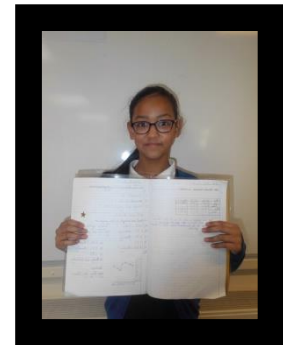


Rashane from Iris class should be very proud of himself this week as he has been working very hard to improve his times tables knowledge. He has halved his time on TT Rockstars! Very well done Rashane!

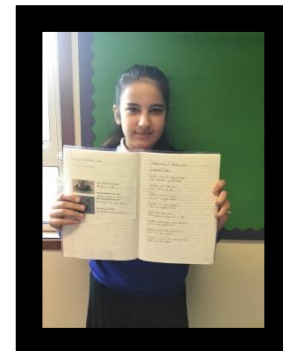


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This week, we have been interpreting data in line graphs and tables as well as drawing line graphs and, throughout, Samiha in daisy class has shown dedication, hard work and fantastic knowledge. She has presented her work neatly and has tried to challenge herself every day. Well done, Samiha!



This half term, Sumaia in Violet class has settled really well into St James'. She has been developing her ability to read, write and speak English and has really increased in confidence! She is now independently using new vocabulary and writing her own sentences! Well done Sumaia!



### Child of the term

We are very proud of all the pupils at St. James'. The children named below were nominated by their class teachers as 'Child of the Term':

St. James' children of the term: Usman in Ivy class Ivy class, Dawud in Sunflower class, Tafari in Lily class, Hafsa in Iris class, Tomas in Daisy class, Rozana in Poppy class, Aistis in clover class and Alban in Violet class.



### 100% Attendance

90 certificates were presented to children today, who achieved 100% attendance for this term. This is a great achievement. Well done!

The class with the highest attendance, last week, was Sunflower class with 99%.

The most punctual pupils, last week, were in Lily & Ivy class. Well done to all classes.

### Covid-19 Update- Isolation for Pupils

There is no longer a legal requirement for people with Covid-19 to self-isolate, however the Public Health advice for people with any of the main symptoms of Covid-19 or a positive test result is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people. The guidance is that pupils should isolate for at least 5 days and have a negative lateral flow test before returning. We are finding that some of our pupils are coming back to school quite quickly after they have reported sickness linked to Covid-19; some as early as two days after their symptoms were first reported. In order to ensure that everyone is kept safe, we have continued with our stringent hygiene routine in school. If your child has tested positive for Covid-19, please ensure that your child does not return to school too soon, in order to prevent the infection from spreading.

### Online safety tip

3 ways to get support if things go wrong online.

1. Talk to someone you trust like an adult or you can always talk to a ChildLine counsellor.
2. Report bullying or abuse directly to the website or app.
3. Tell the police by making a report to CEOP if someone is threatening or blackmailing you.



### Dates for your Diary

Event	Date / Time
Easter Half Term	Monday, 4 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>TH</sup> April 2022
Bank Holiday	Monday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2022
SATs Week	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> - Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2022
Half Term	Monday, 30 <sup>th</sup> May - Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2022
Easter School (year 6 )	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> -Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> April 8.45am - 12.30pm

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

[www.st-james.newham.sch.uk](http://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 Easter holidays.

Mrs R Boland-Bourne