



Another very busy week at St. James'! Children are continuing to produce some great work around their class books and topics. In addition to our usual library and swimming visits, Year 4 have all been to the Design Museum as part of their topic work. We've also taken part in a few sports competitions this week which the children have tried really hard with and shown such grace through defeat. We continue to welcome Polly Howell, from the England Netball team, in to deliver PE lessons to our Year 6 children for the near future. Our Collective Worship theme for this week has been based around 'Heroes of the Faith' and we have learnt all about Samuel, Joshua and Abraham and how they can inspire us to be bold and strong in our everyday lives. Next week we'll think about how to 'Live in Jesus's Way' where we'll be thinking about temptation, prayer and giving to others. Another reminder that we're still noticing lots of footwear/trainers being worn which are not plain black – please do be reminded of our policy regarding plain black footwear for school.

Missing Scooter/personal items – OJR

Sadly, a scooter has gone missing from our Old Jamaica Road site (KS1) this week. This is a black 'Micro' scooter and a little boy is upset he has lost it. If you've taken this home by mistake, please do return to us as soon as possible. Please do reminded to label them/put children's names on with permanent marker where possible. We love to encourage you to scoot/cycle to school instead of driving but do remind you that you leave them at your own risk. Please do also check for any coats or accessories which may have been taken home by mistake and don't belong to your children.



The Banham Marsden March - The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity

Another reminder that Mrs Willis is assembling a team again for the above event which will take place on Sunday 3rd May in aid of the Royal Marsden. She's sent the following message: *'Thousands of people join us every year to walk between our two Royal Marsden sites in Chelsea and Sutton. You'll find patients, families, supporters of the hospital and Royal Marsden staff all taking part and fundraising, AND A TEAM FROM ST JAMES' SCHOOL. Four of our pupils have been or are receiving treatment at the hospital along with my son. The choice is yours, sign up to the 15-mile walk or for the final leg by taking part in the 5-mile distance. 'Team Willis' has a start time of 09:15 so please do join me this year, let's get a large team from St James'. Please use the link below to sign up or contact me, Mrs Willis.'*

<https://www.royalmarsden.org/support-us/banham-marsden-march>



Parent Gym

Parent Gym is a course of 6 workshops, each session is for two hours and is packed with practical tips and techniques to make family life easier and help your children thrive. To hear all about this exciting course there will be a short coffee morning on Tuesday 4th February at 09:30 at OJR. The course will begin the following Tuesday morning for 6 weeks (except for half term). Each week's session covers one of these topics: Chat, Love, Behave, Care, Discover and Together. For further information, please see Mrs Brenta. This is such an exciting fun filled course, be sure to book on this before it's too late! You can book a place or find more information on the website:

<http://bit.ly/2Qa8aG8>



February Half Term Cycling Courses

Southwark Council with Cycle Confident are again providing FREE cycle skills courses for children over February half term. Complete beginner courses, intermediate off-road courses and on-road courses are all running from Dulwich Park. Training is in small groups with 2 fully qualified instructors. BOOK NOW by calling 020 303 16730. Places are limited so for more info or to book, also visit: www.cycleconfident.com/courses/child-group



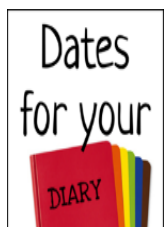
Dates for your Diaries – Spring term (continued overleaf):

Friday 14th February: 'P' Factor Poetry Performances during afternoon; break up for Spring Half Term – normal times OJR 15:15/Alexis St 15:30.

Monday 24th February: Back to school for Spring Term 2 – OJR 09:15/Alexis St 08:55.

Friday 6th March: World Book Day – events, activities and dressing up as favourite book characters!

Monday 9th – Friday 13th March: Science Week – activities/trips across both Key Stages.



Tuesday 10th March: Year 5 Parent/Carer meeting re. Secondary School Transfer – 14:30 Alexis St.

Friday 13th March: Sports Relief Day events – during afternoon at both Key Stages.

Monday 16th March – Friday 20th March: ASSESSMENT WEEK.

Friday 20th March: ALL Clubs finish for the Spring term.

Tuesday 24th March: Nursery, Reception & KS1 Parents' Evening – after school at OJR.

Wednesday 25th March: KS2 Parents' Evening – after school at Alexis St.

Friday 27th March: Non-uniform Day in exchange for Easter Eggs. Booster Cushion Theatre Show at KS1 during afternoon.

Tuesday 31st March: Easter Egg tombola after school at KS1 – OJR.

Wednesday 1st April – Thursday 2nd April: Year 1 & 2 Production – OJR, 14:00 & 18:00 both days.

Thursday 2nd April: Easter Egg tombola after school at KS2 – Alexis St.

Friday 3rd April: Easter service – 09:30 in St. James' Church – all welcome. Break up for Easter holidays – HALF DAY OJR 13:15/Alexis St 13:30.



Class attendance for this week: Please see the website for a full breakdown our policy and criteria for attendance trips. **Please be advised of our start times—08:55 at KS2 and 09:15 at KS1. Children are arriving to school increasingly later – please do be prompt and ready for school!**

Class:	Attendance:	Class:	Attendance:
6 Canada	98 %	4 Kenya	96 %
6 Mexico	94 %	3 Norway	97 %
6 Peru	100 %	3 Sweden	96 %
5 China	98 %	Belgium class	96 %
5 India	97 %	2 France	97 %
5 Japan	95 %	2 Spain	93 %
5 Russia	95 %	1 Germany	99 %
4 Egypt	95 %	1 Italy	96 %
4 Ghana	99 %		
Weekly Winners: 6 Peru – Very Well done! 😊			



Dates and Trips: Any parents who could come on trips to help would be greatly appreciated; please let your child's teacher know if you can help. Any last minute trips that may occur, we will try our best to let you know as well in advance as we can.

Monday 3rd February – no trips.

Tuesday 4th February

Parent Gym Taster session (details overleaf).

4 Egypt to the Library.

Wednesday 5th February – no trips.

Thursday 6th February

5 Japan to the library; Polly Howell (England Netball team) with Year 6 for PE.

Friday 7th February – no trips.



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