

FRIDAY 27TH JUNE 2025

NEWSLETTER



A warm smile is the universal language of kindness

This Week at James Dixon



This week our school played host to St Anthony's Primary School. They held their sports day on our field and were supported by our sports leads and Miss Huxley. Well done team!

Term Dates 2025

					
Term Starts	Tuesday 22nd April 2025		Monday 1st September 2025		Monday 5th January 2026
Half Term	Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May 2025		Monday 20th October - Friday 31st October 2025		Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
Term Finishes	Tuesday 22nd July 2025 @ 2pm		Friday 19th December @ 2pm		Friday 27th March 2026 @ 2pm

Pupil Leadership



Hi JD, Y6 have been on the residential and it was so much fun. I really missed my parents and siblings so I am very happy to be back. I hope that you have enjoyed your week. Bye.

Siana



Hello JD,
Year 6 went on their residential last weekend. It was really good fun. We did giant stand up paddle boarding and I got pushed in loads of times and got soaked.
By Rose.



Sup JD! Last weekend I went to the residential and it was great. Although I can't tell you about everything, I can tell you my 3 favorites it was caving, giant stand up paddleboarding and the high ropes.

From Zach.



Curriculum Focus - D&T

I really enjoyed cooking and making cushions.

Sophia, Y4

D.T. AT

I like getting to be creative and make things with recycled materials.

Arthur, Y6

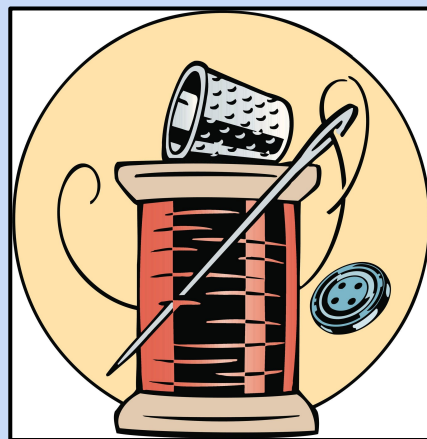
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At JD we are nurturing the children's skills in cooking, sewing and building through our DT curriculum.

Each term children complete at least one unit in DT that follows the design process of Research > Design > Make > Evaluate.

The aim is to improve the skills year on year so that JD pupils leave in Year 6 confident in completing the cooking, sewing and building independently.



Year 6 - Norfolk Lakes

Wow, what a weekend Year 6 had! On Friday 20th June, Year 6 travelled to Norfolk for their residential trip. The children took part in many different activities, including canoeing, kayaking, climbing and high ropes. They had a fantastic weekend and were a real credit to the school and their parents.



Me and my friend were in a boat and she made the boat flip over. I got all wet!

Kaiyah



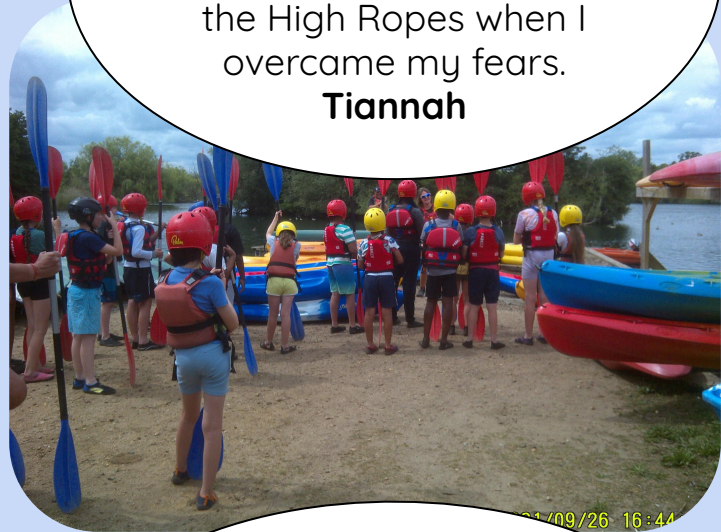
I learnt that you should always try even if you're scared and never give up. That's what I did on the High Ropes when I overcame my fears.

Tiannah



I liked racing during kayaking and I also liked the food. My favourite was the burger. I loved the tuck shop. I bought a Fredo, Pringles, Maltesers and a Fanta. At night, I made up a quote: "Believe what you believe. We will all see at the end"

Umar



My favourite activity was the high ropes because I enjoyed the thrill of jumping off at the end.

Ben C

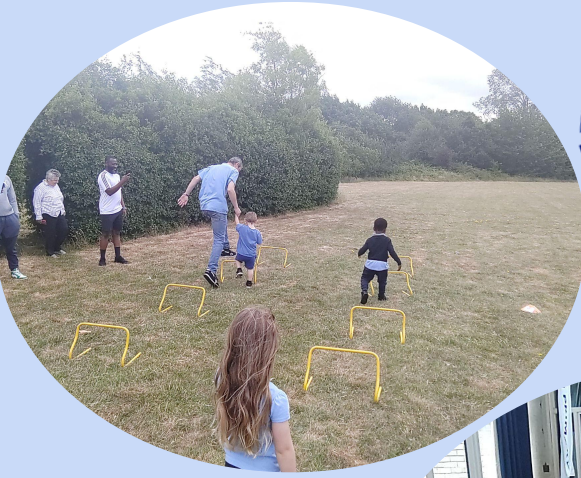


Preschool Sports Day

Ready, Steady, GO!

Awesome class had their sports day on Thursday, and so much fun was had, by children and parents.

The children jumped hurdles, balanced eggs on spoons, we zigged and zagged, and ran as fast as their little feet could go. Well done Preschool!



THE GIRL AND THE ROBOT



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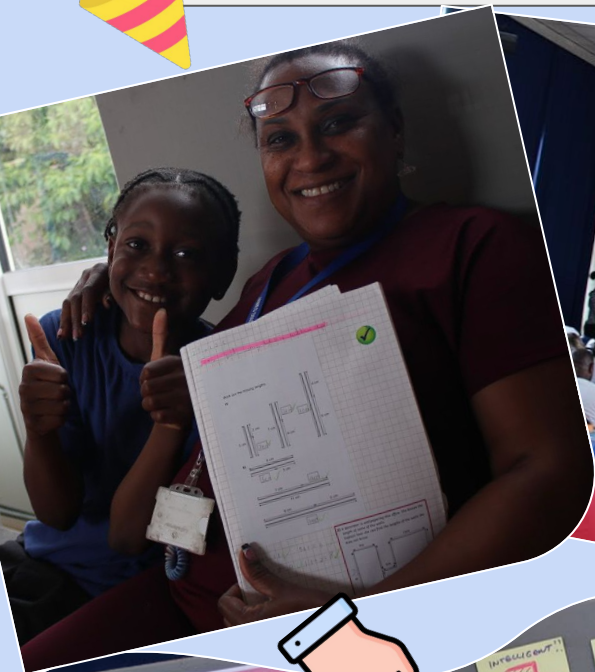
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for **£5**



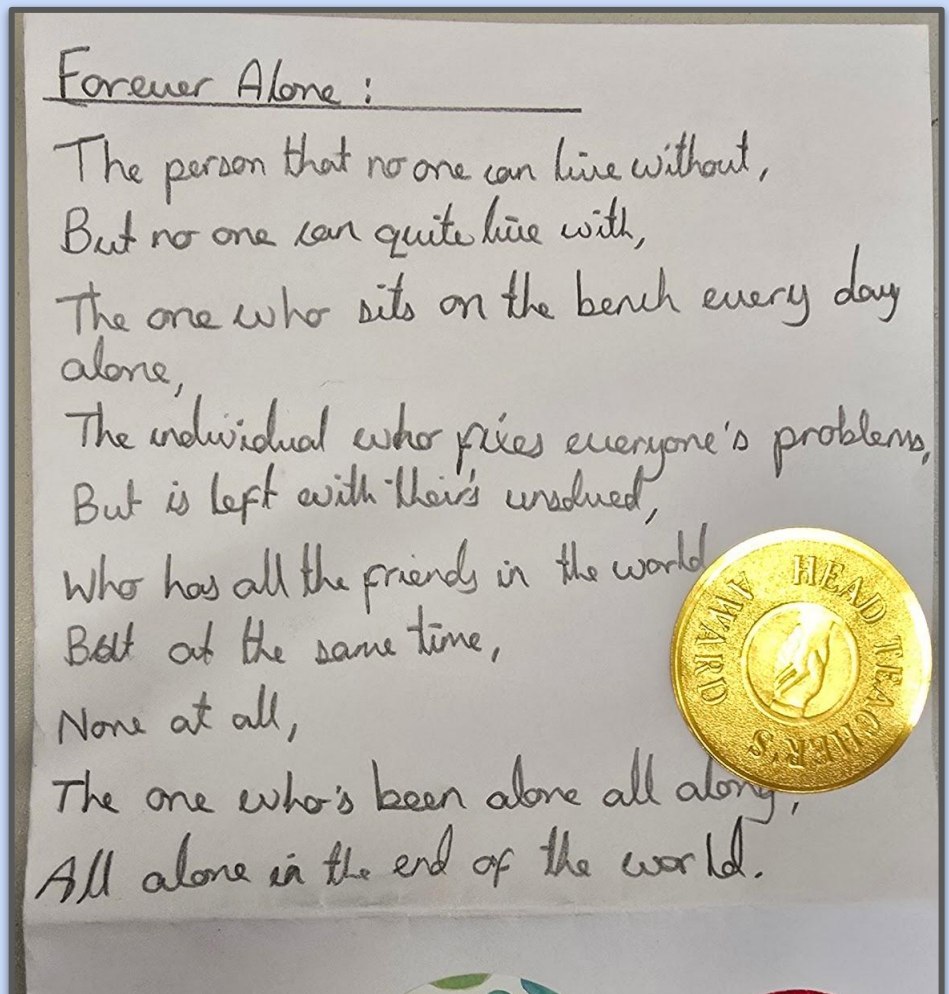
We've got a new book coming out this summer and we've got a whole box available at cost price for James Dixon pupils. All our books are by a diverse range of authors and illustrators.

Year 4 - Open House

On Tuesday afternoon Year 4 welcomed parents and carers to their Open House. It was an afternoon filled with celebration as children were proudly able to show their adults just how far they have come over the year. Parents enjoyed getting to hear songs from the Year 4 production again and even took part in a whole year Quizziz battle! Thank you everyone for coming and for the lovely messages you wrote to the children!



Exciting Writing!



This week, I wanted to share something a little different. This piece of Exciting Writing was produced by Eliza in Year 5.

This is a poem she wrote about someone who's there, but not there. Someone who always turns up when you need them.

It's an amazing poem but what makes it even more special is that she wrote this outside of school! I love seeing things the children write in school but it's even better to see something they chose to write for themselves!

Well done Eliza!



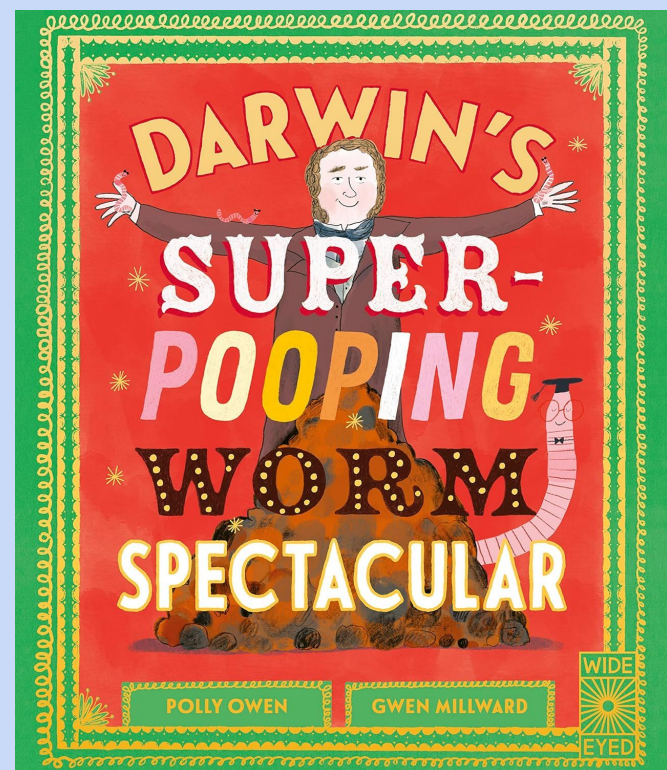
Sustainability

“The best motto to think about is not waste things. Don't waste electricity, don't waste paper, don't waste food. Live the way you want to live but just don't waste. Look after the natural world, and the animals in it, and the plants in it too. This is their planet as well as ours. Don't waste them.”

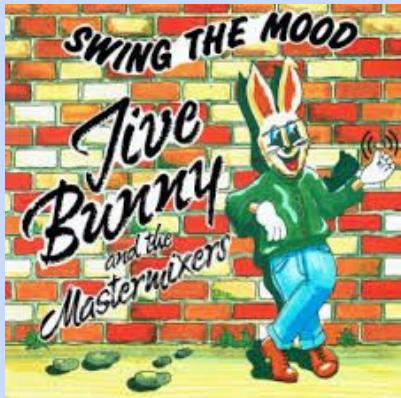
Sir David Attenborough

Book Recommendation

“Darwin's Super-Pooping Worm Spectacular” by Polly Owen tells the true, hilarious story of Charles Darwin's obsession with worms. Despite being dismissed by his peers, Darwin's quirky experiments revealed the worms' secret superpower: their super-poop! This engaging book shows how these humble creatures are vital to Earth, teaching kids about scientific discovery and the importance of sticking to your beliefs.



Composition of the Week



[Click here to listen](#)

Jive Bunny - Swing the Mood

Genre: rock n roll
Composed in 1989

Jive Bunny are British novelty pop music act Jive Bunny and the Mastermixers. Swing the mood is a compilation, cut and paste record which fused a number of early rock and roll records with liberal use of Glenn Miller's "In the Mood".

Copyright problems caused a re-recorded version to be released

Critics didn't like it but the public did! What do you think?

*Do you have a suggestion for Composition of the Week?
Let Miss Wilczek know and perhaps your composition could feature!*

Online Safety

**WHAT TO TALK ABOUT WITH
YOUR CHILDREN...**

internet
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Resolving online issues

- Tools and strategies to deal with issues they may face online such as cyberbullying or seeing inappropriate content
- Where & how to [report an issue](#) – encouraging them to speak to an adult

Weekly Attendance

Be here every day, all day!

91%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	84%
Honest	91%
Respectful	88%
Energetic	95%
Expressive	92%
Reflective	98%
Resilient	93%
Considerate	92%
Kind	96%
Capable	94%
Cooperative	96%
Caring	93%
Successful	90%

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Next week's achievers

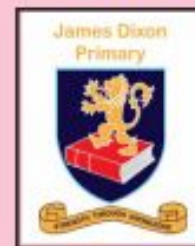
Reading

Energetic Class	Dolly
Expressive Class	Sean
Reflective Class	Ariona
Resilient Class	Lourenco
Kind Class	Asma'a
Considerate Class	Saoirse
Capable Class	Mia
Cooperative Class	Qayyum
Caring Class	Nehal
Successful Class	Lakshaniya

Dates for your diary

<p><u>Monday 30th June</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 pm</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 1st July</u></p> <p><u>Year 2 Open House</u> 1.30 pm</p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 2nd July</u></p> <p><u>Littlehampton Trip</u> Year 2</p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2 - 6 7.45 am</p> <p><u>Achievers Assembly</u> 10.15 am</p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Thursday 3rd July</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 4th July</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p>
<p><u>Monday 7th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 1 to Crystal Palace Park</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 pm</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 8th July</u></p> <p><u>Preschool trip to Crystal Palace Park</u></p> <p>Mini Athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Drama Club Performance to Parents 3.45 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Wednesday 9th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 5 to The Lion King</u></p> <p><u>Preschool trip to Crystal Palace Park</u></p> <p>Cheerleading Club Yr 2 - 6 7.45 am</p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Gymnastics Club Rec - Yr 6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Thursday 10th July</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 11th July</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p> <p><u>Picnic & Proms</u></p>
<p><u>Monday 14th July</u></p> <p>Drumming Club 12.40 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Drama Club Performance to Parents 3.45 pm</u></p> <p>Little Coders Club Yr 1-2 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 15th July</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 16th July</u></p> <p><u>Achievers Assembly 10.15 am</u></p> <p><u>Year 5 & 6 Production 5.00 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Thursday 17th July</u></p> <p>Basketball Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Friday 18th July</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p>

PTA Event



Introducing the **P I C N I C & P R O M S** Pocket Money Card

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

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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 4th

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

Thank you for supporting JDPS PTA fundraising!



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**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



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