

Dear Parents & Carers,

What a week it's been! Our Sports Day yesterday was terrific and enjoyed by all; thank you so much for attending and supporting. Please see a detailed report from Mr. Brenta below. Our Open Evening was really successful on Tuesday and children have worked really hard with their final assessments for the academic year. Year 2 have continued with their Ukulele lessons; Year 6 with their swimming lessons; some Year 6 children attended girls' football competition on Wednesday and did amazingly well to come 2<sup>nd</sup> in their group – very well done to them! Our Collective Worship theme for this week has been based around Love for one another. Next week we'll think about the importance of Forgiveness. You'll find the 'dates for your diaries' letter attached as usual as a reminder of events for the rest of the year. Do have a quick look at this as always and make a note of anything that affects you/your child/ren's year group.

### **Open Evening**

Thank you so much for joining us on Tuesday to see children's work books and learning environments. It was super to see so many parents and carers in attendance. We will continue to have more of these as it's so important you get to see the children's learning and indeed have them tell you all about their work. End of term reports with comprehensive information will be e-mailed at the end of term.

### **Sports Day**

A massive well done to all the children for their amazing effort at sports day yesterday. It was great to them all showing their team spirit and cheering each other on especially in the races. It was also wonderful to see so many parents join us too! Well done to all the children that won a one of our sportsmanship trophies, all who showed amazing team work, kindness and fairness throughout the day.

It was a very competitive day and after a fantastic start from KS1, KS2 continued to battle it out in the afternoon with the team positions changing all the time. After all the scores had been added up it was **Brunel** who ran out champions and are our inaugural winners of the Sports Day Cup. A big well done also to all our house captains who guided their teams so well demonstrating their leadership all day. Pictures will be on the school website next week for you all to take a look at.

#### **Final Scores:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Brunel – 698**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Ferdinand – 646**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Rhodes – 614**

**4<sup>th</sup> Dickens - 610**

A huge 'well done' and thank you to Mr. Brenta for organising such a terrific event!

### Uniform

We have been very lenient this year after the Covid restrictions and completely understood individual difficulties, but from September we will be expecting all children to be in full school uniform.

Please follow this link: <https://www.shopkeepeasy.com/100829> to place your order in time for the new school year. If you place an order in the next couple of weeks and choose to have it delivered to school you will get half price P & P. Alternatively, if you order towards the end of term or in the holidays please have it delivered to your home address as we cannot guarantee there will be anyone in school to receive the order.

Please take care when ordering sizes, there is a size guide on each individual product to help you order the correct size. Children will also need PLAIN black shoes, and for PE, plimsolls or trainers, in line with our uniform policy. Many people were trying to rush to buy PE kits before sports day which did make us wonder why children couldn't have had full PE kits all year, however let's all start a fresh in September and make a greater effort to be smart and presentable! Many thanks for your co-operation.

### PGL – Year 6 School Journey

We're excited to be taking our Year 6s to Marchant's Hill on Monday! Please bring children to school for 08:30 to the office entrance with their luggage. Please also provide a healthy packed lunch on Monday as we'll start our activities quite quickly upon arrival and our first meal will be in the evening.

### Next Week/Upcoming Events

Ukulele and swimming lessons will continue next week, 1 Italy are visiting the Blue Anchor Library on Monday at 2pm, 1 Germany on Tuesday at 2pm and 3 Sweden on Friday at 2pm. It's wonderful to be able to visit the local library again for book choosing and story-telling! Joss Bay trips continue next week, Nursery Venice on Tuesday, Year 2 on Thursday and Reception on Friday. Year 5 are heading to Greenwich Park for a day of sport and activities on Friday and 3 Sweden are attending a Bee-keeping trip by coach to Holland Park on Wednesday. Another busy week ahead for everyone! Activities and trips are on the attached date letter too.

**We're wishing you, your families and our whole school community a lovely weekend.**

**God bless,**

**from the St. James' team.**