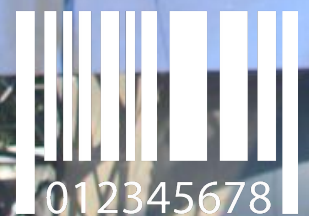


FRIDAY 3RD JULY

NEWSLETTER



“Opportunities aren't usually handed to you; they are often disguised as hard work”



012345678

This Week at James Dixon



Our annual Picnic & proms event is taking place next Friday 10th July.

The weather is looking promising so get your picnic blanket ready and prepare to be entertained by the talented children of James Dixon.

Look out for a separate letter which details pick-up arrangements.

Term Dates 2026 - 27



Term Starts

Tuesday 14th April
2026

Tuesday 1st
September 2026
**(Bank Holiday 31st
August)**

Monday 4th
January 2027

Half Term

Monday 25th May
- Friday 29th May
2026

Monday 19th October
- Friday 30th October
2026

Monday 15th
February 2027 -
Friday 19th
February 2027

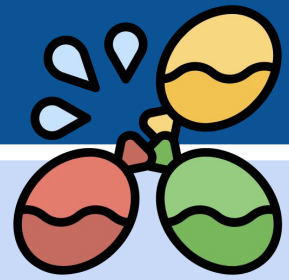
**Term
Finishes**

Tuesday 21st July
2026 @ 2pm

Friday 18th December
2026 @2pm

Thursday 25th
March 2027

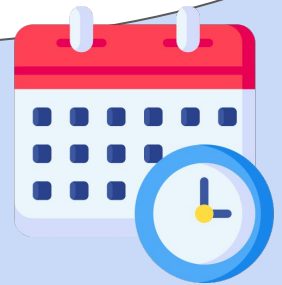
Pupil Leadership



Oi JD, How's your week been? Two Fridays ago, Year 6 went on the residential where we did lots of fun activities including high ropes. Last Friday we had a whole school water fight but some people went home at 13:00 so they didn't take part! Anyways 'tchau' that was hi and bye in Portuguese.

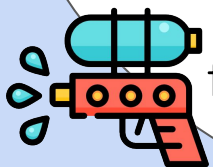


Hey everyone! Now we are nearing the end of the year, only 1 month left.. Time flies quite fast anyway byeee!



Hallo JD, wie geht es dir? Wie viele von euch sind um 13:00 Uhr nach Hause gegangen? Ich nicht. Hat dir die Wasserschlacht am Freitag gefallen? Danach hat sich die 6. Klasse den Minecraft-Film angesehen.

(Hi JD, how are you ? How many of you went home at 1:00 pm? I didn't. Did you enjoy the water fight on Friday? After that year 6 watched the minecraft movie.)



Friday 10th July 2026

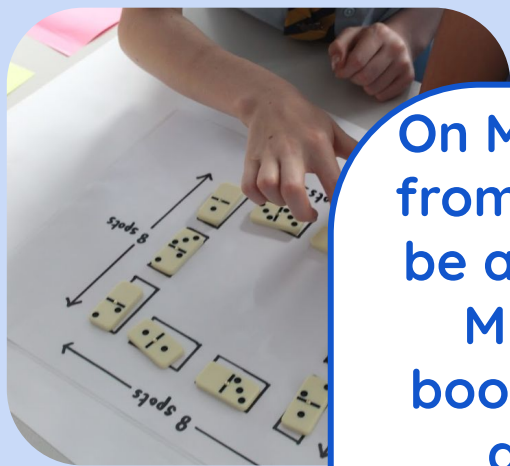
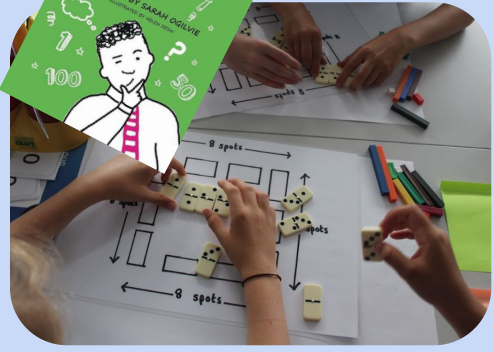
Curriculum Focus - Cooperative



Who said
Year 6 is
hard
work?

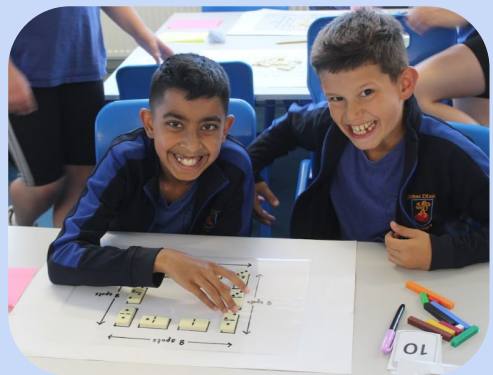
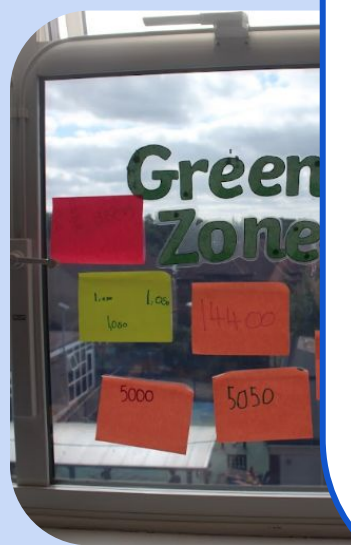


Year 6 Maths Workshop



On Monday, Year 6 had a visit from Mrs Ogilvie - she used to be a teacher at James Dixon! Mrs Ogilvie has written a book for children with maths as the center of it. The children were able to take part in some fun, engaging and challenging maths problems all based around Mrs Ogilvie's excellent book '101'. You could really see their maths brains hard at work!

Thank you Mrs Ogilvie!





Year 5 Young V&A



On Tuesday, Year 5 visited the Young V&A to explore the production of Wallace and Gromit, bringing their computing unit on stop-frame animation to life.

The children got a fascinating, behind-the-scenes look at how Aardman Animations meticulously brings static clay models to life, frame by frame.

Year 5 did a 'cracking' job of representing James Dixon!



Wallace & Gromit



Year 2 Open House



Preschool Crystal Palace Park



Preschool had great fun on their trip to Crystal Palace park. We looked at the dinosaurs as part of our history learning we have been doing. We also enjoyed the new playpark. Overall we have a ROAR-some time!



Year 2 Littlehampton

Year 2 had a whale of a time at Littlehampton on Wednesday! The excitement was high right from the start as the children waved goodbye to parents and carers and embarked on their big day out at the seaside.



Fun was had by both children and adults alike as we spent the day building sandcastles, collecting shells, and bravely paddling in the choppy sea. Luckily the children were given a safety tale by the lifeguards. Even the persistent seagulls couldn't ruin our fun, despite trying their hardest to help themselves to a bit of lunch!



The children were an absolute credit to the school throughout the day, and some wonderful core memories were made. A huge thank you to all of our brilliant parent helpers for your support and to the PTA for helping support us with the cost of this amazing day.



Steel Orchestra Concert



The Steel pan Orchestra performed at the Crystal Palace Community Concert on Thursday Evening. They gave an amazing performance and we are so proud of them! Thank you to all the families that came to support them.



Sustainability

Did you know today (3rd July) is International Plastic Bag Free Day?

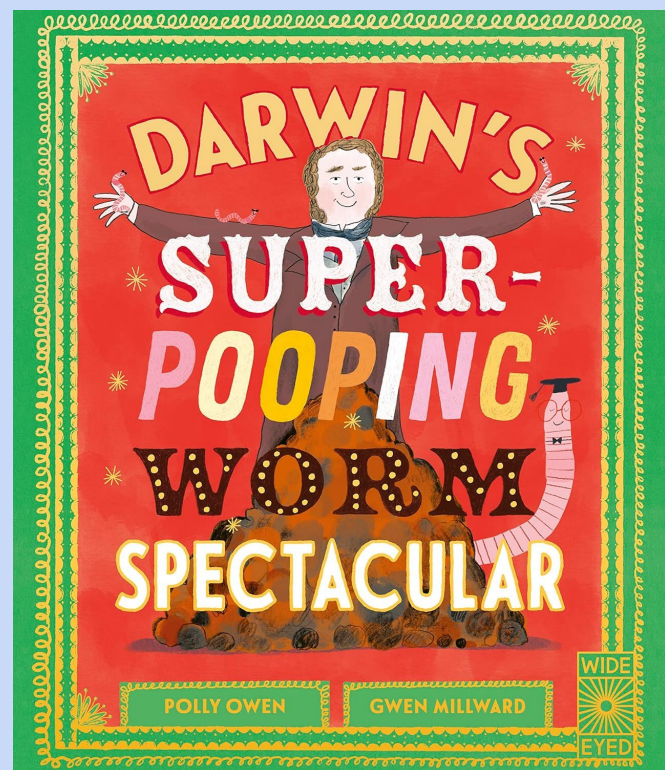
On average, a plastic carrier bag is used for just 25 minutes, but it can take up to 500 years to break down!

This week, celebrate by challenging your family to completely refuse single-use plastic bags. Keep a lightweight cloth bag or an old backpack by the front door so you never leave home without one.



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



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here to
listen](#)

Sukiyaki (Ue o Muite Arukou) - Kyu Sakamoto

Composed: 2006

Genre: *Pop*

Ue o Muite Arukou 上を向いて歩こう means "I Look Up as I Walk"

The track was renamed "Sukiyaki" simply because the word was short, memorable, and recognizably Japanese

The song achieved historic global status when it topped the US chart for three consecutive weeks in June 1963. It remains the only Japanese-language single ever to reach number one on that chart and has sold over 13 million copies worldwide

Online Safety

Emoji Meanings

Did you know that some children and young people may be using emojis to mean something completely different?

For example, a cap emoji may be used to represent a lie. It is important that you are aware of how emojis can be used and keep up to date with the way in which they can be used as their meanings are changeable.



Weekly Attendance

95%

Be here every day, all day!

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	94%
Adventurous	97%
Confident	94%
Honest	98%
Respectful	92%
Energetic	97%
Expressive	97%
Reflective	96%
Resilient	92%
Considerate	97%
Kind	96%
Capable	96%
Cooperative	95%

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Dates for your diary

<p><u>Monday 6th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 4 to Maritime Museum</u></p> <p><u>Drumming Club Performance to Parents 9.00 am</u></p> <p>Little Coders Yr 1-2 3.00 pm</p> <p>Mini athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Nature Makers Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Football Club 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 7th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 3 to Velodrome</u></p> <p><u>Year 5 Victorian Day</u></p> <p>Junior athletics Yr 2-3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 8th July</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 9th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 6 Trip to Chessington</u></p> <p>Creative Writing Club Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm</p> <p>Steel Pan Club Yr 3-4 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Steel Pan Club Performance to Parents 3.50 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Friday 10th July</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p> <p><u>Picnic & Proms 3.00-5.50 pm</u></p>
<p><u>Monday 13th July</u></p> <p>Little Coders Yr 1-2 3.00 pm</p> <p>Mini athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Nature Makers Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Football Club 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 14th July</u></p> <p>Junior athletics Yr 2-3 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Yr 4-6 3.00 pm</p> <p>Drama Club Performance to Parents 3.45 pm</p>	<p><u>Wed. 15th July</u></p> <p><u>Year 1 to Horniman Museum</u></p> <p>Code Camp Yr 3-6 3.00 pm</p> <p><u>Year 5 & 6 Production 5.00 pm</u></p>	<p><u>Thursday 16th July</u></p> <p><u>Achievers Assembly 10.15 am (selected parents)</u></p> <p>Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Friday 17th July</u></p> <p>Dance Club Rec-Yr 6 7.50 am</p> <p>Dance Club Performance to Parents 8.15 am</p> <p><u>Preschool Graduation 10.45 am</u></p> <p><u>Preschool graduation 2.15 am</u></p>
<p><u>Monday 20th July</u></p> <p>Nature Makers Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm</p>	<p><u>Tuesday 21st July</u></p> <p><u>Year 6 Gala 1.00 pm</u></p> <p><u>LAST SCHOOL DAY</u></p> <p><u>2.00 PM FINISH</u></p>	<p><u>Wed. 22nd July</u></p> <p>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</p>	<p><u>Thursday 23rd July</u></p> <p>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</p>	<p><u>Friday 24th July</u></p> <p>SUMMER HOLIDAYS</p>

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Summer of Play

Crystal Palace Park

> July

Booking from 25 June

Saturday 18 July

Little Folk singing sessions

Under 5s | Concert Platform

Ticketed

Sessions from 9:30 - 11:15

African drumming sessions

Ages 5 - 18 | Concert Platform

Ticketed | Drop-in

Sessions from 12:00 - 14:30

Saturday 25 July

Archery taster sessions

Ages 8-18 | Secret Garden

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:30 - 14:30

Intro to skateboarding

Ages 6 - 18 | Skatepark

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:00 - 14:15

Old school sports day

Ages 6+ | Old Cricket Pitch

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:00 - 14:00

Laser tag

Ages 6-12 | Old Cricket Pitch

Ticketed

Sessions from 13:00 - 16:30

Wednesday 29 July

Archery taster sessions

Ages 8-18 | Secret Garden

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:30 - 14:30

Football training sessions

Ages 5-12 | Old Cricket Pitch

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:00 - 16:00

Intro to skateboarding

Ages 6 - 18 | Skatepark

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:00 - 14:15

Laser tag

Ages 6-12 | Old Cricket Pitch

Ticketed

Sessions from 13:00 - 16:30



> August

Booking from 16 July at 10:00

Saturday 1 August

Birthplace of DinoMania

Ages 10+ | Hylaeosaurus Head

Ticketed

Sessions from 9:30 - 12:00

Dinosaur badgemaking

All ages | Old Cricket Pitch

Drop in

Open from 10:00 - 12:30

Meet the dinosaurs!

All ages | Old Cricket Pitch

Drop-in

Sessions from 10:00 - 14:00

Saturday 8 August

Park crafts

Ages 5-12 | Visitor Centre

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:30 - 14:30

Park play dance

Ages 3-6 | Old Playground

Ticketed

Sessions from 14:00 - 16:00

Create your own Hip Hop album cover

Ages 5-18 | Visitor Centre

Drop-in | Ticketed

Sessions from 11:00 - 13:30

Saturday 22 August

Secret Garden open day

All ages | Secret Garden

Drop-in

Open from 10:00 - 12:00

Bumblebee Safari

Ages 6-12 | Secret Garden

Ticketed | Drop-in

Sessions from 13:00 - 15:00

Saturday 29 August

Cyanotype workshop

Ages 4+ | Concert Bowl

Ticketed

Sessions from 10:00 - 11:45

Mad science

Ages 5+ | Concert Platform

Ticketed

Sessions from 12:00 - 16:00

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PARK
TRUST**



Information & free tickets:

www.crystalpalaceparktrust.org



PICNIC & PROMS

Get your Jolly Jars IN ASAP!

Our Summer Picnic & Proms is just around the corner, and we need your amazing, fun-filled Jolly Jars to make it extra special!



Drop off point: School Reception



When: LAST DAY TUESDAY, 7 July!

Thank you for supporting JDPS PTA fundraising!

PICNIC & PROMS

NEXT FRIDAY!

Join us for music and fun!

Friday 10 July

3pm - 5pm

*Don't forget
to grab your raffle tickets!*

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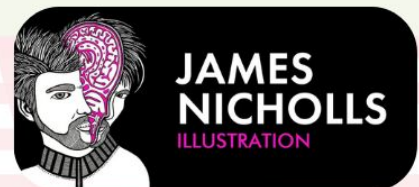


Housemartins
Montessori Baby classes

EVERYMAN



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AND MORE...

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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GROWTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

Respecting Our Neighbours



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Respect our neighbours

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