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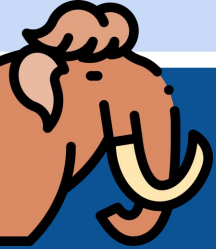
Friday 29th September 2023



James Dixon
Primary



STRENGTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE



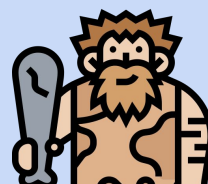
Year 3 Stone Age Day



On Thursday, Year 3 ventured into the Stone Age. The children split into groups to participate in fabulous Stone Age activities including creating shortbread Stone Henge, clay cave painting on the field and daring den building.



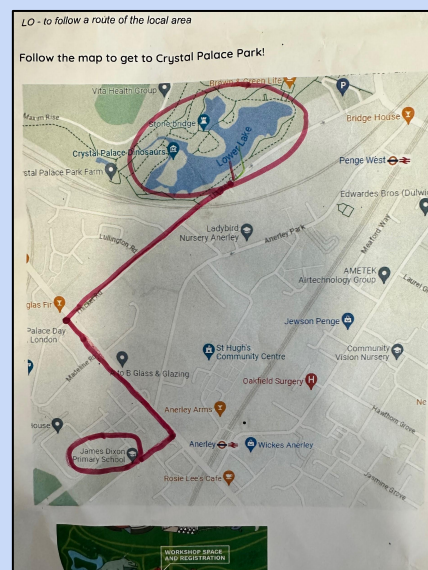
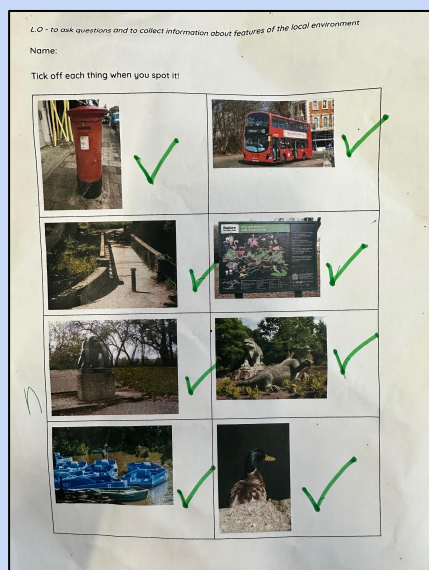
To end a fantastic day, the cave children were invited to Forest School where they cooked and tasted mackerel on an open fire.



Year 2 in Crystal Palace Park



On Tuesday and Thursday this week Year 2 went to Crystal Palace Park as part of their Geography work. In a previous lesson they highlighted the most effective route to get to the park, referring to it on the journey there. In pairs they completed a bingo sheet with pictures of the local area and all managed to tick everything off. They finished their work so efficiently that they even had time to have a little play in the play park before returning to school. Everyone really enjoyed their first trip in year 2!



Reception to Betts Park

On Thursday Reception went on their first trip to Betts Park. The children looked for conkers, acorns and different coloured leaves as we have been learning about Autumn. The children enjoyed this trip and were very excited when they spotted a squirrel! Thank you so much to the adults who helped on this trip.



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Harvest Festival



**THANK
YOU**

Year 5 Ancient Greece Day



On Friday, Year 5 travelled back in time to 500 BCE and the world of Ancient Greece.

They started the day by designing their own Ancient Greek monsters before taking part in their favourite activity - eating! All the children were able to sample a range of Greek foods, giving them ratings out of 10.

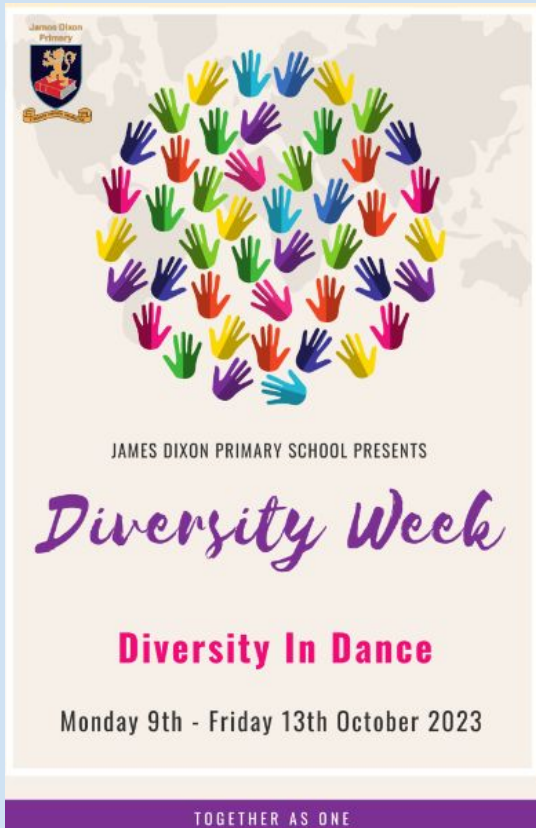


In the afternoon, took part in the JD Ancient Olympics.

Events included the javelin throw, the standing jump, the sprint and, of course, the famous Marathon (slightly reduced!).



Diversity Week



Monday
Steel Pan Assembly

Tuesday:
Share-A-Story

Wednesday:
RE Day

Thursday:
Cultural Dress Day

Friday:
Dance Celebration

Term Dates 2023-2024

	AUTUMN 2023	SPRING 2024	SUMMER 2024
Term Starts	Thursday 31st August	Wednesday 3rd January	Tuesday 16th April
Half Term	Monday 16th October - Friday 27th October	Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February	Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May
Term Finishes	Tuesday 19th December @ 2pm	Friday 29th March @ 2pm	Tuesday 23rd July @ 2pm



James Dixon PTA



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

HOW DID THE PTA HELP JAMES DIXON IN 2022/2023?



TWO NEW DIGITAL FULL-SIZE PIANOS = All children positivity affected by learning with music.

A YEARS' SUBSCRIPTION TO LANGUAGE LINK = Every child benefits from this speech, language, and communication needs tool.



EDUCATIONAL FUN WORKSHOPS: Worry Wizards and Mary Seacole = nearly 200 children had their learning enriched.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS HOODIES, YEAR 1 SELF PORTRAIT
TEATOWELS part funded = 119 children have a permanent reminder of their time at James Dixon.



2023/ 2024 our target is to reach more children, on more occasions – **we need your support** with our fundraising events.






We aim to host children's **MOVIE NIGHT** after school and a Parents/Carers **QUIZ NIGHT**, before Christmas, please support us by buying tickets or volunteering.



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DATES FOR THE DIARY


EVENT		DATE
DOUGHNUT STALL The popular ring doughnuts are back! All doughnuts cost £1. Card or cash	 <small>This Event by Linda Owen Available in November 2023</small>	Friday 6 October 2023, 3:15pm
PRELOVED UNIFORM EVENT Drop off uniform donations to the School office. All items are free or donate £1 to the PTA.		Friday 13 October 2023, 3:15pm
"HOW TO BE SAVVY ONLINE" EVENT This will be hybrid, either in person with tea/coffee & biscuits or online. Free event, children welcome. We will combine with the PTA AGM voting.		Friday 17 November 2023
 KIDS MOVIE NIGHT – After school		TBC before Christmas.
 QUIZ NIGHT – Parents & Carers		TBC before Christmas.

HOW TO SUPPORT THE PTA

▶ To give your time, expertise or ask a question please email: JamesDixonPTA@Gmail.com

▶ To support our children, please donate: <https://localgiving.org/charity/JamesDixonPTA/>

▶ EasyFundraising - www.easyfundraising.org.uk

 This is a brilliant, free way for the PTA to gain donations through your online shopping, ordering food delivery, getting taxis etc. Sign up (very simple: <http://efraising.org/Tv3rXV77Un>) and then via the free app on your phone or donation reminder on your PC/Mac, those companies pay a % of your spend to the PTA. EasyFundraising holds none of your payment details, just email and name, as they redirect you to the site you want e.g. Just East, Boots, Sainsbury's John Lewis, Not on the High Street, or Uber, and you continue from there.

Weekly Attendance

95%

*Be here every day,
all day!*

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

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Next week's achievers

P.E.

Reflective Class	Bella
Resilient Class	Aaron
Kind Class	Jevontae
Considerate Class	Livia
Capable Class	Kyiaz
Cooperative Class	Ameera
Caring Class	Ariana
Successful Class	Sophie
Adventurous Class	Lois
Confident Class	Benjamin

Dates for your diary

Monday 9th Oct.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Code Camp YR1-2 3.00 pm● Football Club 3.00 pm● Drama Club YR 1-3 3.00 pm <p><u>Parents Evening</u></p>
Tuesday 10th Oct.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mini Athletics R-YR1 3.00 pm● Drama Club YR4-6 3.00 pm
Wednesday 11th Oct.	<p><u>Individual Photo Day</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Gymnastics Club 7.30 am● Achievers Assembly 10.10 am (by invitation only)● Code Camp YR3-6 3.00 pm● Gymnastics Club 3.00 pm <p><u>Parents Evening</u></p>
Thursday 12th Oct.	<p><u>Cultural Dress Day</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm
Friday 13th Oct.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dance Club 7.50 am