

Newsletter

Friday 7th October 2022



James Dixon
Primary



STRENGTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

Pupil Principals

Hi everyone, I hope you have had a good week so far. My week has been really fun! First of all, we told Mrs Aldred our features and then she created our emojis. I can't wait to see them! I also did steel pans on Tuesday which was really fun! Talking about steel pans, we are doing a steel pan assembly on Monday. I am so excited that I get to perform on stage in front of my peers. I took part in PE on Thursday which I enjoyed a lot. My partner was Ivy and we were practising shooting, even though we didn't shoot any hoops we were very close. On Thursday, we also showed some parents around our school, it was so fun to answer all their questions! Sadly, this week is our last week to do our clubs and I am in the cooking club. I cannot wait to bake mini apple pies. I am also equally excited to eat them! I hope you enjoyed this paragraph of my week! Have a nice weekend JD!

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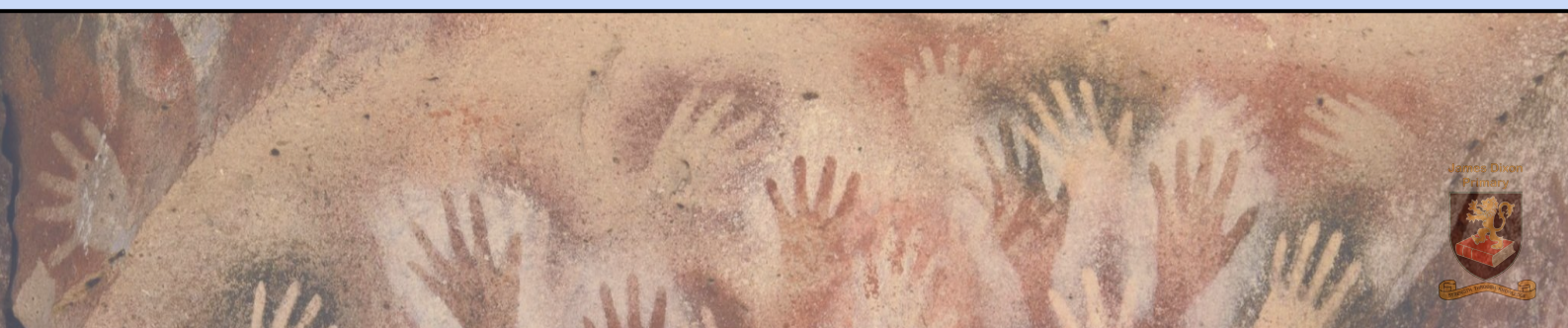
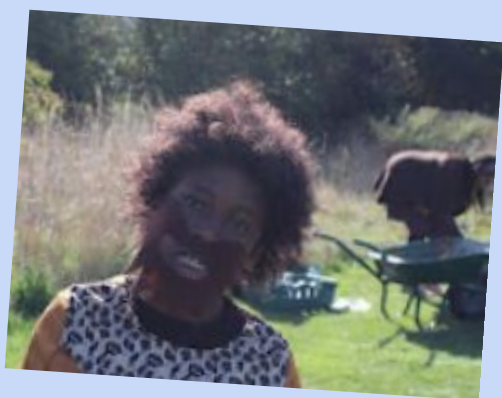


Hi Everyone, I'm back! This week was a very busy and stressful week as we had to do our mock tests. On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday we did maths tests. On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday we did a reading, spelling and grammar test. I was so glad that I was able to complete all the tests. This week, I took on one of my first responsibilities as Pupil Principal as I got to meet some Parents who want to bring their children to Reception. I was with Mr Entwistle and we showed them around the school. I really enjoyed this week as I got to do a lot of new things.

Shekinah

Year 3 Stone Age Day

On Thursday, Year 3 enjoyed a taste of life in the Stone Age. We made our own beads out of clay, which we then made into necklaces and bracelets to take home. We fired bow and arrows made of willow, made shelters from wood and painted with berries, beetroot and charcoal. In the afternoon, we cooked mackerel over the fire and tasted it. It was delicious! A great day was had by all!



Monday sees the start of Diversity Week at James Dixon.



Monday - Diversity Week Launch & Steel Orchestra Assembly

The assembly kicks off the celebration of diversity at James Dixon with a look at the rich cultural heritage of our school and the community it serves. In addition, we will hear a selection of songs from our current Y6 Orchestra as well as a special appearance from last year's orchestra.



Thursday - Cultural Dress Day

Children and staff are encouraged to wear clothing from any culture of their choice. In addition, colours can be worn to represent any flag of the world.



Wednesday - Share a Story

Children will hear the same story read in a variety of different languages by parents who have volunteered.

Friday - Harvest Festival Assembly



On Friday morning Mrs Hawthorne will be returning to JD to give a special Harvest Festival assembly. The children will see all the donations that have been made and will learn about the people these gifts will help.

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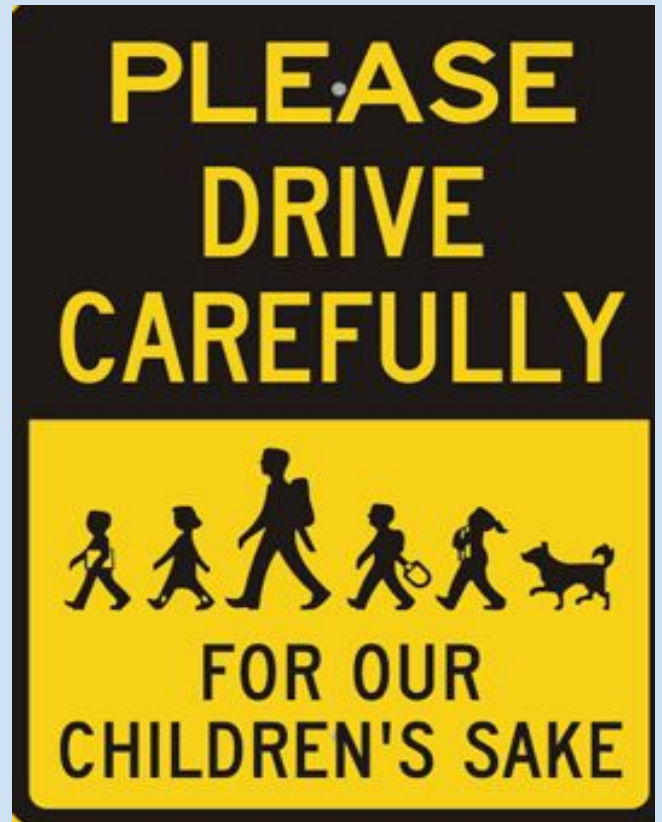


We are starting to collect donations for our Harvest Festival from Monday of next week. Please send your food donations in with your child to be kept in their classroom until assembly time on Friday. All food is given to local food banks and churches and will make a big difference to local people's lives in and around our local area. We sincerely hope you will be as kind as in previous years and make the JD Harvest Festival one we can all be proud of.



Road Safety

There have been several incidents of dangerous driving recently especially on the bend outside the school. Please ensure you are driving slowly and carefully when picking up and dropping off children. Please do not mount kerbs to park as it is dangerous for our children who are walking to and from school. Please drive as if every child on the street were your own.



Term Dates 2022-2023

	AUTUMN 2022	SPRING 2023	SUMMER 2023
Term Starts	Thursday 1st September	Wednesday 4th January	Monday 17th April
Half Term	Monday 17th October - Friday 28th October	Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June
Term Finishes	Wednesday 21st December, 2pm	Friday 31st March, 2pm	Wednesday 19th July, 2pm



Wellbeing Webinars

For Young People

Managing Anxiety

Weds 7th Sept
Weds 5th Oct
Weds 2nd Nov
Weds 7th Dec

Anxious Thoughts & Worries

Tues 11th Aug
Thurs 15th Sept
Tues 11th Oct
Thurs 10th Nov
Tues 13th Dec

Tackling Low Mood & Depression

Thurs 22nd Sept
Tues 25th Oct
Thurs 24th Nov



Developing Healthy Study Habits

Tues 27th Sept
Weds 26th Oct
Thurs 1st Dec

All young people webinars run at 4.30pm for 1 hour

For Parents & Carers

Emotionally Based School Avoidance

Weds 28th Sept @ 10.30 - 12
Thurs 10th Nov @ 1 - 2.30

Helping Your Child With Anxiety (Primary)

Thurs 8th Sept @ 1 - 2.30
Sat 8th Oct @ 10.30 - 12
Tues 8th Nov @ 10.30 - 12
Fri 9th Dec @ 2 - 2.30

Helping Your Child With Anxiety (Secondary)

Tues 20th Sept @ 1 - 2.30
Thurs 27th Oct @ 10.30 - 12
Sat 26th Nov @ 10.30 - 12

Changing From Primary to Secondary

Weds 7th Sept @ 10.30 - 12

To help participants feel comfortable, we ask cameras and mics to be turned off throughout, with optional interaction via the chat function.

Book your place on the [Bromley Y Eventbrite Page](#).



SCAN ME

James Dixon PTA



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Please join us for our first PTA Pre-Loved Uniform event.

- ★ Do you have uniform your child has outgrown?
- ★ Do you want to help reduce landfill waste and recycle?
- ★ Can you help uniform find a new home?

Rather than buying new, come along to this event, all clothing is free. We would like to reuse uniform, save some pennies and meet other parents/carers.

Friday 4th November 2022, 3:10pm

Please bring all uniform you wish to donate to the school office.



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Weekly Attendance

96%

*Be here every day,
all day!*

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	92%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	96%
Year 3	97%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	97%
Year 6	98%

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Primary



Next week's achievers

Home learning

Kind Class	Areeb
Considerate Class	Monae
Capable Class	Geri
Cooperative Class	Bethany
Caring Class	Ben
Successful class	Charlie
Adventurous Class	Julia
Confident class	Yani
Honest class	Archie-Lee
Respectful class	Kayla

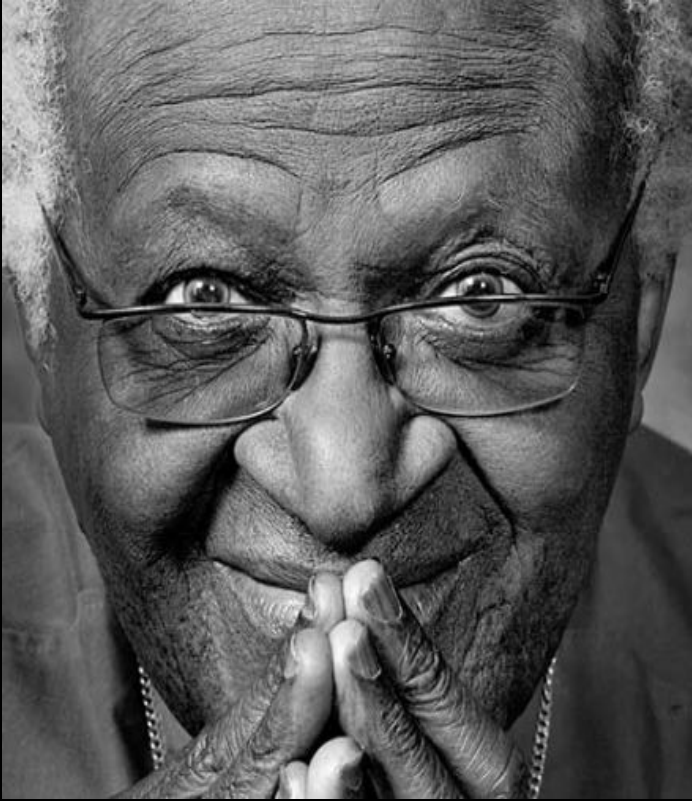
Dates for your diary



October

Monday 10th October	World Mental Health Day Diversity Week Year 5 - Greek Day 3:00 Football club 3:00 Drama Club Years 1-3 Online parents evenings
Tuesday 11th October	Diversity Week 3:00 Drama Club Years 4-6 3:00 Taekwondo Club
Wednesday 12th October	Diversity Week Individual photo day 7:30 Gym club Achievers assembly 10:10am 3:00 Gym club Online parents evenings
Thursday 13th October	Diversity week Cultural Dress Day 3:00 Taekwondo Club Online parents evenings
Friday 14th October	Diversity Week Year 2 Space Day Year 6 Ancient Egypt Day 7:50 Dance Club 10:00 Harvest Festival Assembly Last Day of Half Term

Desmond Tutu



Today marks what would have been the birthday of The Most Reverend Desmond Tutu, the South African Anglican bishop known for his work as an anti-apartheid and human rights activist. He was the Bishop of Johannesburg from 1985 to 1986 and the Archbishop of Cape Town from 1986 to 1996. In both cases he was the first black African to hold the positions.

Bishop Tutu was born to a poor family in Klerksdorp, South Africa on the 7th October 1931. In 1962 he moved to England to study theology at King's College London and was already an Anglican priest. Tutu popularised the term "Rainbow Nation" as a metaphor for post-apartheid South Africa. He died from cancer in Cape Town on 26th December 2021 aged 90.

