

FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2025

NEWSLETTER



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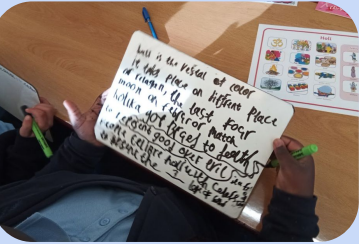
Curious people are interesting people

This Week at James Dixon






On Wednesday we had 'RE Day'. The starting points for our Religious Education curriculum are the 'Big Questions' This week we took a deep dive into Hinduism.

We were lucky to have a visitor to launch our RE day. A big thank you to Malati for visiting.



Term Dates 2025

					
Term Starts	Monday 6th January 2025		Tuesday 22nd April 2025		Monday 1st September 2025
Half Term	Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February 2025		Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025		Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October
Term Finishes	Friday 4th April 2025 @ 2pm		Tuesday 22nd July 2025 @ 2pm		Friday 19th December @ 2pm

Curriculum Focus - Maths

WE
LOVE
MATHS

Maths

 $2+2=4$

Maths is really fun because there are different activities in the lesson like 'Fluent in Five,' counting and the main task. We use Rally Robin to practise our times tables.

I LOVE MATHS!
Adam Y4

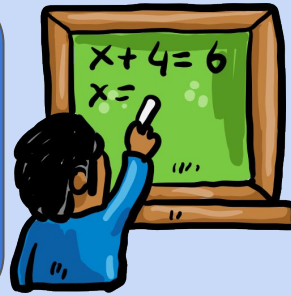
You can get really good at it by practising. I am getting really good at my number bonds. You learn lots.

I LOVE MATHS!
Romy Y1



There's so many methods, formulas and calculations to work things out. I love unknown algebra and can't wait to learn it in Year 6.

I LOVE MATHS!
Vivyanka Y5



I LOVE MATHS because it's a fun subject. Our teachers are really nice and they explain things in a way that is easy to understand. Personally, I think if you listen well it makes it easier to understand.

Liam Y6

Maths is fun because you have to think hard to work something out and even if you get the answer wrong, it doesn't matter.

I LOVE MATHS!
Marley Y3

I LOVE MATHS because I like learning maths words like multiplication. This means you are adding the number over and over again.

Amarise Y2

Meet our Maths Pupil Leadership Team:



Lexie
Year 5



Masen
Year 5



Jibril
Year 5



Asiyah
Year 5



Kaamil
Year 5



Charlie
Year 6



Timi
Year 6



Zach
Year 6

Pupil Leadership



Hey James Dixon, have you had a nice week? Yesterday, we finished our English writing which was a dialogue-driven narrative about a mysterious door in a tree. I wonder which song will get chosen as the next one we will learn in singing assembly.

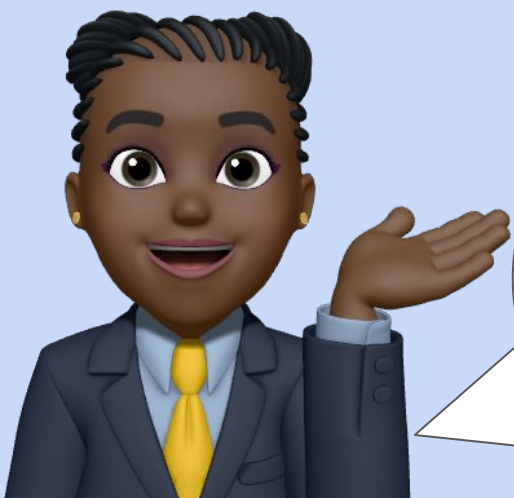
Hello J.D - remember when we voted for the songs for singing assembly? I don't think Shine Bright Like a Diamond is going to win! From now on you can call me Michael Jackson 2.0 after my moonwalk in assembly!



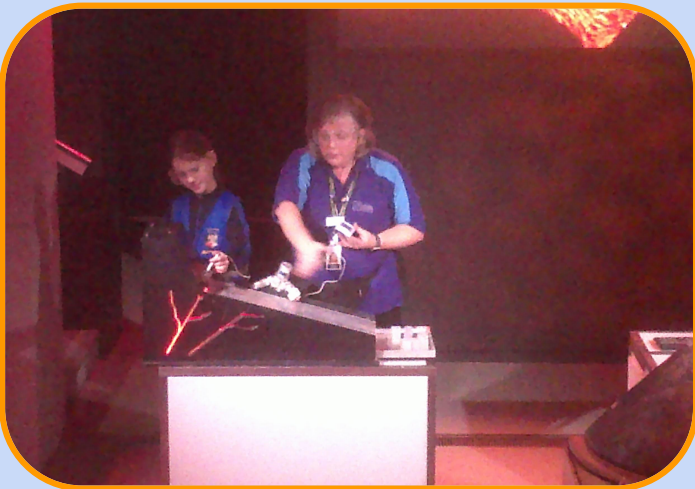
Why did a scarecrow win a Nobel prize?

He was outstanding in his field!

Hey JD, I wonder what song you picked for singing assembly - I hope Reach for the Stars wins.



National History Museum



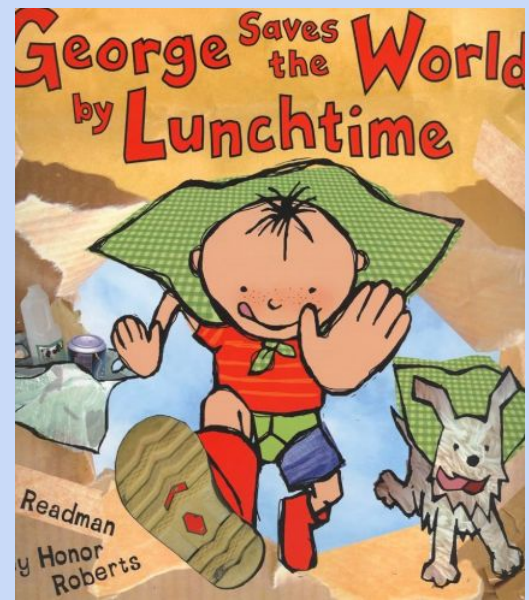
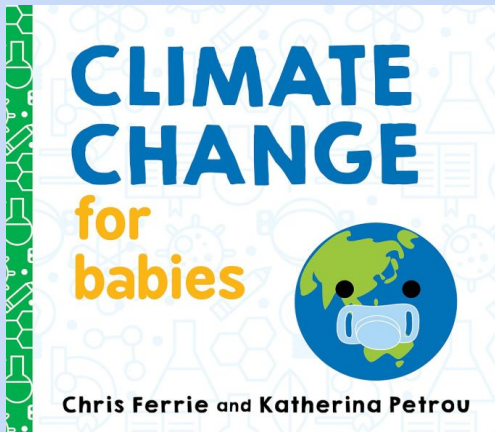
On Friday 31st January, Year 5 travelled by train and tube to the Natural History Museum to learn more about mountains, volcanoes and earthquakes as part of their current Geography topic.

Great fun was had by all exploring the museum and witnessing an explosive volcanic eruption in the workshop.



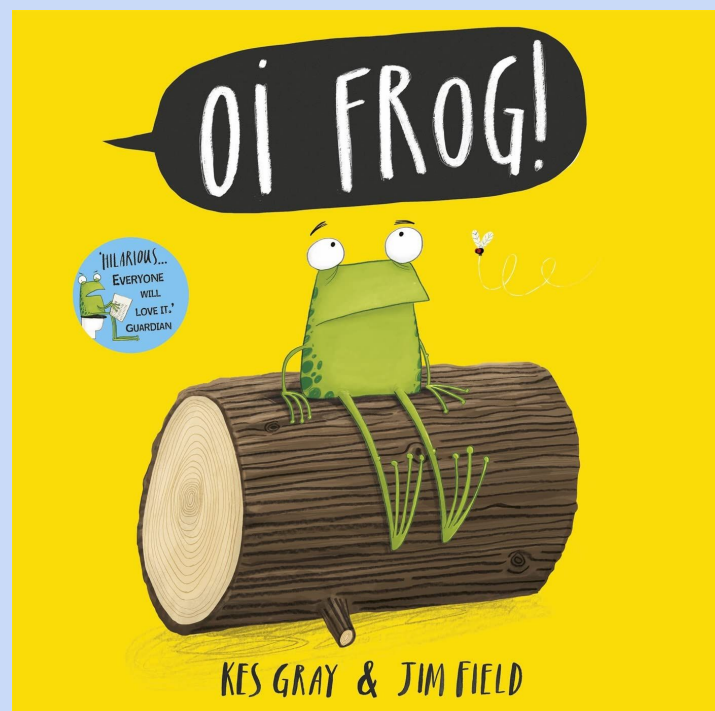
Sustainability

JD's best book recommendations to help children understand climate change and how they can help take care of our planet.



Book Recommendation

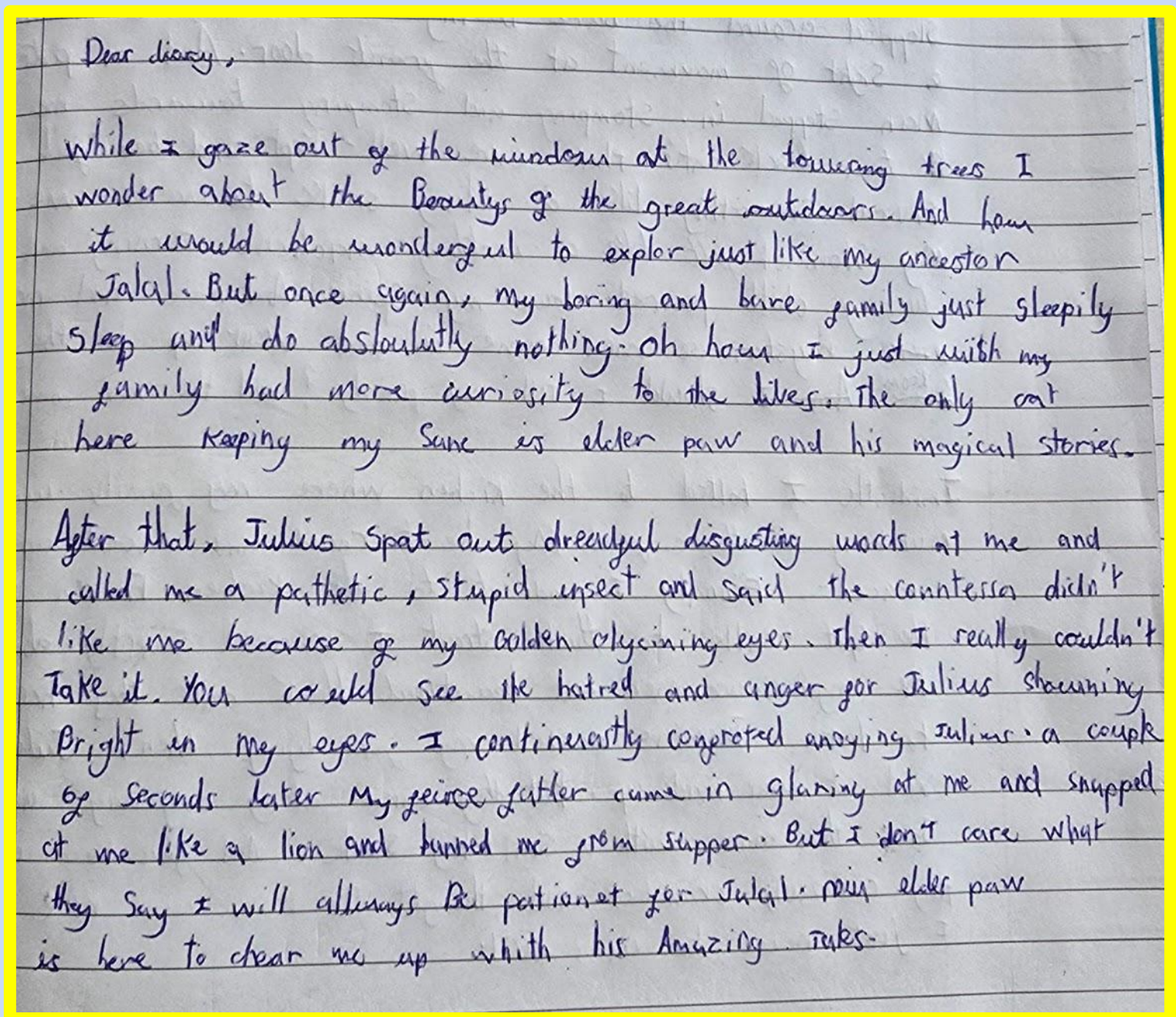
"Oi Frog!" is a hilarious picture book by Kes Gray and Jim Field. It tells the story of a frog who doesn't want to sit on a log, as cats traditionally do. The frog argues his point, leading to a comical chain of questions and answers about where different animals should sit. With its catchy rhymes, silly animal antics, and vibrant illustrations, "Oi Frog!" is a guaranteed giggle-fest for young readers.



Exciting Writing!

This fantastic piece of diary writing was written by Sofia in Year 4.

The children have been working on writing a diary in role as Varjak the cat from the book, Varjak Paw.



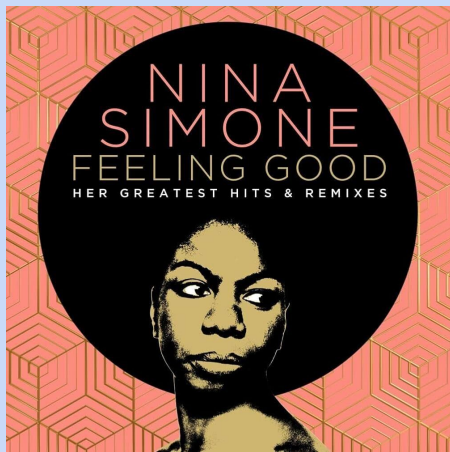
The Decorating Event

Dulux Walls & Ceilings Eggshell Colour	£22	£15
Wickes Walls & Ceilings Smooth White 840	£15	£10
Crown Walls & Ceilings	£19	£12

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Ends 26th February

Composition of the Week!



Click here to listen

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oHs98TEYecM>

Nina Simone - Feelin' Good

Genre: jazz/ blues

Composed in 1964 by English composers Anthony Newley and Leslie Bricusse

Nina Simone made the song famous and since then it has been performed by so many artists and is often sampled in songs

What does it mean if you 'sample' a piece of music? Can you think of any other examples of this in songs you know?

Let's Celebrate!



In December, Laura played her violin in front of the whole school. We were so impressed with her poise and skills. She's now had the stamp of approval from ABRSM exam board who have awarded her with Grade 1 Violin.

Congratulations!

Weekly Attendance

Be here every day, all day!

96%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	94%
Respectful	100%
Honest	99%
Energetic	97%
Expressive	99%
Reflective	97%
Resilient	96%
Considerate	98%
Kind	98%
Capable	95%
Cooperative	96%
Caring	99%
Successful	91%

James Dixon
Primary



Next week's achievers

Computing

Energetic	Ezra
Expressive	David
Reflective	Nikolay
Resilient	Hazal
Kind	Ted
Considerate	Lewis
Capable	Rosie
Cooperative	Percival
Caring	Willow
Successful	Sophie

Dates for your diary

<p><u>Mon. 10th February</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 am</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Football Club Rec-Yr 6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Parents evening from 3.10 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Tue. 11th February</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec - Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 12th February</u></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><u>Parents evening from 3.10 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Thur. 13th February</u></p> <p>Penge & Anerley Field Trip Yr 6</p> <p>China Workshop Rec - Yr 1</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 14th February</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p> <p>Spirit of the Wild workshop Yr 2</p>
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JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION



Could you be a Virtual JD Class Rep?



We are looking for parents and carers to help in their Class/Year WhatsApp Group.

Do you want to help but don't have time to volunteer in person?

Encourage others to join the WhatsApp Group

Forward PTA messages and questions to Your Group

Pass feedback from Your Group to the PTA

Encourage your Class/Year to be involved/support/come to PTA events.

Without Year/Class reps we lose a key communication channel.

We really need support for:
Year 1 and Colourful Class

Please get in touch to learn more:
jamesdixonpta@gmail.com

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PROGRESS THROUGH KNOWLEDGE



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

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

