

Newsletter

Friday 3rd November 2023



James Dixon
Primary



STRENGTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE



Pupil Principals

Hi, JD. I'm back in action and so is the new term. Time goes fast six weeks ago i was making a Pupil Principal speech. Now i rule the school: with Mr Minnot as my assistant. This week was exquisite we had a scientific workshop about space, planets and the cosmos. Really makes me feel small. See you next week and have a exciting weekend. Bye!



My week so far has been great as we had had the chance to experience a great workshop about space as it is our subject this term in science. My teachers are also trying really hard to get us all prepared for our SATS.



Year 1 to Crystal Palace Park

As part of their topic in Science, Year 1 spent a day at Crystal Palace Park this week to explore the sights, sounds and textures that are changing as we move into the colder weather. The children were especially fascinated with the array of Autumn colours.



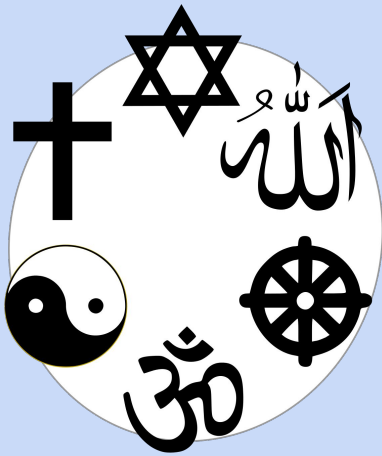
Colourful Class Forest School

Forest School has started this year in Colourful Class! This week's change in weather allowed some of us to try out our new waterproof suits.

The children loved the opportunity to engage in the sensory experiences, especially closely looking at the fauna and making, "New homes for worms!"



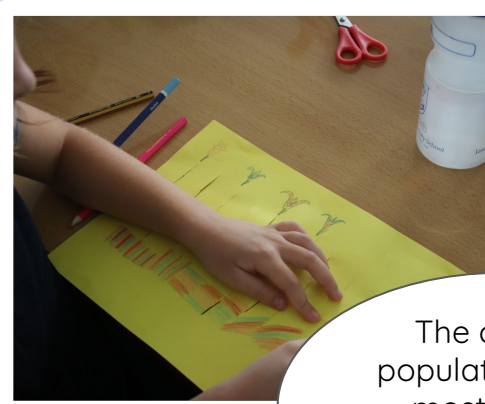
Curriculum focus - RE



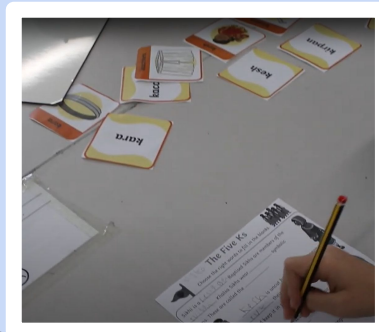
RE Day is an opportunity for all children in Years 1 - 6 to learn about the World's Religions.

We invite visitors in from a range of different faiths to share their expertise with the children.

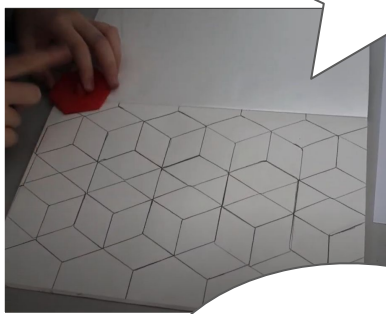
RE Day incorporates research, story telling, drama and art as ways of teaching and learning about many aspects within different religions. Each Year group has a 'Big Question' that they will learn about and answer throughout the day.



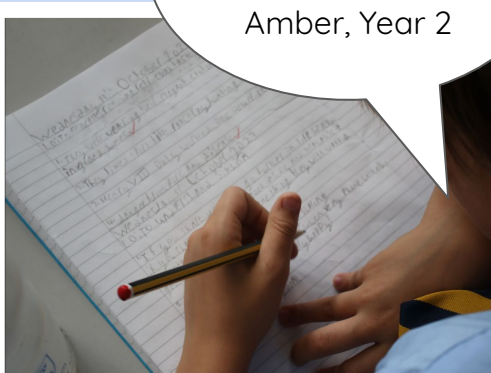
The country populated by the most Jewish people is Israel.
Alfie, Year 5



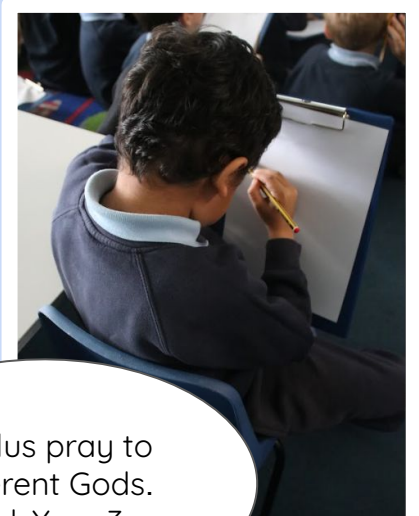
We learnt about Sikhism and how sharing is very important.
Mason, Year 4



Buddhists don't worship any Gods.
Amber, Year 2

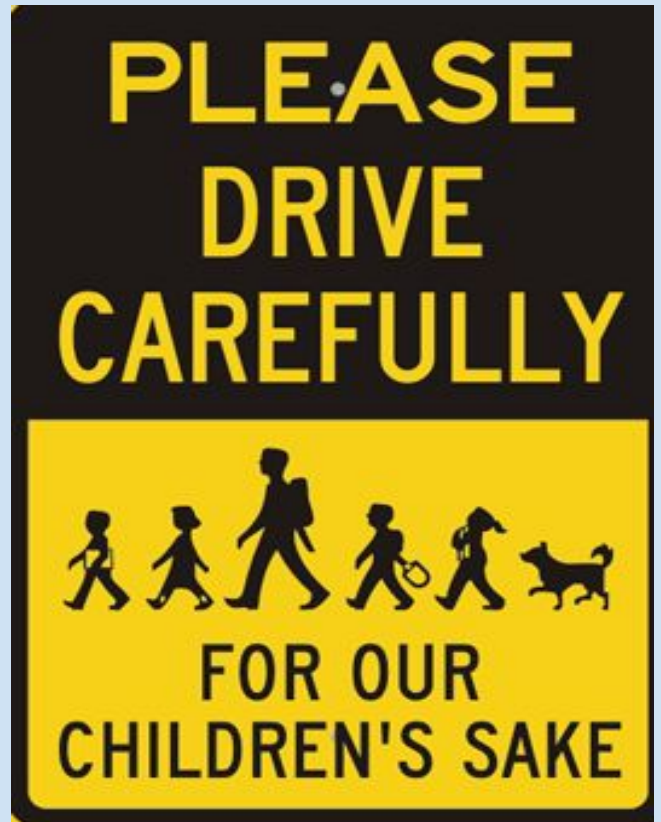


Hindus pray to different Gods.
Ted, Year 3



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 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



Join the PTA!



The PTA Committee needs another two team members, to support us with the great things we want to achieve this school year.

- Whether you are an organiser, an ideas person, someone who makes things happen or brilliant with social media. You don't need to be able to meet up, so whether you are stay at home or work full time, we need your help.
- Being a committee member is great for your CV, we can give references and build your skill set.
- The Committee is made up of different people, speaking different languages and from different cultures, all caring about our school and doing the best for the children, come and join us.

Please email the PTA jamesdixonpta@gmail.com to find out more.

YOUR P.T.A

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**Make a difference
Get involved. All welcome.**



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[PTA Forum Facebook group](#)

Next week's achievers

R.E.

Reflective Class	Savannah
Resilient Class	Rita
Kind Class	Ryvan
Considerate Class	Miles
Capable Class	Mahalah
Cooperative Class	Bethany
Caring Class	Tanzeela
Successful Class	Leo
Adventurous Class	Jojo
Confident Class	Leila

Weekly Attendance

96%

*Be here every day,
all day!*

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	97%
Year 1	97%
Year 2	93%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	96%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	96%

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Dates for your diary

Monday 6th Nov.	<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
Tuesday 7th Nov.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mini Athletics R-YR1 3.00 pm● Drama Club YR4-6 3.00 pm
Wednesday 8th Nov.	<p><u>Year 3 Cinema trip</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
Thursday 9th Nov.	<p><u>Year 1 & 2 Cinema Trips</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Phonics Booster 3.00 pm (selected children only)● Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm● Cross Country meeting for parents 3.15 pm
Friday 10th Nov.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dance Club 7.50 am