



Bramble's News



Being the best we can be

7th May 2021

Message from Mrs Gynn

Another busy week has flown by at St James.

Poppy Class were able to show Mrs Karus all of their skills in the hall during P.E.

Some fantastic writing has been seen in Sunflowers and Daisies, after all of the children had visited the jungle!

Children in KS1 have been using their best mathematical brains - learning all about fractions. These are just some of the many things the children have been doing this week.

I do hope your children have been able to share some of them with you when they have come home. Please do take a look at the celebrations page to see who has been the best they can be this week. So many children have made us all proud this week.

Attendance

We are monitoring attendance very closely. Now that lockdown is finished it is so important that children are in school every day. We are working really hard to make up for all of the schooling that has been lost.

Our goal is to have children in school for at least 95% of the time. Every day missed reduces a child's attendance by 0.5%. 10 or more days absence over a school year means that your child will not reach this target.

Every minute counts - children's learning starts as soon as they arrive. Please help your children by arriving on time.

Years 1 and 2 = 8.45 a.m.

Reception and Pre-School = 8.50 a.m.

Requests to collect children before the end of the day

Since the National Lockdown ended and schools were once again allowed to re-open fully, we are being inundated with requests to collect children early. Please be aware that this is not possible.

All schools are asked to plan how much time is needed to teach the content of the curriculum; in our school it has been decided that children should be in school until 3.15 p.m. Please do your very best to support this.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Fun in P.E.



Down in the jungle.



Splitting numbers into quarters.

Friends of St James Infant & pre- School

5P CHALLENGE



Each class has an empty bottle to be filled up with 5p coins.

Once each class has completed the challenge, the class with the most 5p coins will win a treat!

DID YOU KNOW

A two-liter bottle can hold over £100

So raid your money boxes, save your change, look down the back of the sofa and help your class fill their bottle.

Challenge runs from Monday 7th to Tuesday 30th June

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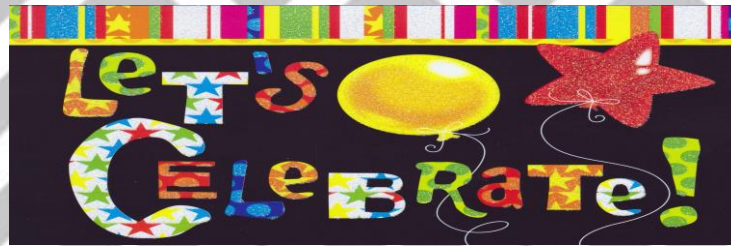
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Certificates have been awarded to:

Express Yourself

Wonderful art, design technology, music or P.E. work

Annabelle Ba - Buttercup Class

Exploring the World

Super history, geography or religious education work

Theo - in Snowdrop Class

Let's Investigate

Fantastic maths or science work

Raul - Dandelion Class

World of Words

Great reading, writing, speaking and listening or drama work

David - Daisy Class

Being Your Best

Always trying your best in everything that you do

Jax - Sunflower Class

Wow!

I tried my best and created or did something Wow!

Remus - Bluebell Class

Look at how amazing our school was last week:



850 new skills



110 stories shared

91 messages shared



99% positive feedback



Reading Challenge

50 reads...

Jax
Gabriella

Aaron
Jackson

100+ reads...

Our value for May is: **Honesty** which helps us to show integrity and responsibility



Values:
Inclusion
Integrity
Initiative
Inspiring
Involvement

What's Coming Up?



Children are able to choose and swap library books on the following days, every week...

Mondays - Buttercups & Snowdrops / **Thursdays** - Daisies & Sunflowers /
Fridays - Bluebells & Dandelions



14.5.21 - Pyjamarama Day!



Children can spend a day reading, enjoying and sharing stories, all in the comfort of their pyjamas!



28.5.21 - Term 5 ends



7.6.21 - Term 6 begins

w.b. 7.6.21 - 30.6.21 - Take part in the 5p challenge



15.6.21 - Year 2 Class photographs



16.7.21 - Everdon Experience for year 2



Please remember that a bed time story is one of the best ways to end a day, as well as helping your child to practise reading.

Staff share a story every day.



Please remember to complete the survey.
<https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

Reminders



Every Wednesday morning
arrive early for keep fit with
Coah Toby

Everyone is welcome, from
8.30 a.m.