



ST JAMES' NEWSLETTER

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Autumn Half Term

Monday 23rd October 2023
To

Friday 3rd November 2023

**SCHOOL IS CLOSED
FOR 2 WEEKS**

Return To School

Monday 6th November 2023

Year 3 Diwali Assembly

Thursday 16th November
Parents to Attend

Year 5 James The Fisherman Assembly

Thursday 23rd November
Parents to Attend

Year 6 Guru Nanak Assembly

Thursday 30th November
Parents to Attend

Christmas Break

Friday 22nd December 2023
To

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Return To School

Wednesday 3rd January 24



Headteacher's Message

As we approach half term it seems such a short time ago that everyone started the new school year and how quickly the children have settled into their new classes.

Already, they are well established, working hard and achieving so much. I know that when you came to Parents' Evening on Tuesday and Thursday, you were incredibly impressed by what they have learnt already since September. If you missed your appointment, please call or email the school office and your child's teacher will get back to you with a time.

Thank you for all of your contributions for the Harvest Food Collection which has been collected by St Saviour's Church for distribution within the local community.

I hope you all have a lovely half term and look forward to seeing you back on Monday 6th November 2023.

Rose Boland-Bourne
Headteacher

Educational visit to Forest Gate Library

Our Nurture Group explored our local community today by visiting the Forest Gate library. Upon arrival, we were greeted by the staff and were given an introduction to the library. Next, we were given a tour by the staff and shown where and how all the different books are kept. After the tour was finished, we had story time. Lastly, we were allowed to explore the children's section and pick one book each to take home. Thank you very much parents and Forest Gate library!



**A reminder that St James' is closed for 2 weeks this half term.
School will return on Monday 6th November 2023.**

Black History Month Lunch

On Wednesday, to celebrate Black History Month, St James' had a delicious inspired lunch. Our menu included: Ghanaian Chicken, Jollof Rice, Macaroni Cheese, Plantain, Dumplings and Ginger Cake with ice cream. Children enjoyed their lunch and fun was had by all!



Weather is Changing

The weather is changing, children need to bring their coats to school and wear them at playtimes. Also, please label your children's clothes clearly with your child's name.

Please ensure your child wears suitable shoes to school and if boots are worn on winter mornings, children must also have a change of shoes for school wear.

Changes to Afterschool Clubs

Chess Club and Dance Club date have now been changed. If your child attended Chess Club on a Thursday, this now on a Tuesday. If your child attended Dance Club is, this is also now on a Tuesday.

If you have any questions, please speak to Miss Grech in the school office.

Achievement Award

Jwana	Ivy
Yaseen	Daisy
Caliph	Daisy
Nylah	Sunflower
Fatimah M	Sunflower
Zarah	Poppy
Adrian	Poppy
Antonia	Violet
Emerson	Violet
Manha	Iris
Stella	Iris
Diana	Lily
Inaaya	Lily
Lucia	Clover
Aliya	Clover

Reading Award

Arianna	Ivy
Kenzo	Daisy
Ali	Poppy
David	Sunflower
Junior	Violet
Darius	Iris
Imran	Lily
Alhena	Clover

Maths Award

Mashoor	Ivy
Joseph	Daisy
Fatima K	Sunflower
Hayate	Violet
Mareyam	Iris
Aadam	Poppy
Feliciano	Lily
Ashel	Clover

Pen Licence

Malique	Poppy
Amanah	Violet
Yasin	Iris

ATTENDANCE



PUNCTUALITY



**Whole school
attendance this week**

97.7%