

Dear Parents & Carers,

What a week it's been! Year 6 have performed so well in their SATs tests and we're really proud that they approached their tests with confidence and grit! Results will be available to share in July and be included in end of year reports. Many thanks for contributions today for our non-uniform fundraising day today to go towards our maintenance fund and playground development. Any contributions are really gratefully received.

Our Collective Worship theme for this half term has continued with stories from Acts, what we can learn from these and apply to our lives.

Year 3&4 Violin Recital – Monday 18th May, 14:00, OJR Hall

Year 3&4 parents/carers are warmly invited to see our violin progress in action on Monday! Do come to OJR for 14:00 to see our lower KS2 children perform.



Year 1&2 Production – Tuesday 19th & Wednesday 20th May, 14:00

Year 1&2 parents and carers are also invited to see their children perform on Tuesday and Wednesday next week – do choose a day and come for 14:00.



Mums for Lungs Coffee Morning – Wednesday 20th May

Please see attached letter with information for our exciting Mums for Lungs coffee morning, Wednesday 20th May, 09:15 at Old Jamaica Road. Refreshments provided, and all welcome. Please also see attached a flier from 'Mums for Lungs' detailing an exciting art competition for the children to take part in.



Cultural Diversity Day Thursday 21st May

Please again note the date of this year's 'Cultural Diversity' Day! On this day children are invited to wear clothes/costumes which reflect their cultures/identities or even flag colours. We will also be welcoming parents/ carers/families into the Alexis St playground after school for a celebration together. Please do, if you can, bring in dishes which reflect our varied cultures and traditions for this.



May Half-Term Tennis Camps in Southwark

Looking for an exciting activity this May half-term? Sign up for Tennis Camps in Southwark. Open to 5–10-year-olds, these fun-filled sessions are perfect for beginners and young players to learn tennis skills, stay active, and make new friends. Don't miss out! See flier attached for additional information or [Click here to sign up](#) .



Swimming Summer Term 2

Please see a separate letter detailing swimming lessons for both 5 Turner and 6 Hockney classes next half term. 5 Turner were sadly let down with Friday bookings this half term, however we're thrilled to be able to take them next half term each Monday. Do note the change of day!



Walk to School Week

We are delighted to be taking part in 'Walk to School Week' next week, beginning Monday 19th May. If you do drive to school please consider leaving the car at home, or parking nearby and walking the remaining distance. We have a 'Gold' award for our active travel here at St. James' and we are currently re-applying for this. Part of our criteria is to have more children walk, cycle or scoot to school and we have 6 Year 5 Travel Ambassadors who are actively campaigning for this! They have delivered assemblies, organised a competition and prizes and are very passionate about active travel. Their motto is 'Ditch the car, it's not far!' Which is very apt as the majority of our families all live very locally and close to school and are lucky enough to be able to use active travel. PLEASE encourage your children to Walk/Cycle/Scoot for the whole week next week. Our Travel Ambassadors will be checking!

Events next week – please also note the 'dates for your diaries' letter.

Monday 18 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 3&4 Violin Recital in the OJR Hall at 14:00; • Monday enrichment clubs continue after school – these finish at 16:15 (Alexis St) and 16:30 (OJR).
Tuesday 19 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 5&6 Girls' football tournament with Mr. Brenta – by invitation, see separate letter; • Year 1&2 Production, 14:00 OJR Hall.
Wednesday 20 th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 1&2 Production, 14:00 OJR Hall; • Mums for Lungs Coffee Morning – details above.
Thursday 21 st May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural Diversity Day – more information above; • Year 1 trip to the London Transport Museum; • Year 5 Mini-Police programme continues at Alexis St; • Year 6 'Fix a Bike' workshops at Alexis St; • Parent Gym continues – 09:30 Alexis St.
Friday 22 nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children break up for Summer Half Term – normal school times. 15:30 Old Jamaica Road/15:15 Alexis St.

Wishing you, and our whole community, a super weekend ☺

God bless,
from the St. James' team.

