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Message from the Acting Headteacher

Dear parents and carers,

It has been another wonderful week at St Jude's!

We have enjoyed welcoming more parents to our Introductory Talks for different year groups. If you have any further questions following the meetings, please do not hesitate to contact the class teachers via the school email.

Each class had the opportunity to learn the drums in a drumming session this week with DCP Drums. We are really excited to be able to facilitate drumming lessons for children in reception, year 1 and year 2 next half term. Parents can sign up via the letter that was given out on the day. More copies of the letter can be obtained from the school office.

Lessons will start the week commencing 7th November. This arrangement with DCP Drums will be reviewed termly based on interest from the children.

We have been really impressed with our attendance figures this half term—keep up the hard work! Our target is 95% attendance for each child. In the morning, our gates close at 9am. Any child arriving after this time is marked as 'late' on the register. Our morning register closes at 9.10am. Any child arriving after this time is marked as absent using the appropriate code; this is determined by DfE guidance and will affect your child's overall attendance figure. It is essential that our children are in school as much as possible and do not miss crucial learning time. If you need any support with your child's attendance, please contact me via the school office.

Have a restful weekend and God bless,

Miss Douch

What have Reception been up to?

We took part in a drumming workshop. We used our drumsticks to create rhythm and pace. We drummed along to some of our favourite songs and even had a go on the big drum kit!



What have Reception been up to?

We have been learning about Olympic gymnast, Simone Biles. We had a go at our own gymnastics and made our own Olympic medals.



We have also been learning about Elijah McCoy. Elijah McCoy was an instrumental figure in the invention of the steam engine. We went on our very own journey around the playground, imagining we were on a steam train. Then we learnt to draw steam trains!



Harvest Food Bank Collection



NORWOOD & BRIXTON FOODBANK HELPING LOCAL PEOPLE IN CRISIS

Harvest is here and it is time to donate unwanted items to help those who are in need.

This year, we are collecting for Norwood and Brixton food bank. The children will have a special collective worship next week when Norwood and Brixton Food Bank will be visiting us.

They had this to say about St Jude's:

'Over the years your amazing school has been collecting for us you have collected 1199kg of food, just over 1 tonne, which is amazing.'

Any donations are welcome, however, this year the food bank have requested the following items in particular:

- Blankets/ hot water bottles with covers
- Tinned soup
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned sweet corn
- Tinned non pork meat e.g chicken
- Long life sponge puddings and other puddings including jellies and whips
- UHT milk
- Rice pudding
- Essential toiletries e.g shampoo
- Toilet roll

We will be collecting food until Friday 4th November.



What have Year 4 been up to?

Year four had a fantastic week with lots of exciting learning. We visited the British Museum and took part in a workshop about mummies. WE then explored the Ancient Egyptian exhibitions and spotted some of the artefacts we learnt about in the workshop.



What have Year 4 been up to?

This week we finished writing our stories, which was been inspired by our text *There's a Pharaoh in our bath*. We then shared them with Year 2.



Friday Stars !

Reception

Reception's Friday Star is Sofia. Sofia has been so kind to those around her this week. She has been offering to help her classmates, giving big smiles to all those around her and spreading compliments wherever she goes. Thank you Sophia!



Class 2

Class Two's Friday Star is Alex! Alex has worked so hard on his vocabulary in English this week. He has chosen key words from the text and started to use them in his own writing. He has really impressed us with his attitude and approach in English lessons. Well done Alex, keep up the good work!



Class 1

Class One's Friday Star is Mya. She has been spotted being super helpful in the classroom. She always has a willing attitude towards helping others! Thank you Mya!



Class 3

Class Three's Friday Star is Nathan! Nathan has worked so hard to improve his handwriting and spelling and has produced some brilliant pieces of work in English. Well done Nathan, keep it up!



Class 4

Class Four's Friday Star is Lily. Lily was incredibly inquisitive on our school trip to the British Museum. She asked some brilliant questions to further her knowledge and understanding. She was also a real role model and re-presented our school brilliantly. Well done Lily!



Class 5

Class Five's Friday Star is Carter. Carter has shown great resilience this week! He has been trying his absolute hardest with his learning as well as his presentation. Carter has not given up even if he finds something challenging. Fantastic work Carter, keep it up!



Class 6

Class Six's Friday Star is Angus! Angus has been really helpful and kind towards others this week. Miss Mcleish noticed that he was particularly helpful during coding club, and was offering out his expertise to others throughout the entire session!



Dojo Winners

With **267** points, this week's winners are:

Year 6 !

You got most of your dojos for your active participation in your learning and for showing lots of resilience. Well done!



Saints and Workers of the Week



Each week, the staff nominate children to be our Saints and Workers of the Week.

Saints of the Week are children who have worked really hard to live out our Christian school values:

- We work well together
- We are prepared and helpful
- We are resilient
- We are there for one another
- We celebrate each others' success

Workers of the Week are children who have shown huge effort and progress in their learning.

This week we are celebrating:

Saint of the Week

Iyla, Reception

For listening to her adults, sitting wonderfully on the carpet and being a star!



Worker of the Week

Yannick, Year 4

For real resilience all week. He has been looking enthusiastic at every challenge and smashing it!



Message from the PTA

It's Christmas! Well, not just yet, but ...

The PTA will be running the **Cauliflower Christmas Card fundraising project** again this year. Get your children's festive artwork printed onto cards, gift labels, mugs and wrapping paper in time for Christmas! We would like to encourage you all to take part.

Packs will be sent home in the children's school bags this week and the children can complete their artwork at home. So get the paints and coloured pens out this weekend and let them get creative ... the brighter and bolder the better!

Don't forget to order online, and have your children's masterpieces returned to their school teachers by **Friday, October 21st** (last day of term)

CAULIFLOWER CARDS

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School Tours Available



We love to show people around our wonderful school!

If you know any families or friends who may considering sending their children to St Jude's (in any year group), please encourage them to book a school tour via our school website or by calling the school office. Our school tours happen **every week on Wednesdays at 9.30am.**

Thank you for your help and support!

Important Dates



Family Learning Project Exhibition

Friday 21st October — In the school hall, 3.30—4pm.

Meet the Teacher—Introductory Talks

Tuesday 18th October, 5pm—Year 3 (*please note the change to this date*)

Trips and Visits

Year 3 Roman Day in school—Wednesday 19th October

Year 5 Trip to the British Museum—Thursday 20th October

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Year 3 Trip to London Mithraeum—Friday 21st October

Year 5 and 6 'Be Internet Legends' assembly—Friday 21st October

KS2 trip 'Brixton Chamber Orchestra Presents Vampyr Live!' at the Ritzy cinema—Monday 31st October (more information to follow)

Little Wandle Phonics Workshop for Parents—Thursday 20th October, 5.30pm in the school hall

In this workshop, we will be sharing how we teach children to read in school using the Little Wandle Letters and Sounds, a DfE validated programme. It will give parents information on how the programme works, as well as giving them advice and tips on how to support their children at home.

Parents' Evening

Monday 28th November and Wednesday 30th November (information on how to book your meeting will be sent out closer to the time)

Class Assemblies

Throughout the year we welcome parents to your child's class assembly. These assemblies are a showcase of the children's learning. Please find the dates below; these are subject to change but we will notify you as soon as possible. They will be held in the school hall at 9.05am.

Reception— Tuesday 7th March and Tuesday 4th July

Year 1—Tuesday 21st March and Tuesday 27th June

Year 2— Tuesday 18th October and Tuesday 28th March

Year 3—Tuesday 7th February and Tuesday 23rd May

Year 4—Tuesday 31st January and Tuesday 16th May

Year 5—Tuesday 24th January and Tuesday 13th June

Year 6— Tuesday 15th November and End of Year Production (date TBC)



Are you a parent?

Have you heard of Parent View?

Parent View is an online questionnaire for you to give your views about this school at any time of the year.

At the time of an Ofsted inspection, parents are also invited to give inspectors their views using **Parent View**.



It's easy. It's quick. It's time to log on.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

Could you be a Parent Ambassador?

Parent Ambassadors



We are looking for parents and carers to support St Jude's by acting as **Parent Ambassadors**, sharing your personal experiences of the St Jude's community.

The role would include things such as:

- ➔ Meeting prospective families during Reception school tours
- ➔ Acting as a point of contact for new families
- ➔ Supporting families whose children transfer from another school

Please email admin@st-judes.lambeth.sch.uk or pop into the office if interested.

