



St Jude's Church of England Primary School
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31st March 2023

Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear parents and carers,

It seems unreal how quickly this academic year is flying by! Easter is almost here – it is very exciting seeing the new growth and longer days that come with Springtime. St. Jude's as always, continues to be a hive of activity for both staff and children. I would like to take this opportunity to say a huge thank you to Miss Douch and all the staff for the superb job they are doing to ensure that our vision of Happy, Inspired and Loved children permeates the school. Ofsted, in their report said ***"Leaders create a nurturing environment, where children are happy and safe. Pupils enjoy learning and are proud of their school"***

In the past few years, schools have faced unprecedented challenges, especially the impact of Covid, and real terms cuts to budgets. St. Jude's has not just faced these challenges head on but remarkably, in terms of academic outcomes for the children, achieved outstanding results at the end of last year – about 20% higher attainment across the board than the national and borough average.

The only constant in life seems to be change! As you know, all London schools are being impacted by demographic change resulting in significant falls in pupil numbers in all boroughs. Lambeth and Southwark have been particularly affected and I want to assure you that our governing board is working very closely with the Diocese and the local authority to develop a sustainable strategy to ensure that St. Jude's continues to thrive.

As we work through this process, we are incredibly grateful to Miss Douch as acting headteacher and to Mr Rojas who continues to support as consultant headteacher this academic year. We will of course keep you informed of longer term plans as they develop.

In the meanwhile, I would like to wish you all a wonderful Easter holiday with your children.

Warmest regards

Geraldine O'Brien

Chair of Governors



Friday Stars !

Reception

Reception's Friday Star is Freya. For being super confident and resilient.



Class 2

Class Two's Friday Star is Amelia. Amelia is always trying her best in all of her lessons and this week she particularly impressed us when she performed so beautifully at Royal Festival Hall! She was able to sing loudly and confidently do her actions too. Well done Amelia!



Class 1

Class One's Friday Star is Henry.

For amazing writing in literacy. He used lots of adjectives and time connectives.



Class 3

Class Three's Friday Star is Jelani! Jelani has been really trying hard with his Maths and made a brilliant knowledge organiser displaying all of his amazing learning. Brilliant job Jelani!



Class 4

Class Four's Friday Star is Jasper. For being so diligent with his reading and writing in his reading record! Keep this up Jasper!



Class 5

Class Five's Friday Star is Lillas. Lillas has been incredibly helpful and responsible this week. She has helped out with jobs in the classroom and set the example to others.

Well done Lillas!



Class 6

Class Six's Friday Star is Daniel. Daniel offered some insightful opinions and knowledge on the bible and strategies on how to read it during our RE lesson. Well done Daniel!



Dojo Winners

With **376 points**, this week's

Class dojo winners are:

Year 3!

You got most of your dojos this week for active listening and being have-a-go heroes. What a brilliant combination!



Royal Festival Hall Visit

This week Year 2 visited the Royal Festival Hall as part of the Lambeth Sounds Festival. We learnt lots of different songs and performed with a live band and lots of different Year 2 classes across Lambeth. We had a wonderful time performing!



Staff Update

We are really happy to welcome Mr Taylor to the St Jude's team as the Year 5 class teacher for the summer term. He has been in the school this week, met the children and worked with them in the classroom. He was also able to join us for our Easter service at St Matthew's church.

Miss Francis will also join Mr Taylor in Year 5 for the mornings, to support the children in their learning. We are exploring suitable options to continue the TA role in Year 4 and will let you know as soon as possible when this has been confirmed.

We are also pleased to confirm that Margo Jackson will be offering ELSA provision to children across the school during the summer term. Margo is already part of our St Jude's team, delivering therapeutic support to children, so we are thrilled that she is able to offer this more widely. We will be in contact with parents next term with more information regarding this.

Thank you for your patience and understanding whilst we worked hard to make arrangements.

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

Saint of the Week

Mohammed, Year 6

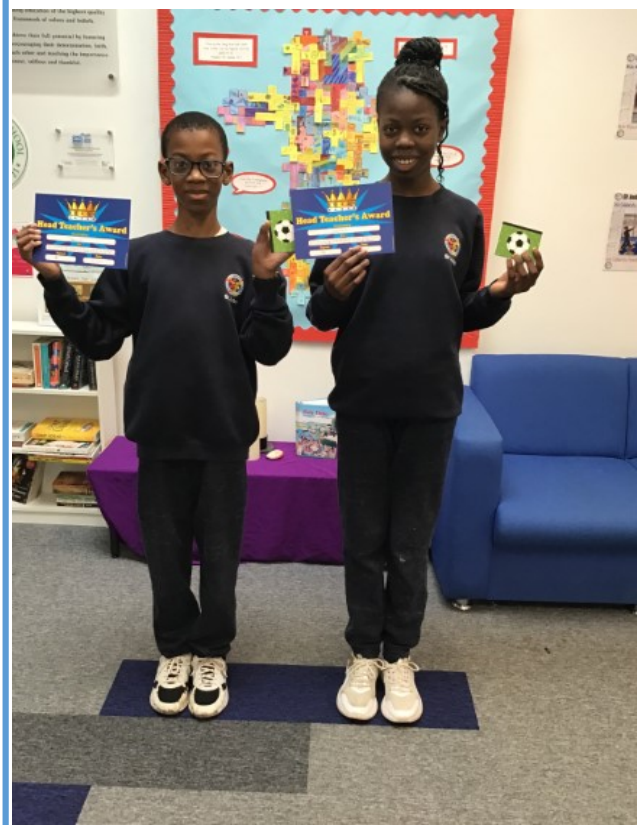
For going above and beyond in your play leader role and helping children in the



Worker of the Week

Daniel and Deborah, Year 6

For your amazing contribution to the Easter Event, thinking of your own musical



Important Dates

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DATES

Half term:

Break up Friday 26th May

Back to school Monday 5th June

Summer holiday:

Break up Friday 21st July (children leave at 1.30pm)

Back to School Wednesday 6th September (staff INSET days Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th September)

Class Assemblies—9.05am in the school hall

Reception— Tuesday 4th July

Year 1— Tuesday 27th June

Year 3—Tuesday 23rd May

Year 4—Tuesday 16th May

Year 5—Tuesday 13th June

Year 3 rescheduled Parents' Evening—Tuesday 18th April and Wednesday 19th April.

Trips, Visits and Workshops

Year 2 Trip to Dulwich College—Tuesday 18th April

Reception/KS1 and KS2 Soundsteps Music School Assemblies—Wednesday 19th April

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Perform Drama Session—Wednesday 26th April, am

Year 5 Performance for 'Before The Firebird' music project at St John's Angell Town Primary School—Wednesday 17th May

Year 5 Royal Festival Hall Music Concert—Wednesday 24th May

Whole School Events:

Fun Run— Saturday 13th May, 1.30pm in Brockwell Park

Summer Fair—Saturday 24th June (timings to be confirmed)

ST JUDE'S



BROCKWELL PARK 2PM SATURDAY 13 MAY 2023

- Please save the date!
- Fancy dress or any sports gear!
- Prizes first adult+child+fancy dress
- Picnic+cake sale afterwards



Event lead: Anoushka (Hamish Y5, Agnes Y1)

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Easter Playscheme
@ St Jude's Primary School

3RD - 6TH APRIL 2023

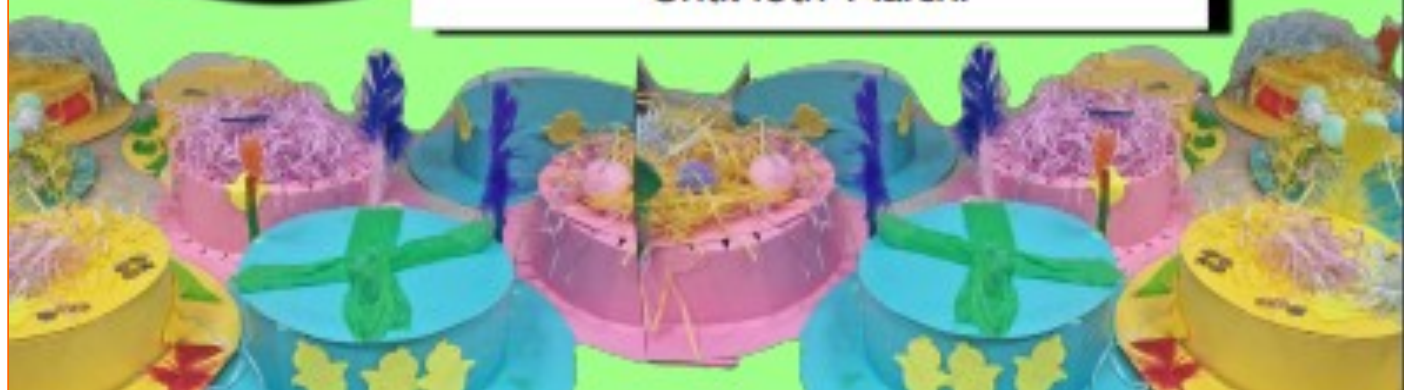
Info & Registration
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Full Day: 8am - 5pm

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What have we been doing?

As we embark in a new seasons, we at KG Doodles have been looking at new beginnings through learning about life cycles and exploring colours through the HOLI celebration. We also looked at and explored Birdwatch Week.



Baking

This past few months really delicious things. WE got the chance to make some funny pancakes for pancake day, we made chocolate cereal nests for Bird Week and made our own edible playdough



We hope you all had a wonderful mother's day and we hope you enjoy the cards and the bouquet of stick flowers that the children made for you.

Mothers Day

**Dont' Forget to sign up to our
Half Term
Easter Playscheme**

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