

THE SCOOP

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Focus on: Service

Year 6 Secondary transition days 4th to 8th July

Year 6 Bikeability-4th to 14th July

5th July-Parent drop in parents evening 3-3.30pm

6th July-Year 1 parent meeting for children moving from Reception to Year 1 9-10am

6th July-Yr5/6 Move More swimming gala for selected children

6th July-PTA meeting Morans @7pm

7th July-Reception parent assembly 2pm

8th July-transition time to new class-story-all classes

8th July-Yr6 leavers party 7pm

11th July-Year 1 multi skills trip 9.30-11am Chelt College

12th July-Values posters handed in today

12th July-Reception Pirate workshop in school

13th July-Yr5 trip to Bournside 'Explore our World'

13th July-Reception multi skills 9.30-11am Chelt College

15th July-Year 3 Samba concert, parents attend 10.15am

18th July-Yr6 Activity/treat day, funded by Enterprise

19th July-Yr 1 trip to Ernest Cook centre

19th July-Whole school picnic, bring packed lunch. £1 for bouncy castle. Wear non uniform

19th July-Year 5 clarinet concert 8.45-9.45am

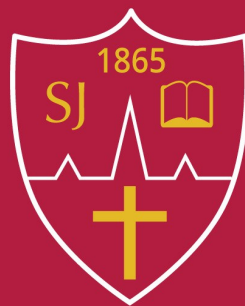
19th July-Year 5 charity day, throughout the day

20th July-Yr6 leavers service 9.30am with Reverend Nick. Yr6 leavers picnic and whole school clap 1.30-2.30pm. An evening with Year 6 4.30-5.30pm

21st July-Yr6 Leavers assembly for parents 9-10am

21st July-End of Term 6, 2pm finish

7th September-Children back to school



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JULY

This is our final newsletter of this academic year. There are still a couple of weeks to go with many events still taking place. We hope that you were pleased with your child's school reports—the staff work hard all year getting to know your children, working on gaps in learning and supporting them the best they can. Obviously, the reports are created before teaching for the year stops which means that teachers are still working on many of the objectives right up until the end of term and whilst there are opportunities for a little more fun at this time of year the teachers are completing the teaching of the last few objectives.

This year we say a few goodbyes. Mrs Kaur will be leaving Reception to enjoy retirement and Mrs Hughes is leaving and moving to Wales with Mr. Hughes! We wish both of them success for their futures and will miss them greatly. We have also appointed a very talented music teacher, Mrs Helen Wilson who will be teaching across the school from Y1—Y6

This year has been tremendous, we have had significant sporting success, worked with a large number of other local primary schools and further developed links with our local secondary schools. We have won many competitions and a large number of children have been awarded grades for piano, violin and clarinet. We have developed a strong culture of music and the arts at school which culminated in children showcasing their talents at the summer fair. Our work in developing health and fitness and mental health support is having a significant impact, with children becoming much more aware of how to support themselves. Our work with Marjiana from Move More and our pastoral officer Mrs Wood and the team has gone from strength to strength.

Once again we have supported a wide number of schools through sharing expertise. We have had a large number of teachers and leaders coming to watch our teachers teach and learn from us; I am sure that you will agree that this all contributes to the quality of teaching and learning that our children get! We are a lucky school.

I would also like to thank you for the support, help and encouragement you offer our children and our staff, we know that schools and parents working in partnership is the best way to educate our children. Wishing you all an enjoyable summer!

Lisa Harford—Headteacher

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?

Take a look at photos of recent events at school.



What does the teaching of British Values look like at our school?

Take a look at what our pupils say...

'Our school values of respect, responsibility, honesty and love help us the British Values.

We think that 'Mutual Respect' is the most important British Value because it is important that we respect everyone and their opinions.' Orla, Martha, Flo, Libby Year 6



British Values

At St. James' Primary School we believe that everyone should show RESPECT and be RESPECTED. Positive attitudes towards everyone are important no matter their faith or cultural diversity; this ensures that all pupils are able to 'grow for Fullness of Life'. John 10:10

Intent – through our school vision and values we aim to:

Know about a wide range of cultural influences that have shaped our lives. We learn about Refugees, other faiths, visit Church, visit the Mosque, Synagogue

Appreciate that Britain is great because it is made up of lots of different cultures, learn about them e.g Eid
#NoChildLeftBehind

Make connections about similarities between different cultures and faiths and show RESPECT

Understand DEMOCRACY and British law
Visit law courts, own mock trial
Vote for our school values certificate classmate each term
Vote for school council BALOT Chair wrote to Alex Chalk MP

Participate and respond culturally to musical, sporting and cultural opportunities
Blindfolded events at sports days, go to the Panathlon, Heidi's Heroes swimming, African Steel Band, listen to culturally different music, First News, Newsround

Show respect for different faiths and cultural diversity
Vaisakhi, Eid, Chinese New Year
DIVERSITY WEEK
RAINBOW DAY

UNDERSTAND
ACCEPT RESPECT
CELEBRATE
DIVERSITY

CoCo Magazine for girls and boys in the library, cultural books e.g. The Boy at Back of the Class, different cultural toys, and musical instruments. Disabled visitors, Bart Gee, Jewish mum, Cheltenham Welcomes Refugees, sports leader with ADHD.



Global challenges
Learn about global challenges – watch Newsround, charity support initiated by children

Our school Rule reminds us. Talk about different PROTECTED CHARACTERISTICS in worship because EVERYONE IS EQUAL:

Age, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnership, disability, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation. We learn about these characteristics in worship, PSHCE, P4C when we sometimes ask BIG QUESTIONS... in worship we looked at different marriages when we were looking at the miracle of turning water into wine.



No Child Left Behind – We are committed to making sure that all children in Cheltenham get the same offer via our Cheltenham Offer.

We help the children to have empathy and show forgiveness

Sponsored bikes for Africa, raised money for Ukraine, Tsunami, children mini-stalls for Diabetes UK, Save the Whales, Slept overnight in school to understand how it feels to be homeless and raise money for Gloucester City Mission, donate to foodbanks. Part of No Child Left Behind.



Implementation – how do we achieve our aims?

In Cheltenham we will...

Support each other to...
 ...work hard in hand with families

Actions we will take

ways we will work

...so that no child is left behind

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Equality Act 2010
Protected Characteristics
 It is against the law to discriminate against someone because of their:

- AGE
- DISABILITY
- SEX
- MARRIAGE AND CIVIL PARTNERSHIP
- RACE
- RELIGION AND BELIEFS
- SEXUAL ORIENTATION
- RELIGION OR BELIEF
- GENEROID REASSIGNMENT

Safe Schools Alliance UK
 Putting Safeguarding First

We support all year round

HARVEST DONATIONS-REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR- FOOD DONATIONS AT YOUNG VOICES- CLOTHING, TOILETRIES, FOOD TO GLOCESTER CITY MISSION - Y6 LEAVERS' SERVICE - BOXES OF HOPE TO UKRAINE CHILDREN.

Children often lead ideas for fund raising and charities we are going to support.

Year 6 enterprise always leaves money for the next year 6 and gives money to charity as well as paying for their end of year treats. This year we are buying bikes for our 4 Ukrainian children



We show empathy to everyone...

Celebrating DIVERSITY WEEK, Mental Health Awareness Week, Fair Trade, planted trees, collected rubbish at the brook, litter picking, Sing at the elderly peoples' home, sent letters to the old community. Enjoy Open the Book by older members of Pip & Jims'.



"During Diversity week we looked at what it means to be different and how valuable this is."

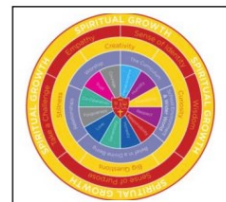
"Bartholomew Gee was AMAZING, we learnt about overcoming his disability!"



IMPACT -how will we know we have achieved our aims?

"We show empathy to others and their character."

"We learnt more about our black heroes in Black History Month."



Who are our heroes?

Celebrating BLACK HISTORY

Responsibility and duty

70 years on the throne

Bollywood dancing in celebration

"We learn about how other people live."

"We get to listen to stories from other cultures."



**UN Rights
of a Child**

Every week our children take part in a 'Picture News' class worship. <https://www.picture-news.co.uk/>

They are given a 'big question' that is around a topical issue in the news that week with background information to support them in then having an informed discussion. This worship gives our pupils the opportunity to learn about our world (cultural capital), develop independence, resilience, respect and skills to debate topical issues. Our children then record their views in their floor books; please take a look at these if you come into school on Tuesday for the 'meet your new teacher' session. The topical questions are always linked to British Values and UN Rights of the child.

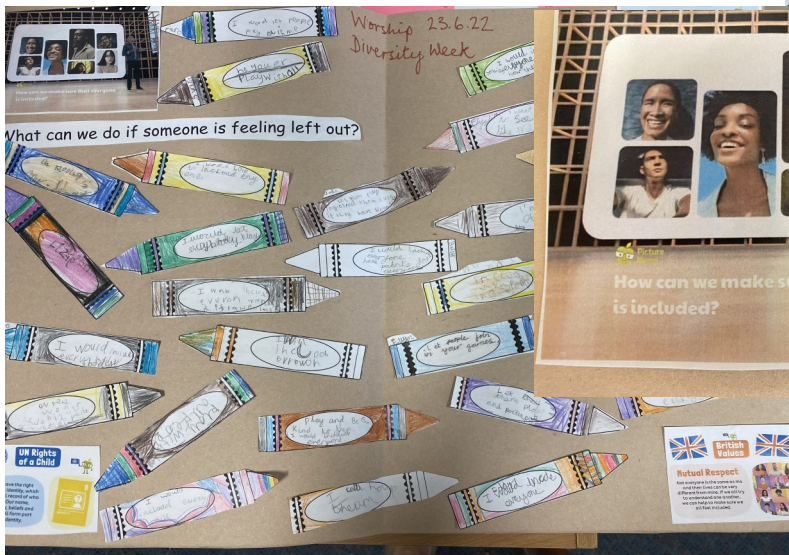
The resources are different for Infants and Juniors. Here are the Big Questions your child will be thinking about this week:



Infant Picture News question for this coming week



Junior Picture news for this coming week



Infant—What can we do if someone is feeling left out?

What makes you a hero?

Can anyone be a hero?

Real-life heroes are all around us! We all have our own versions of what a hero is to us. To many, a hero is someone who affects or changes the lives of others for the better.

Hand-drawn figures with handwritten text:

- Figure 1: brave, helping, some, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 2: Emily class 1, baby love, Milly, strength, kind, doing good.
- Figure 3: smart, strong, kind.
- Figure 4: brave, helping, some, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 5: smart, brave, helping, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 6: Herowee, brave, helping, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 7: brave, helping, some, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 8: does whatever that you want, help, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.
- Figure 9: mer, help, my mummy and daddy, NHS, my sister.



British Values



What makes you a hero?



British Values



Mutual Respect

Our behaviour, actions and words affect others. We all have the power to change people's lives for the better. We can all be heroes!



Sport at St James'



Year 1 Cross Country winners and reception runners



School Cross Country Race

Thankyou to Callum from Move Move for organising a cross country competition on Tuesday 23rd June. It was amazing to see the determination showed by our children, especially those children for whom running isn't their preferred sport!



House Speed Stacking Competition

After an exciting cross country event on the Tuesday, this was followed by whole school 'House Speed Stacking' competition on the Thursday 23rd June. The children raced in their houses to see who could 'speed stack' the fastest.

1st Fire

2nd Air

3rd Earth

4th Water



Prince of Wales Athletics Competition

On Monday 13th June, our Athletics team represented St James at the Cheltenham Athletics competition at the Prince of Wales Stadium. They have been training hard with Mr Sutton and Mrs Shannon, as baton changes in the relay can win or lose a race! The field and track team were incredible, supporting each other throughout. We were excited to win the boys overall trophy and then to receive the overall winners trophy. Another proud St James' sporting moment!





Infant and Junior Sports Day
The results of the Junior sports day were:
1st Fire
2nd Air
3rd Water
4th Earth
It was very close, with no more than 20 points between each house.



Feet First Dance Festival

We have loved welcoming Harwood Dance to St James' to run our Dance club over the last term. Our Junior dancers worked hard to prepare their dance for the 'Feet First' Dance Festival. All their hard work paid off, as their dance was AMAZING. Mrs Smith and the Harwood Teachers were so proud watching them perform with confidence and sassiness!

We look forward to welcoming Harwood back next year for our Dance Club and in Curriculum Dance lessons.



Lily Adamthwaite (class 7) came runner up in the John Lewis design a jubilee coin competition and went to John Lewis to collect her voucher prize and she will get a commemorative coin from royal mint who judged the competition! Over 300 children entered, well done Lily, who enjoyed drawing her coin -apparently the royal mint liked her design as they felt it could really translate into a coin.



Panathlon County Final Winners

As our Panathlon team won the Cheltenham Competition, they were invited to the County Final.

They returned to school very excited as they had won the County Final!

Well done Team Panathlon

Thankyou to our Year 6 pupils, Zoe Long and Isabelle Debney who helped as young leaders at this event.