

### 25 March 2024

## Message from the Head of School

Dear parents and carers,

Our children have enjoyed the sunshine recently—long may it continue! It was great to see our Year 5 and 6 children making the most of it in their Futsall Tournament last week too.

We have also unveiled our refurbished toilets for reception class, key stage 1 and key stage 2 boys this week. They are looking so much better and are a much nicer environment for our children.

Please don't forget about our Easter Service, taking place at our parish Church, St Matthew' s, on Wednesday morning (Wednesday 27th March). We would love for adults to support us get there and back safely. Please complete the Google Form, which will be sent out today, if you able to volunteer your time.

Mr Rojas recently sent families information regarding a two week half term in October 2024. I can confirm that this has now been agreed and the half term holiday will be Monday 21st October—Friday 1st November. A list of all term dates for the academic year 2024-25 will be sent out shortly, once staff INSET days have been finalised.

Please be reminded that we break up for the Easter holiday this week on Thursday 28th March at 1.30pm.

We are already starting to plan for the summer term and beyond as a leadership team. In the summer term last year, we needed to make some difficult decisions on how to structure our classes across the school. This was based on a falling roll of pupils and the number of children in each class. Please do contact the school office as soon as possible if you know that your family will not be at St Jude's in September 2024. We are always sad to hear when a family will be leaving our school community, but this will really help us to plan effectively with accurate information. Any changes to class structures will then be communicated as much in advance as we possibly can.

I hope you have a brilliant last week of the spring term and a wonderful Easter holiday with your family and friends when it arrives.

Warm regards,

Mrs Reid



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For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.



# **STEM Week**

As part of our STEM week celebrations we were able to have a STEM careers fair. We had STEM ambassadors, neuroscientists, a doctor, vet,

photographer, epidemiologist, strategy consultant and a chemistry teacher!

The children asked each person questions about their job and how it links to STEM. The children had a wonderful time and took so much from it. Thank you so much to the parents and carers involved, we had the most wonderful time!



## What has Year 2 been up to?

Year 2 had a fantastic time being scientists at the Science careers fair and finding different habitats in the nature garden.

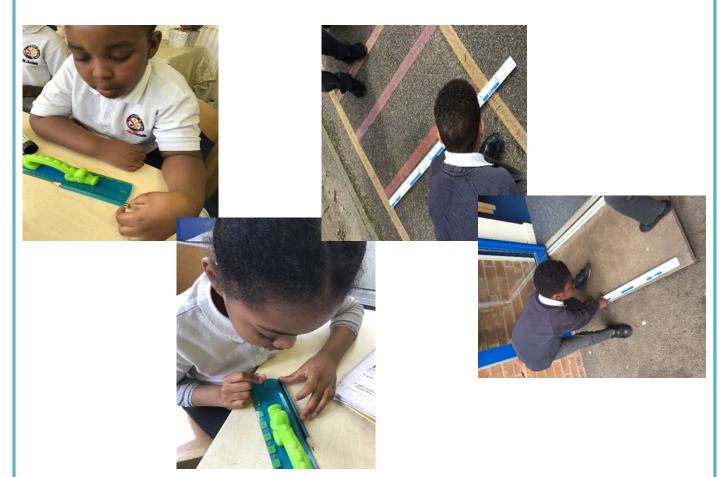


Year 2 did an amazing job on the class assembly.



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Year 2 have been measuring lengths using metres and centimetres.



Year 2 acted out what they predicted would happen next in their class novel.



## **Wellbeing Ambassadors**

Last week the Wellbeing Ambassadors took part in a workshop focusing on different ways we can look after our own and others wellbeing.

The session was run by Abigail Hunt, a local artist trained in wellbeing practises.

The Ambassadors played games designed to help us connect with others, acted out different scenarios to help with their understanding of peoples different needs, and were introduced to a competition to design a badge for the Wellbeing Ambassadors for the cluster of schools.



## **RA Young Artist Summer Show Announcement**

Dar Parents/Carers,

Thank you so much for supporting the children with their RA Young Artist Summer Show entries. We will be rescheduling our St Jude's Exhibition for the summer term as we would love for the entries to be part of our future whole school art exhibition.

Kind regards,

Miss Baffour

# Year 5/6 Futsal Tournament

This week the Year 5/6 Futsal Team took part in the Moving Matters Futsal Tournament at Ferndale Recreation Centre.

They were in a group with four other very competitive schools. We began with a hard fought loss but went on to win our next two games comfortably. However, we unfortunately lost our last game which meant we did not go through.

I was immensely proud of the teams organisation, effort, sportsmanship and skills. They have all worked hard with me during our Monday night sessions and performed really well on the day.

Lochie received an award for being the most valuable player in the round for his heroics in goal.

On to the Windmill Cluster Tournament!



## **Friday Stars** !

#### **Reception**

Reception's Friday Star is Cruz! Cruz is always kind to others and has been noticed being a good friend in both the classroom and playground. Well done Cruz for always being there for your friends!



#### Class 2

Class Two's Friday Star is Chase. Chase has shown real motivation in his learning. He has worked really hard to stay focused in lessons and contribute his ideas. Well done and keep this up.





Class 1

Class One's Friday Star is Freya! Freya has been working so hard, she is always ready to learn, always there for others and



is very kind to others whenever they are not feeling well. We are so proud of you Freya!



#### Class 3

Class 5/6

Class Three's Friday Star is Shanai. Shanai has shown outstanding determination and effort this week.



Class Five/Six's Friday Star is Daniell!

Daniell has been extremely focussed

and determined with his learning this

keep up the good work!

week which has been brilliant to see! He

has been a real have-a-go hero with his Mock SATs and should be incredibly proud of himself! Well done Daniell,



#### Class 4/5

Class Four/Five 's Friday Star is Jelani. Jelani has shown excellent sportsmanship in P.E. lessons.





#### **Dojo Winners**

With 386 points, this week's dojo winners are Year 2!

You got most of your points this week for being prepared to learn. We could tell this from your superb class assembly this week!



## 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

#### Saint of the Week

Lily and Georgette, Year 5/6

For being prepared and helpful in your role as Librarians.



Owen, Year 1

Owen is working so hard with phonics he is even doing extra at home! We are super proud of Owen and of how hard he is working towards his reading skills!





## **Important Dates**

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**Spring Term Dates:** 

Back to school: Monday 19th February

Break up: Thursday 28th March, children leave at 1.30pm

Back to school: Tuesday 16th April

**Summer Term Dates:** 

Back to school: Tuesday 16th April

Break up: Friday 24th May

Half term: Tuesday 28th May to Friday 31st May

Back to school: Monday 3rd June

Summer holiday: Wednesday 24th July

#### **Class Trips and Workshops**

Y2 & 4/5 Lambeth Music Festival, Monday 25th March

#### **Whole School Events**

Easter Service at St Matthew's Church — rescheduled to Wednesday 27th March, 9.30am

Years 4, 5 & 6 workshop about online bullying —Wednesday 17th April

PC Freeman visit to the school for whole school Collective Worship—Staying Safe—Thursday 18th April

#### **Class Assemblies**

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 26th March and Tuesday 2nd July

Year 1—Tuesday 21st May and Tuesday 16th July

Year 2— Tuesday 7th May

Year 3— Tuesday 18th June

Year 4/5— Tuesday 30th April

Year 5/6—End of Year Production (date TBC)



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# Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London

Please look at the organisations' websites to double check times and arrangements

West Norwood Library GCSE Revision Club FREE Every Tuesday, from 12 March to 9 April 2024, 4.00pm to 5.30pm Help and advice from our team of volunteers and teachers who specialise in English, Maths and Science. 14+ Refreshments provided. 1-5 Norwood High Street, London, SE27 9JX, <u>https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/events/gcse-revision-club</u>

Clapham Library KS1 and KS2 Homework Club FREE Every Thursday Term time only. 14 March-11 April 2024, 4.00pm to 5.00pm Help with homework for children. Come along to the library from 4pm where our homework helpers can assist. KS1 and KS2. Mary Seacole Centre, 91 Clapham High Street, London, SW4 7DB <u>https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/events/homework-club-3</u>

Sky Garden FREE For all ages A quick way to see all of London's famous landmarks. Tickets can be booked online the Monday before planned visit, walk-in guests subject to availability. Each visit is one hour long. Each ticket holder must show a valid ID to security on arrival. Children must also be scheduled. One adult may bring a max of three children. 1 Sky Garden Walk, London EC3M 8AF <u>https://</u> <u>tickets.skygarden.london/WebStore/shop/viewitems.aspx?cg=SkyGarden&c=Tickets</u>

Deen City Farm Merton FREE Lots of activities and a great farm for children Open Tues-Sundays and Bank holiday Mondays 10-16.30 open until 19.00 on Tuesdays For all ages Deen City Farm, 39 Windsor Ave, Merton, SW19 2RR <u>www.deencityfarm.co.uk</u>

Stave Hill Ecological Park FREE There is no traditional playground but it is a great opportunity for children to have fun exploring natural woodlands and discovering places like the Orchid Meadow and Goblin Wood. There are also nature trails, boulders and trees to climb on and you can also climb to the top of the mound to see the panorama of East and South East London. Some areas of the park are fenced off to protect local wildlife, so please make sure to respect the boundaries.

Behind Bacons College, Timber Pond Road in Rotherhithe, London, SE16 6AX <u>https://www.tcv.org.uk/</u> <u>london/urbanecology/urban-ecology-sites/stave-hill-ecological-park/</u>Paddlesport sessions at The Pirate Castle FREE Sundays, 2pm to 3.30pm, from 4 February until 27 October 2024 (including school holidays) Max 16 spaces available per session, pre-booking essential.

The Pirate Castle, Gilbey's Wharf, Oval Road, London, NW1 7EA. These sessions are targeted at young Londoners aged 8 to 17 who meet Go! London's eligibility criteria. Email info@thepiratecastle.org or call 020 7267 6605 for more information and to book.

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