

Friday 11th September

NEWSLETTER



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We're back in business!

This Week at James Dixon



This term our assembly theme is 'Be the one who makes everyone feel included'. In the run up to Diversity Week we will be thinking about inclusion, celebrating differences and showing respect.

If your child comes home with one of our special stickers it means we've see them making other children feel included - celebrate them with us!

Term Dates 2025

	 HELLO AUTUMN	 HELLO SPRING	 HELLO SUMMER
Term Starts	Tuesday 1st September	Monday 4th January	Tuesday 13th April
Half Term	Monday 19th October to Friday 30th October	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February	Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June
Term Finishes	Friday 18th December at 2:00pm	Thursday 25th March at 2:00pm	Thursday 22nd July

Pupil Leadership

Writing Team

Year 6
Charleny
Kiara
Kevin
Caleb
Marni



Year 5
Amber G
Blake
Nikolay
Marley
Reign

We have some
new Year 5
Pupil Leaders.
Welcome to the
teams!

Arts Team

Year 6
Dylan
Chelsea
Sofia W
Zahara
Livia
Miyah



Year 5
Milena
Ayda
Bella
Nora

Maths Team

Year 6
Marinisha
Demi
Sofia G



Year 5
Ibrahim A
Amber T
Drue
Dominik

Reading Team

Year 6
Saoirse
Orion
Yunus



Year 5
Millie
Louange
Jude
Nico

Sports Team

Year 6
Jevontae
Dominic
Vasilis
Isaiah
Laura
Louie
Siena
Jerome
Jayson



Year 5
Princess
Savannah
Paris
Kiah
Elijah
Sosie
Zayne
Huroon

Digital Team

Year 6
Monroe
Ted
Chira
Isaac
Oscar P



Year 5
Jamie
Ezra
Abdul-Majeed
Conrad
Ibrahim D

Science Team

Year 6
Oscar S
Kira
Alex
Indi
Monae



Year 5
Hazal
Lara
Lourenco

Curriculum Focus - History



Yr2 Roman Day



As part of our History curriculum, children participate in interactive 'WOW Days' to ignite their learning. Dressing up and stepping into the shoes of historical figures allows pupils to experience life in the past through immersive activities and workshops.



Yr5 Victorian Day



Kings
and
Queens
Yr1



These memorable days bring our topics to life and deepen the children's understanding of key historical eras.



Bikeability!

The new school year got off to a wheely great start for these Year 6 pupils who donned their cycle helmets and completed a two day bikeability course.

The course gives them the skills and confidence to ride their bikes safely on the roads. As well as some basic bike maintenance knowledge.

Well done cyclists - we're so proud of you.





Exciting Writing!



It's only our first full week back, so our usual showcase of brilliant writing from around the school will return very soon. This week, however, the writers are **YOU!**



★ The Great September Writing Challenge ★

When you arrived at school this morning, there was a mysterious box sitting outside the classroom door...

What was inside? Who had left it there? Was it something wonderful... or something you **really** wished you hadn't opened?



Can you impress me and include:

- ★ A detail that helps your reader picture the scene
- ★ A powerful verb
- ★ Something that can be heard
- ★ A sentence that builds suspense
- ★ One word you're particularly proud of

EYFS/KS1

Draw what's inside the box and write a brilliant sentence to describe it.

KS2

Write 100 words or fewer beginning with the moment the box is discovered.



Could your writing appear here next week?



Bring your writing to me or share it with your teacher. I'll be looking out for some fantastic examples to feature in a future edition of Exciting Writing!

Sustainability

Did you know that September is peak harvest time in the UK, but thousands of tonnes of perfectly good autumn fruit and veg gets thrown away every year?

When we throw away food, we also waste all the water, energy, and soil that helped it grow. This week, try taking a quick family fridge inventory before going shopping, or make a soup using up those slightly soft carrots and apples.



Book Recommendation

Pedro Martín's *Mexikid* is a hilarious, heartwarming graphic memoir about family, culture and growing up. Pedro, one of nine siblings, embarks on an unforgettable 1970s road trip from California to Mexico to bring back his legendary Abuelito. Packed with laugh-out-loud humor, dynamic art, and nostalgic detail, this chaotic journey balances wild family antics with genuine heart. Outrageously funny and deeply moving, this award-winning graphic novel is an irresistible read for all ages.



Composition of the Week



[Click here to listen](#)

Coldplay ft BTS - My Universe

Genre: synth pop

Composed in: 2021

This song is sung in both English and Korean. It explores overcoming boundaries, choosing love despite differences, and unity across worlds. The song mixes many styles from dance to pop with an electronic vibe.

Online Safety



There are different options available to access YouTube, depending on your child's age:

YouTube Kids

A separate app that includes a smaller selection of videos based on the age category you select: Preschool (ages 4 and under), Younger (ages 5–8) or Older (ages 9–12).

Weekly Attendance

Every School Day Matters

97%

Class	Attendance %
Curious	97%
Innovative	98%
Imaginative	99%
Adventurous	95%
Confident	99%
Honest	99%
Respectful	98%
Energetic	97%
Expressive	100%
Reflective	96%
Resilient	95%
Considerate	99%
Kind	99%

Next week's Achievers

Reading

Adventurous	Amelie
Confident	Nikolaos
Honest	Ravi
Respectful	Zora
Energetic	Reign
Expressive	Dominic
Resilient	Zayne
Reflective	Amber
Considerate	Kira
Kind	Sofia
Colourful Class Star of the Week	Chloe & Briella

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Primary



Dates for Your Diary

Monday 14th Sept

Nature Makers
Club 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 1-3 3.00 pm

Football Club
all years 3.00 pm

Mini Athletics
Rec-Year 2
3.00 pm

Tuesday 15th Sept.

Year 3 trip to Crystal
Palace Place Park

Athletics Club
Year 3-4 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 4-6 3.00 pm

Wednesday 16th Sept

Cheerleading Club
Year 2-6 3.00 pm

Gymnastics Club
all years 3.00 pm

Robotic Club
Year 1-6 3.00 pm

Thursday 17th Sept.

Creative Writing
Club Year 3-6
3.00 pm

Taekwondo club
all years 3.00 pm

Steel Pans Club
Year 3-4

Friday 18th Sept.

Achievement
Assembly 10.10 am
(invited parents
only)

Dance Club
all years 7.50 am

Monday 21st Sept.

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Nature Makers
Club 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 1-3 3.00 pm

Football Club
all years 3.00 pm

Mini Athletics
Rec-Year 2
3.00 pm

Tuesday 22nd Sept.

Year 5 trip to
Horniman Museum

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Athletics Club
Year 3-4 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 4-6 3.00 pm

Wednesday 23rd Sept

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Cheerleading Club
Year 2-6 3.00 pm

Gymnastics Club
all years 3.00 pm

Robotic Club
Year 1-6 3.00 pm

Thursday 24th Sept

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Achievement
Assembly 10.10 am
(invited parents
only)

Creative Writing
Club Year 3-6
3.00 pm

Taekwondo club
all years 3.00 pm

Steel Pans Club
Year 3-4

Friday 25th Sept.

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Dance Club
all years 7.50 am

Monday 28th Sept

Year 2 trip to Betts
Park

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Nature Makers
Club 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 1-3 3.00 pm

Football Club
all years 3.00 pm

Mini Athletics
Rec-Year 2
3.00 pm

Tuesday 29th Sept

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Athletics Club
Year 3-4 3.00 pm

Drama Club
Year 4-6 3.00 pm

Wednesday 30th Sept

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Cheerleading Club
Year 2-6 3.00 pm

Gymnastics Club
all years 3.00 pm

Robotic Club
Year 1-6 3.00 pm

Thursday 1st Oct.

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Achievement
Assembly 10.10 am
(invited parents
only)

Creative Writing
Club Year 3-6
3.00 pm

Taekwondo club
all years 3.00 pm

Steel Pans Club
Year 3-4

Friday 2nd Oct.

Year 1 trip to Betts
Park

Year 4 Energetic
Class Swimming

Dance Club
all years 7.50 am

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.

James Dixon
Primary



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**

