

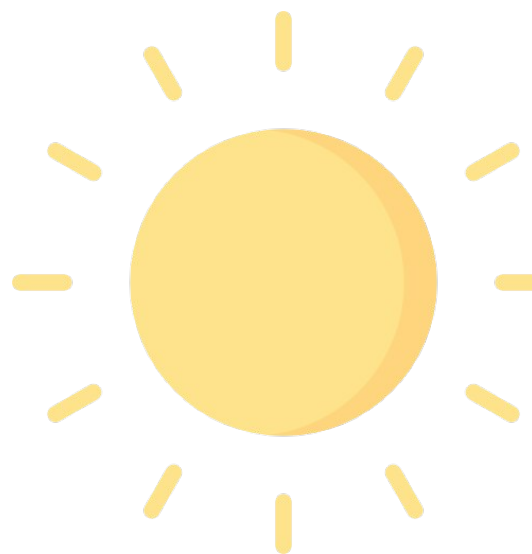
Newsletter

Friday 31st March 2023



Pupil Principals

Hi! This week was a very normal week as Year 6 had to work as twice as hard as normal because we had a lot to learn in maths and we had a short story to write in English. On Monday, we had science where we learnt about exothermic reactions and we looked at different liquids and the effect they had on steel wool. Tuesday, we did geography and we planned a map from James Dixon Primary School to Sydenham Station, we are soon going to use this map outside. On Wednesday, we did art with Mr Coxley. We got to make our own graffiti wall with the previous skills we had learnt in the past art lessons. Thursday, in the afternoon, we had a visitor come and talk to us about road safety as at the end of the school year as Year 6 will be getting ready for secondary school. Also, we finished our graffiti art work after the visitor left. On Friday, it was a normal Friday but at lunchtime I did DND in Mr Brooks group with some of my classmates. On Friday, we are all leaving school at 2pm so I hope you all have a good Easter break! Bye!!



Hi JD! This week was a pretty cool week as it was the last week before the Easter holiday! On Monday, we did a really enjoyable art lesson where we made our own graffiti wall with our names on it! On Tuesday, me and the Steel Panners got watched by some teachers that came to the school! I thought it was really great to see them enjoying the songs we were playing! On Wednesday, I did a really cool science lesson where we put steel wool in a cup and put vinegar in as well and saw the heat rise; that's called an exothermic reaction! On Thursday, we had to write up our short stories and Eco Team are doing an assembly. On Friday, we are going to do fun things because it's the last day and we leave at 2pm! Bye JD



Year 3 & 4 Production

This term, Year 3 & 4 have been working extremely hard on their production; "What's the Crime, Mr Wolf?."



It's been a tough but fantastic experience for both year groups as they have rehearsed and rehearsed to their absolute limit!



We're so proud of both Year 3 & 4! We hope that you are as well after watching their amazing performance!



Natural History Museum

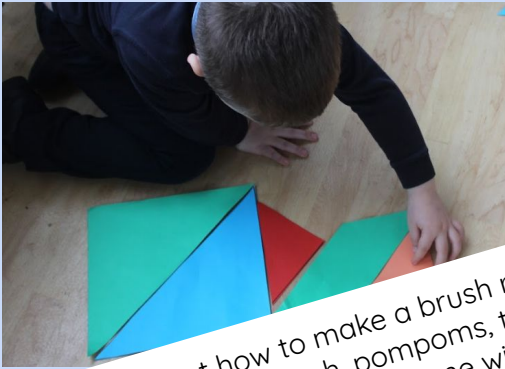


Last Friday, Year 2 travelled by Overground and the tube to the Natural History Museum. All the children attended a workshop where they got to travel back in time and see what animals used to roam the planet. They learnt how they could identify if an animal was a dinosaur and even had the stinky task of identifying if the dinosaur was a herbivore or carnivore through its poo!!

The children were delighted to be able to see the real Ichthyosaurus fossil that was discovered by Mary Anning hundreds of years ago in Lyme Regis, Dorset. A terrific time was had by all.



Curriculum focus - STEM



"I learnt how to make a brush robot. I used a nail brush, pompoms, tape, a motor, batteries and some wire. The wires had to touch the battery but not each other and then the motor vibrated."
Saoirse



"I really enjoyed the STEM quiz because we got to answer hard questions about things we didn't know we'd get asked about."
Fatima



"In STEM week, I enjoyed making pen robots. It was really fun and one group used it to draw a perfect circle."
Loubna

Last week at James Dixon, we had STEM week. STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. This years theme was **Robots**.

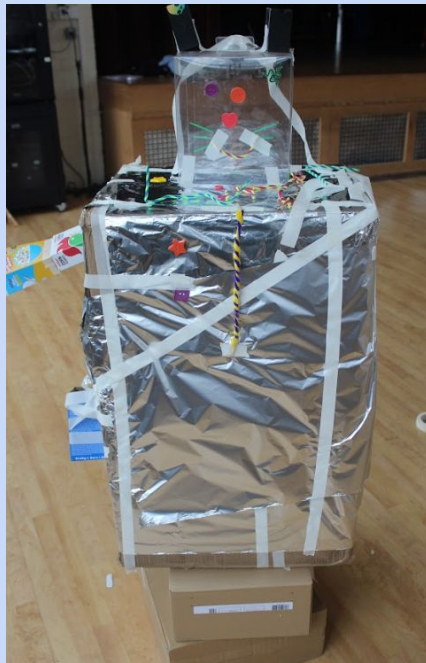
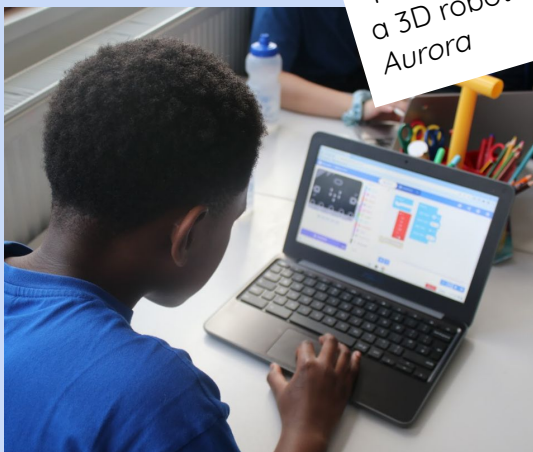
Here are some of the fun activities the children took part in.



"I really liked being in the Hall for the workshop. I liked the robot races because it was fun to race the other team."
Emily



"I liked using the Chromebooks to build a 3D robot."
Aurora



Pre-Loved Uniform

The James Dixon PTA will be giving away some pre-loved uniform after school on **Friday 31st March** from 2pm. If you have any pre-loved uniform to donate please deliver it to the school office before Friday.



Term Dates 2022-2023

	SPRING 2023	SUMMER 2023	AUTUMN 2023
Term Starts	Wednesday 4th January	Monday 17th April	Thursday 31st August
Half Term	Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June	Monday 16th October - Friday 27th October
Term Finishes	Friday 31st March, 2pm	Wednesday 19th July, 2pm	Tuesday 19th December

Holiday Activities



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**Holiday
Activities and
Food Programme**



www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme

Easter Programme

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of benefit-related free school meals or in Bromley as a refugee. Take part in sport, music, drama, art, cooking and much more during the 2023 spring holiday. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!



To find out which activities are near you and to sign up please follow our website link:
[Holiday activities and food programme | Holiday activities and food programme | London Borough of Bromley](#)



Or contact:
HolidayActivitiesandFood@bromley.gov.uk

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James Dixon PTA



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

What is a Jolly Jar?

Jolly Jars are medium and large jam jars, with lids, filled with fun treats for children.

These might include wrapped sweets (no nuts), unused small toys, stickers, hair clips, stationery, keyrings 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.

Contents do not need to be new, but must be unused, there are lots of great items in the £1 shops of Crystal Palace and Penge.

YOUR P.T.A

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Make a difference
Get involved. All welcome.



Find out more & join the conversations on James Dixon Parent Forum



[PTA Forum Facebook group](#)

Weekly Attendance

93%

*Be here every day,
all day!*

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	89%
Year 1	92%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	94%
Year 4	94%
Year 5	99%
Year 6	93%

James Dixon
Primary



Dates for your diary

Monday 17th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Drama Club Y1-3 3.00 pm● Phonics Club 3.00 pm (named children only)
Tuesday 18th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Y2 Kind Penge Library visit● Drama Club Y4-6 3.00 pm
Wednesday 19th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Gymnastics Club 7.30 am● Phonics Club 3.00 pm (named children only)● Gymnastics Club 3.00 pm
Thursday 20th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Y2 Considerate Penge Library● Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm
Friday 21st April	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dance Club 7.50 am