

FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER 2024

NEWSLETTER



“If you want to enjoy the rainbow, be prepared to endure the storm.”



Pupil Leadership

This week, for Science Achievement assembly, the Science Pupil Leadership Team took over from the Pupil Principals to announce the achievers and give out the certificates!



I like Science because I can do some fun experiments. In my class we made a parachute and we let it go out of the window and our egg survived because of the air resistance! We also did water resistance with clay, we made a boat and it floated. **Lily**

I like Science because I like experiencing new things and Science has that. You can learn about forces, fossils and more It's really fun! - **Mia**

I like Science because of the different experiments we can do and the different things we learn. This half term we have been learning about inheritance.

Vivyanka

Year 5 pupil leaders - what is it that you like about Science?





This Week at James Dixon



This week, during our Governors meeting, we said thank you and 'hwyl fawr' to Kathy who has been our Clerk to Governors for 10 years. We said welcome and 'bonjour' to our new Clerk Cathy.

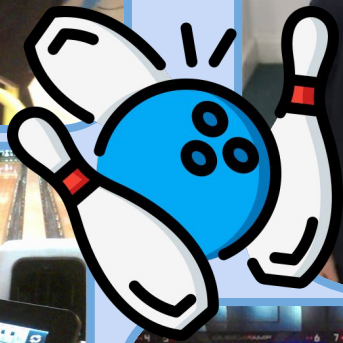
Term Dates 2024-2025

			
Term Starts	Monday 2nd September 2024	Monday 6th January 2025	Tuesday 22nd April 2025
Half Term	Monday 21st October - Friday 1st November 2024	Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025	Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025
Term Finishes	Friday 20th December 2024 @2pm	Friday 4th April 2025 @ 2pm	Tuesday 22nd July 2025

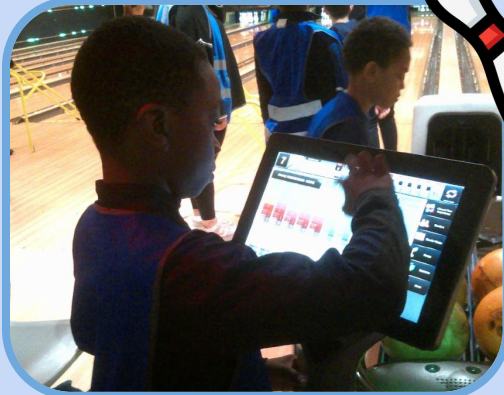
The Striking JD Bowlers



On Wednesday, the James Dixon bowlers travelled to Bromley Pavillion to compete in a Bowling Competition.



STRIKE



The children competed against ten other schools in the Bromley Borough and came in **2nd place overall!**

The adults were very impressed with the childrens' incredible teamwork and positive attitudes! Well done JD Bowlers!



Festive Food Bank Donations

Donating to our local food bank has become a tradition here at James Dixon and we are hoping to do the same again this year. We know that these are difficult times for many, so we are asking James Dixon families who are able, to please donate items to help restock our local food bank as we approach winter.



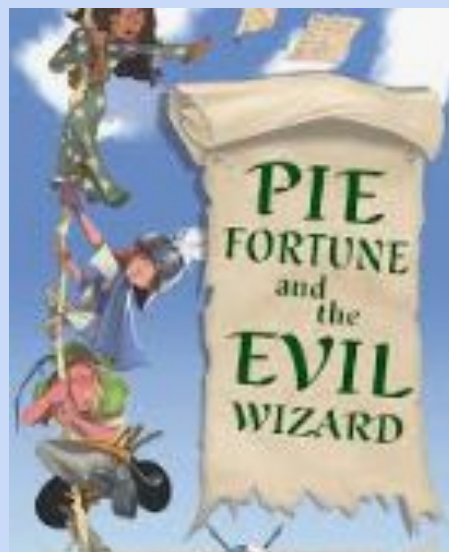
THANK YOU

Curriculum Focus - EYFS

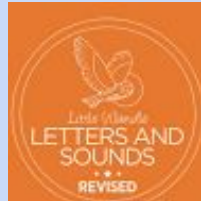
EARLY YEARS AT JAMES DIXON

The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) at James Dixon is delivered through a range of play based learning including investigation, exploration and innovation.

We use the Primary Knowledge Curriculum (PKC) to teach Understanding the World, which introduces children to History, Geography and RE in a way that is accessible and fun.



At James Dixon we use Little Wandle letters and sounds to teach our children the fundamentals of reading. This then develops to give them a lifelong love of books and reading.



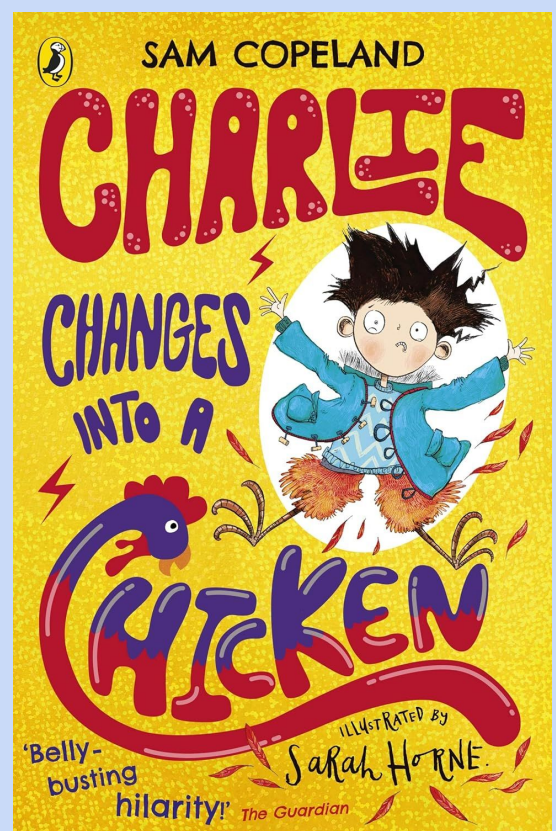
We're teaching every child to read with Little Wandle Letters and Sounds Revised

Sustainability

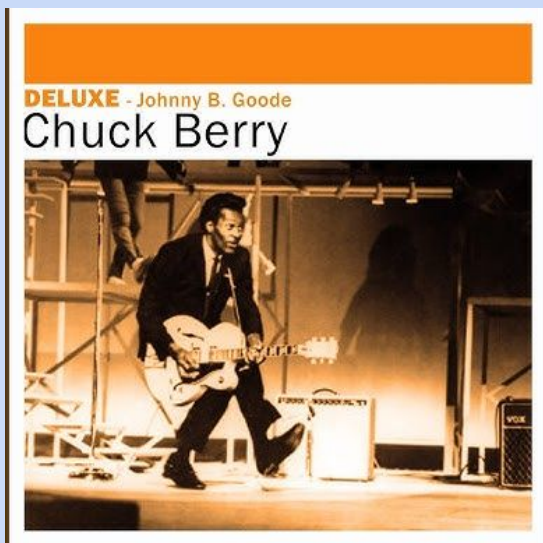


Book Recommendation

Charlie Changes Into a Chicken is a hilarious and heartwarming children's book written by Sam Copeland. The story follows Charlie McGuffin, a young boy with a unique superpower; he can transform into animals whenever he feels anxious or stressed. The book explores themes of anxiety, friendship, and self-acceptance in a humorous and relatable way. It has become a popular choice for young readers who enjoy humorous and heartwarming stories.



Composer of the Week!



Click the link to listen!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uf4rxCB4lys>

Chuck Berry - Jonny B Goode

Composed in 1957

Genre: Rock n roll

This was Chuck Berry's biggest hit

The song tells the story of a young, talented guitarist from Louisiana who rises to fame

Online Safety

It can be hard to talk to children, and especially teens, about their online lives, but it's so important. This is why:

73% of pupils trust parents on online safety, but only 56% talk about it more than once a year

94% of pupils who have spoken about their worst experience online told someone they knew – 71% told a parent/carer



#DeviceFreeDinner

So what can you do? We recommend a [family agreement](#) to make clear what is allowed...or not, how much time you can spend on devices, and ground rules like no phones at the table or in the bedroom at night-time. Watch the video with Will Ferrell to see why parents need to take part too! Shared expectations will reduce arguments and keep everyone safe & healthy.



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION



Friday 13th December 2024

Winter themed bake sale 3pm
(We will also sell light wands and class tea towels)

Friday 10th January 2025

PTA AGM 8.45am to 9.45am
(Online and in person with refreshments, a chance to learn more about what we have achieved for your children and get involved)

Friday 7th February 2025

PTA QUIZ NIGHT

Phoenix Community Centre Evening
(With Quiz Master Mr Entwistle, tickets will go on sale in January, start gathering your teams!)

Dates
for the **Diary**



Weekly Attendance

Be here every day, all day!

92%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	82%
Respectful	98%
Honest	98%
Energetic	97%
Expressive	94%
Reflective	97%
Resilient	89%
Considerate	96%
Kind	92%
Capable	98%
Cooperative	96%
Caring	93%
Successful	86%

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Next week's achievers

Art/DT

Energetic	Nahla
Expressive	Kaiya
Reflective	Henry
Resilient	Milena
Kind	Jerome
Considerate	Assiya
Capable	Saafir
Cooperative	Rory
Caring	Mary
Successful	Zachary

Dates for your diary

<p><u>Mon. 2nd December</u></p> <p><u>SWIMMING Yr 4 Kind Class</u></p> <p><u>Horniman Museum Trip Yr 3</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 am</p> <p>Football Club 3.00 pm</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tues. 3rd December</u></p> <p><u>SWIMMING Yr 4 Kind Class</u></p> <p><u>Christ Church Yr 1</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec - Yr 1 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 4th December</u></p> <p><u>SWIMMING Yr 4 Kind Class</u></p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2-6 7.30 am</p> <p>Achievers Assembly 10.15 am (invitees only)</p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Singing Club Yr 2-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6</p>	<p><u>Thurs. 5th December</u></p> <p><u>SWIMMING Yr 4 Kind Class</u></p> <p>Creative Writing Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Steel Pan Club Yr 3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Steel Pan Club Yr 4 3.30 pm</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Friday 6th December</u></p> <p><u>SWIMMING Yr 4 Kind Class</u></p> <p><u>Crystal Palace Park trip Yr 5</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec - Yr 6 7.50 am</p>
<p><u>Mon. 9th December</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 am</p> <p>Football Club 3.00 pm</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tues. 10th December</u></p> <p><u>KS1 Christmas Performance 1.30pm</u> (Respectful and Energetic Class Parents only)</p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec - Yr 1 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 11th December</u></p> <p><u>Reception Christmas Performance 2pm</u></p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2-6 7.30 am</p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Singing Club Yr 2-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6</p>	<p><u>Thur. 12th December</u></p> <p><u>KS1 Christmas Performance 1.30pm</u> (Honest and Expressive Class Parents only)</p> <p><u>Visit to Christ Church Yr 2-6</u></p> <p>Creative Writing Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm#</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Fri. 13th December</u></p> <p><u>Children's Christmas Lunch & Jumper Day</u></p> <p><u>Transport Trip Reception</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec - Yr 6 7.50 am</p> <p>Dance Club Performance 8.15 am</p> <p>PTA Bake Sale 3.00 pm</p>
<p><u>Mon. 16th December</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 am</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tues. 17th December</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec - Yr 1 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 18th December</u></p> <p><u>Preschool Space Day</u></p>	<p><u>Thur. 19th December</u></p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Fri. 20th December</u></p> <p>LAST DAY</p> <p>School finishes at 2.00 pm</p>

You're invited to ... ✨ ✨ ✨

Community Carol Singing

Saturday 14th December 3pm
Starts @ Budgens, 4 Croydon Road

'Messy Christmas' with Christingle

Sunday 15th December 4pm
@ St Paul's Church, Hamlet Road, SE19 2AW
Craft, activities, food & an informal service. For children (with adults). ✨ ✨ ✨

All Age Nativity Services

Sunday 22nd December 10:30am
@ St Paul's Church, Hamlet Road, SE19 2AW &
Christ Church Anerley, 197 Anerley Road, SE20 8ER
Informal service - dress as a nativity character ✨ ✨ ✨

Carols & Mince Pies

Sunday 22nd December 6pm
@ St Paul's Church, Hamlet Road, SE19 2AW

Carols & Mince Pies

Tuesday 24th December 6pm
@ Christ Church Anerley, 197 Anerley Road, SE20 8ER

Christmas Eve Midnight Service

Tuesday 24th December 11:30pm
@ Christ Church Anerley, 197 Anerley Road, SE20 8ER

Christmas Day Celebration Service

Wednesday 25th December 10:30am
@ Christ Church Anerley,
197 Anerley Road, SE20 8ER

New Year's Eve Service

Tuesday 31st December 10:30pm
@ Christ Church Anerley,
197 Anerley Road, SE20 8ER

**Christ Church &
St Paul's, Anerley**



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

James Dixon Preschool

Morning and Afternoon session availability

Mornings: 8.30-11.30am Afternoons: 12.15-3.15pm

What we do:

We focus on learning through play, providing enriching play opportunities and learning experiences.



We also have learning sessions, including:

- Phonics
- Maths
- History/science/geography

We also have weekly Forest school and PE lessons.



Please scan QR code to visit our website and complete an application form.

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COURTESY THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

Winter Holiday Fun

Bromley's Holiday Activities
and Food programme

[www.bromley.gov.uk/
HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)



Winter Programme

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of benefit-related free school meals. Take part in **sport, music, drama, art, cooking and much more** during the 2024 winter holiday. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!

WINTER



To find out which activities are near you and to sign up please visit:
[www.bromley.gov.uk/
HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)

Or email
[HolidayActivitiesandFood
@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:HolidayActivitiesandFood@bromley.gov.uk)



Respecting Our Neighbours



Please note that all of the parking bays on William Booth Road are private; paid for by the residents.



Help us to have positive relationships with our neighbours.



Respect our neighbours

DO NOT PARK IN PRIVATE BAYS

