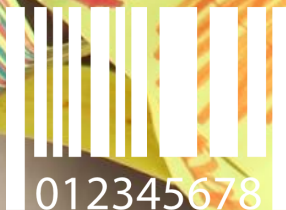


FRIDAY 16TH MAY 2025

# NEWSLETTER



*"Let the summer begin with adventures that never end."*

# Next Week at James Dixon

## HEALTH WEEK...KEY INFO YOU NEED TO KNOW!



Children may come to school in Active Uniform every day [See the full letter here.](#)



On **Tuesday** there will be a sponsored fitness challenge. [See the full letter here.](#)



Weather permitting, Sports Day will take place on **Thursday**. [See the full letters for each Key Stage here.](#) **ENTRY BY TICKET ONLY**



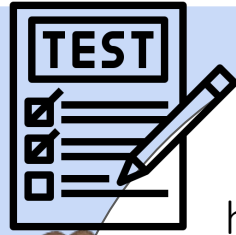
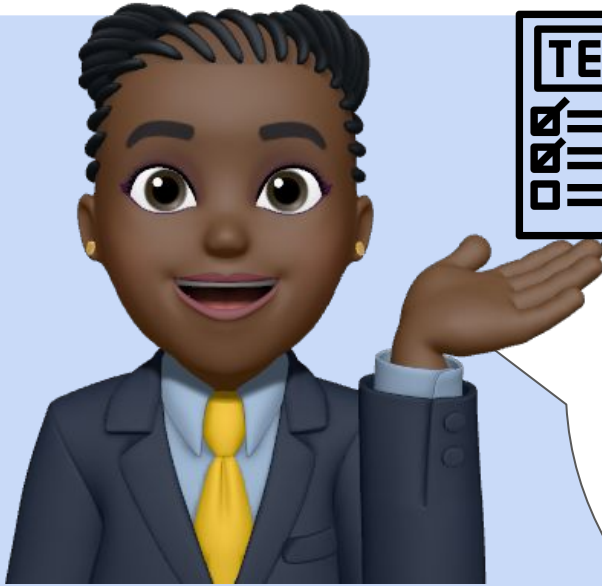
On **Friday** children are invited to wear red white and/or blue for our end of Health Week picnic which will be a [celebration of VE Day.](#)



## Term Dates 2025

	<p><b>HELLO SUMMER</b></p>		<p><b>HELLO AUTUMN</b></p>		<p><b>HELLO SPRING</b></p>
<b>Term Starts</b>	Tuesday 22nd April 2025		Monday 1st September 2025		Monday 5th January 2026
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025		Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October 2025		Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
<b>Term Finishes</b>	Tuesday 22nd July 2025 @ 2pm		Friday 19th December @ 2pm		Friday 27th March 2026 @ 2pm

# Pupil Leadership



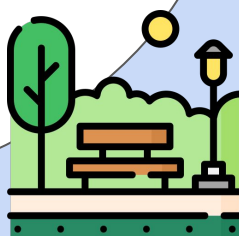
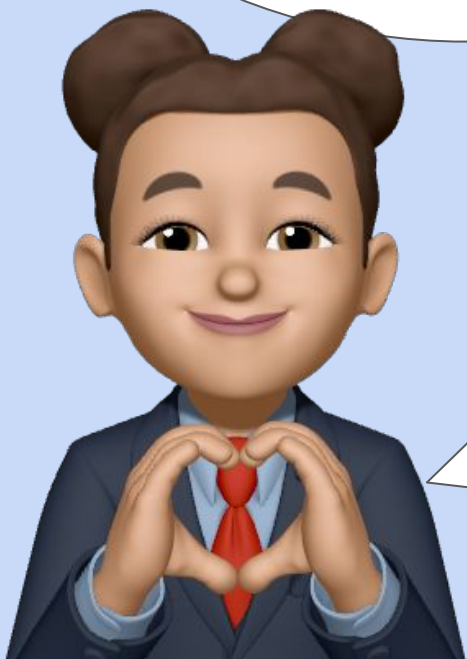
Hey James Dixon,  
This week us Year 6 are having SATS not mock SATS - we're having the real thing! A top tip for the ones who are nervous for SATS, it's ok because it's just all of the things you have learnt in primary school. I hope this helped people in other year groups, especially year 5..

Hi James Dixon,  
This week, all the Year 6 students took their SATs. The real deal. Anyway, in Year 5 and 6 in Science, part of our Living Creatures and their Habitats topic we will be creating a butterfly garden. We already have the caterpillars and are now waiting for them to turn into butterflies!



Hi JD, how was your week. Up here in Year 6 we had SATS tests from Monday to Thursday. On Friday, we got to have a rest by going to the park. It was really fun. SATS is not as bad as you think. Have an amazing weekend JD.

Siana



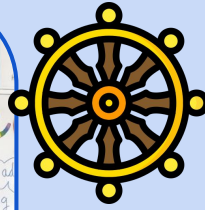
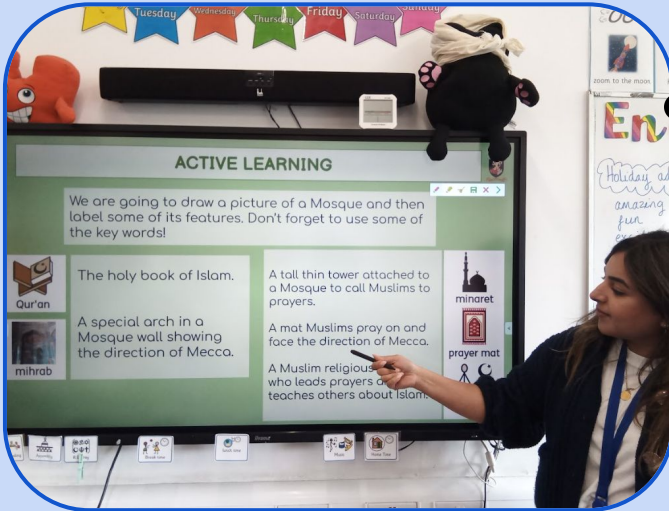
# Curriculum Focus - RE



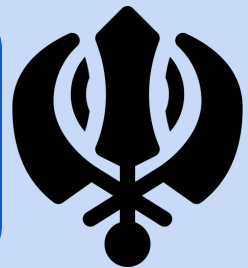
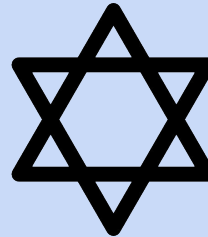
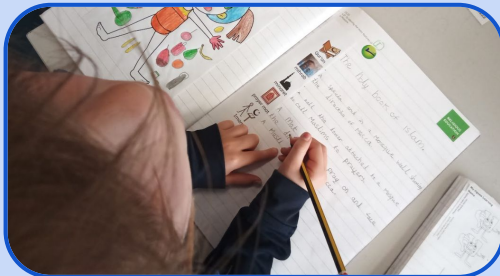
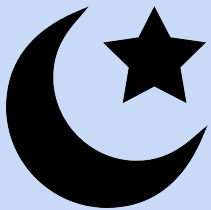
RE in EYFS



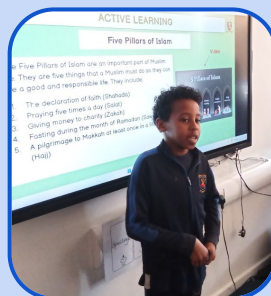
At James Dixon, we have an RE day every half term. Each Year group has a different theme that stays the same for each RE day, but with a focus on a different religion.



In Year 1, the children learn about different places of worship for each religion.



Year 2 children find out about traditional food eaten at different festivals.



Year 3 find out about what stories tell us about how people understand the beginning of the world.

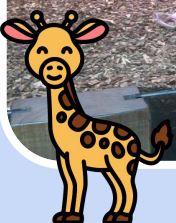
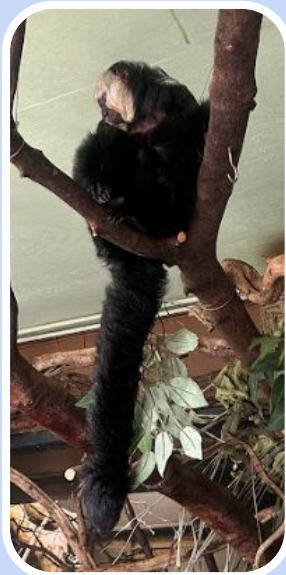
# A Roaring Time at London Zoo



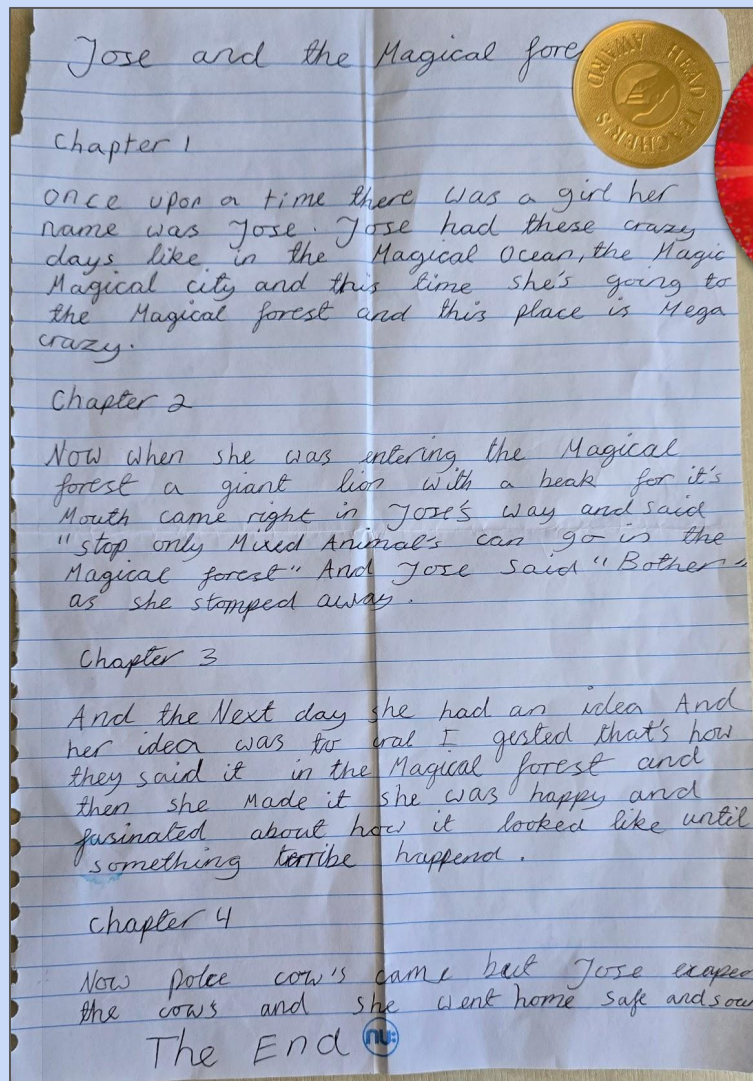
On Friday 9th May, Year 5 took a trip to London Zoo for our Science topic of Living Things & their Habitats.

The children had a fantastic time getting to see a wonderful array of animals, including Baby Gorillas, Penguins, Tigers, Komodo Dragons, Giraffes, Zebras, many types of Monkeys, Sloths and a cornucopia of creepy crawlies.

Thankfully, the weather cooperated, too, and all returned to JD exhausted but excited to recount the awe-inspiring experience.



# Exciting Writing!

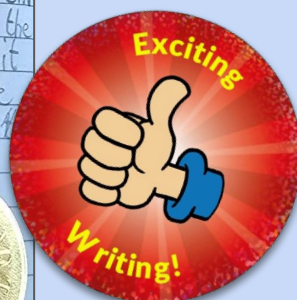
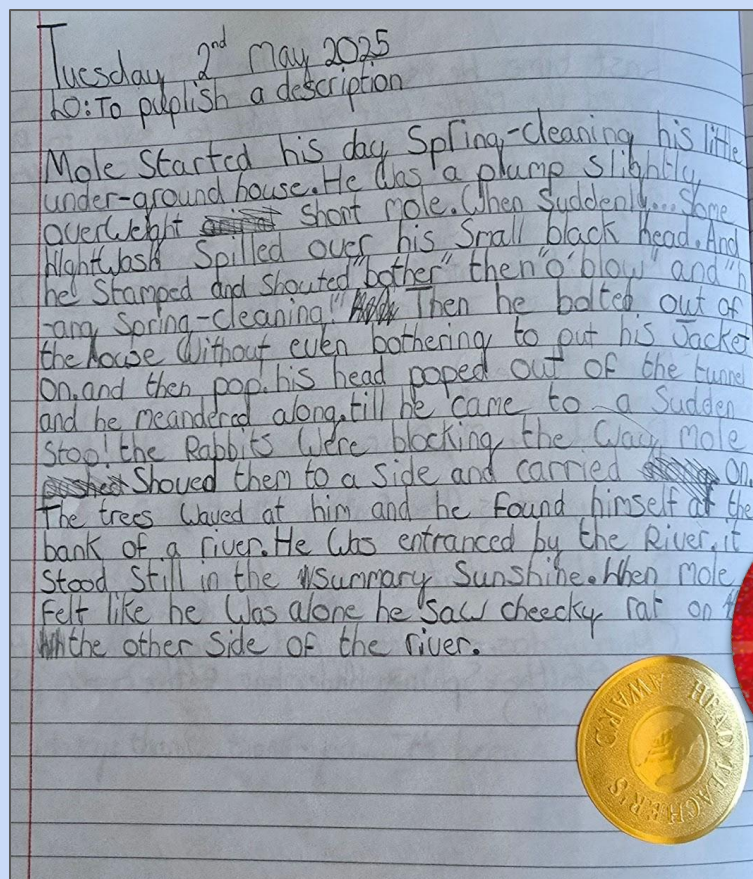


By Milena

These two pieces of Exciting Writing were produced by two members of Resilient Class - Amber and Milena!

I was so impressed by the work they've produced and they're still only in Year 3!

I think there are big things to come from these two!



By Amber



# Sustainability

## Eco-Code

1. Recycle, Reuse and Reduce
2. If you see litter, pick it up.
3. Eat less meat, more veg!
4. Turn off the power when not in use.
5. Be kind to our environment
6. Don't waste water
7. Don't waste paper
8. Everyone is responsible!

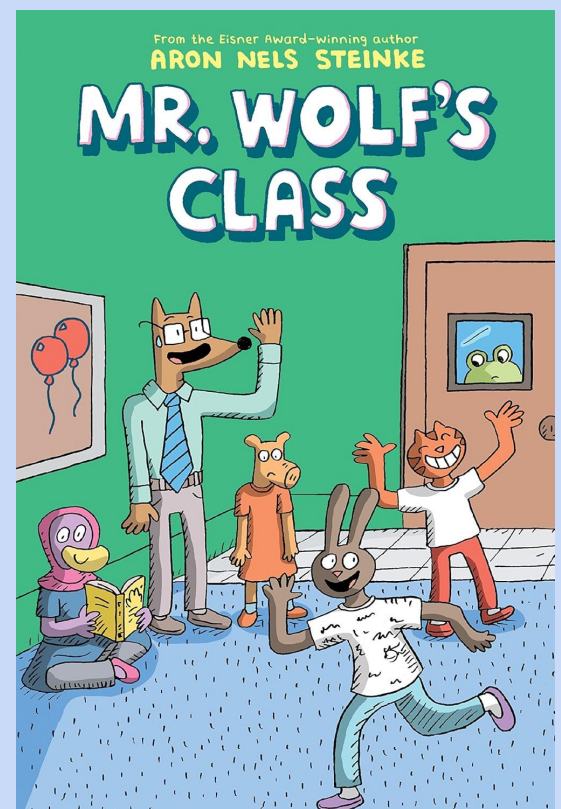


www.eco-schools.org.uk

Our Eco code  
Created by the pupils  
at James Dixon!

## Book Recommendation

Mr. Wolf's Class is a humorous graphic novel series that warmly captures the everyday happenings in a Year 4 classroom. Mr. Wolf, a new teacher at Hazelwood Elementary, navigates the challenges and joys of his diverse group of students, each with their own unique personalities and quirks. The book delightfully portrays the relatable ups and downs of school life through engaging storytelling and lively illustrations. It's a charming series that celebrates friendship, understanding, and the often-unpredictable world of primary school.



LET'S CELEBRATE THE 80 YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY  
FRIDAY 23RD MAY  
1.15PM



# VE DAY PICNIC



CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO WEAR RED, WHITE AND/OR BLUE CLOTHING AND MAY BRING A PICNIC BLANKET AND A SMALL SNACK TO EAT AT THE PICNIC; PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY PRODUCTS CONTAINING NUTS.

James Dixon Presents...

# FUNDAY MONDAY

WONDERFUL WELLBEING ACTIVITIES

EXCITING ECO FUN

PLUS THE RETURN OF JD'S GOT TALENT!

**'IT'S GREAT TO CREATE'**

## 16TH JUNE

Got a secret talent?

**JDGT Auditions will take place the first  
week back after half term**

**These can be individual or part of a group**

**DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!**

Please note, this event will take place during  
school hours and is for pupils only

# Composition of the Week



Click here to listen  
[We Are Happy](#)

## Makhadzi - We Are Happy

Genre: Afrobeats

Composed in 2024

This is a happy, uplifting song about celebration

*What songs make you happy? Which songs would make you want to celebrate through song and dance?*

# Online Safety



## Search safely

If you let your child search independently, make sure safe search is activated on Google and other search engines, as well as restricted mode on YouTube. You can set your default search to one designed specifically for children.

# Weekly Attendance

*Be here every day, all day!*

94%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	85%
Honest	96%
Respectful	97%
Energetic	92%
Expressive	98%
Reflective	95%
Resilient	92%
Considerate	98%
Kind	97%
Capable	93%
Cooperative	95%
Caring	98%
Successful	97%

James Dixon  
Primary



# Next week's achievers

## Writing

<b>Energetic Class</b>	<b>Zion</b>
<b>Expressive Class</b>	<b>Anaya</b>
<b>Reflective Class</b>	<b>Isabella</b>
<b>Resilient Class</b>	<b>Reign</b>
<b>Kind Class</b>	<b>Vasilis</b>
<b>Considerate Class</b>	<b>Charleny</b>
<b>Capable Class</b>	<b>Blake</b>
<b>Cooperative Class</b>	<b>Roman</b>
<b>Caring Class</b>	<b>Mary</b>
<b>Successful Class</b>	<b>Ela</b>



# Dates for your diary

<p><u>Monday 19th May</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>Little Coders Club Yr 1 - 2 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 20th May</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 21st May</u></p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2 - 6 7.45 am</p> <p><u>Achievers Assembly</u> <u>10.15 am</u></p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Thursday 22nd May</u></p> <p><b><u>SPORTS DAY</u></b></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>Creative Writing Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Friday 23rd May</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p>
<p><u>Monday 26th May</u></p> <p><b><u>HALF TERM</u></b></p>	<p><u>Tuesday 27th May</u></p> <p><b><u>HALF TERM</u></b></p>	<p><u>Wed. 28th May</u></p> <p><b><u>HALF TERM</u></b></p>	<p><u>Thursday 29th May</u></p> <p><b><u>HALF TERM</u></b></p>	<p><u>Friday 30th May</u></p> <p><b><u>HALF TERM</u></b></p>
<p><u>Monday 2nd June</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>Little Coders Club Yr 1 - 2 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 3rd June</u></p> <p><u>Year 5 Open House</u> <u>1.30 pm</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 4th June</u></p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2 - 6 7.45 am</p> <p><u>Achievers Assembly</u> <u>10.15 am</u></p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Thursday 5th June</u></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>Creative Writing Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Friday 6th June</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p>





**COME IN AND AND SEE  
WHAT YOUR CHILD HAS  
BEEN LEARNING!**

# **OPEN HOUSE 1.30PM ONWARDS**

**Tuesday 3rd June - Year 5**

**Tuesday 10th June - Year 3**

**Tuesday 17th June - Year 1**

**Tuesday 24th June - Year 4**

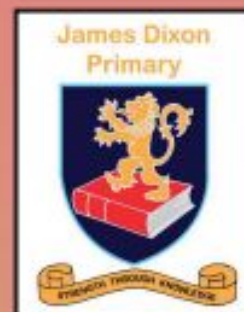
**Tuesday 1st July - Year 2**



# PTA Event



**JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION**



**PLEASE START  
COLLECTING**



**AND CONTENTS**



**AHEAD OF**

**Picnic & Proms**

**IN JULY**



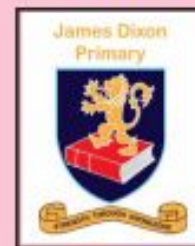
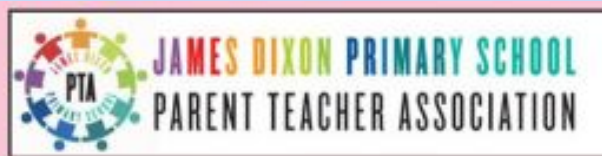
## **What is a Jolly Jar?**

Jolly Jars are medium and large jam jars, with lids, that parents and carers fill up at home with a mix of fun treats for children and donate to the PTA for Picnic & Proms.

These might include wrapped sweets (no nuts), unused small toys, stickers, hair clips, stationery, keyrings, stamps and more. They can be decorated with stickers, ribbons, drawings, but don't have to be.

At Picnic & Proms we will have a stall where children pay £1+ to pull a ticket out of a box. They then match their ticket to a Jolly Jar and enjoy the treats.

# PTA Event



## Introducing the **PICNIC & PROMS** Pocket Money Card

A new way to pay at Picnic & Proms -  
**cashless & child friendly!**

Front:



Back:



### How it works:

1. Purchase the card for **£5**
2. Enjoy **£6** of fun and treats, receiving a stamp with each purchase.

**£1 FREE!**

**1 stamp = £1**

**On Sale EVERY Friday until July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**After School at the PTA Stall 3pm - 3:10pm.**

**Thank you for supporting JDPS PTA fundraising!**