

Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2024



James Dixon
Primary



STRENGTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

Pupil Principals

Hi! Thursday was World Book day and the school looked really colourful as we all wore costumes of characters from our favourite books. The best bit was the parade in the hall which finished with the teachers showing off their outfits as well.



Hi how are you today? This week has been quite exciting because it was World Book Day on Thursday and also, the posters for the “JD’s Got Talent” show went up around the school. Hopefully it will be a big event!



World Book Day Parade



Family Fun Maths

	Monday 18th March	Tuesday 19th March	Wednesday 20th March	Thursday 21st March	Friday 22nd March
9:00-9:40 am		Year Three		Year Two	Year Six
13:10-13:50 pm	Year One	Year Four	Year Five		

Family Fun Maths is an opportunity for parents and carers to join their child in a fun maths session.




This year, these sessions will run during STEM week between 18th-22nd March.

It will take place in the hall and run for approximately 40 minutes.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Term Dates 2023-2024

	 HELLO SPRING		 HELLO SUMMER		 HELLO AUTUMN
Term Starts	Wednesday 3rd January 2024		Tuesday 16th April 2024		Monday 2nd September 2024
Half Term	Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024		Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024		Monday 21st October - Friday 1st November 2024
Term Finishes	Friday 29th March 2024 @ 2pm		Tuesday 23rd July 2024 @ 2pm		Friday 20th December 2024 @2pm

World Book Day Competition



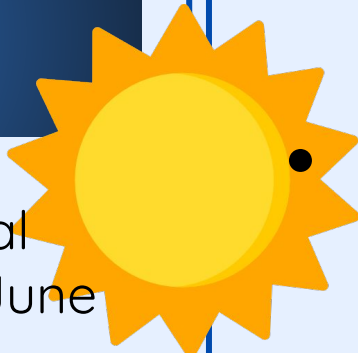

Here are just some of the entries in our eggstravagan-za World Book Day Competition. The winners will be announced next week.



April

- Summer Term starts Tuesday 16th April
- Inset Day 15th April

June

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- Year 6 Residential 21st June -24th June
 - Phonics Screen Checks Y1 and 2 Retakes
 - RE Day 12th June
 - Year 4 African Drumming 18th June
 - Year 2 Littlehampton trip
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UPCOMING EVENTS

May

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- Key Stage 2 SATs Week 13th May - 16th May
 - Bank Holiday 6th May
 - Year 2 Spirit of the Wild workshop 10th May
 - Sports Day 23rd May
 - Half Term 27th - 31st May

July

- Year 6 Junior Citizenship 8th July
- End of school year 23rd July
- Inset Day 24th July

Creative Writing Club



WRITE YOUR STORY



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A PLACE TO LOOSEN YOUR PEN



Creative Writing Club (11 sessions)

THURSDAY, 25th April to THURSDAY, 11th July

We've been doing this in London for over 15 years. We are a group of qualified writers: playwrights, poets, novelists and journalists.

We encourage children to write the stories they want to write. Colourful characters; superheroes and supervillains; planning and editing are all improved in a fun atmosphere.

Children LOVE coming to Inkhead. Suddenly, they can write! We give regular feedback both written and verbal.

Parents LOVE inkhead. Children's literacy levels improve (sneakily) and they realise that writing is just so much fun!

To book:

Please email info@inkhead.co.uk with your child's name and class. £110 for the term (£10/session)

Singing Club

BOO THEATRE AND ENTERTAINMENT



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY **SINGING CLUB Years 2-6- WEDNESDAYS**

Boo Theatre & Entertainment are delighted to Launching our NEW SINGING CLUB - On Wednesdays at James Dixon for the Summer 24 term.

Boo Theatre is run by Jake & Becky - both professional actors with over ten years' experience & a true passion for teaching & introducing others to the arts. Becky trained in Musical Theatre at The Royal Central School of Speech & Drama and has performed internationally as a vocalist and performer whilst Jake also a lengthy and varied CV - having performed both nationally and abroad over the past decade.

Boo Theatre and Entertainment work alongside a fantastic team of industry professionals & aim to bring our professional experience & knowledge to ensure children will have the opportunity to enhance singing technique , learn how to breathe correctly and warm up their vocal chords, as well as learning a variety of songs, and, most importantly, having fun whilst doing so.



The clubs will run from 1500-1600

FOR YEARS 2-6 ON WEDNESDAYS

from 24th April - 16th July (12 weeks)

Sessions are £4.00 per child per week = £52 total

*****Please Note ***** - We require **ADVANCE BOOKINGS** to ensure we have an accurate count of numbers and can ensure we can launch / run as planned – therefore please be sure to contact us to book your place asap. We really appreciate it if all parents can book & pay prior to the club start date, as opposed to on the day or after the club has started – As this can result in clubs being cancelled unnecessarily if we do not have an accurate record of numbers.

TO BOOK PLEASE EMAIL BOOTHEATREANDENTERTAINMENT@GMAIL.COM

James Dixon PTA



JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL
PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

SPRING BAKE SALE



-  **FRIDAY 22 MARCH – 3PM.**
-  Please give your NUT FREE bakes to the office on Friday morning.
-  All items will be 50p or £1 each. We take cards or cash.
-  Please label bakes if Gluten free or Dairy Free.
-  Feel free to decorate for Spring or Easter.

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JAMES DIXON PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION

PERSONAL PORTRAIT TEATOWELS

THANK YOU! To the Teachers, TAs, JD Office Staff and Parent Volunteers for making this happen this year.



PLEASE ORDER & PAY for your teatowels.

ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday 24 March. Teatowels to be distributed in class in the last week of this term.

These make **great Easter gifts for family and friends**, to proudly display your child's drawing. They are 100% cotton, machine washable.

They will also be able to buy until the end of school year at Picnic & Proms if we have enough stock.



Reception, Years 2,4,5&6: £6.00/teatowel



Reception, Years 2,4,5&6: £17.00 for 3 teatowels/family



Years 1&3: £5.00/teatowel



Years 1&3: £14.00 for 3 teatowels/family

Please transfer the correct money to, after **CHECKING** the details:

Paying directly to the bank account to keep teatowel costs low as platforms have additional fees.

- ✓ "James Dixon Primary School PTA" METRO Bank Account
- ✓ Account #:48965288
- ✓ Sort code:23-05-80
- ✓ **Reference:** Child's first name, Last name initial and School Year
- ✓ **No reference, no teatowel.** E.g. Pupil Principal Celeste Hamylton is **CelesteHYr6**

Any questions? Please email the PTA JamesDixonPTA@Gmail.com

Or contact your **YEAR REP** via WhatsApp.

Weekly Attendance

Be here every day, all day!

95%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	93%
Energetic	96%
Expressive	100%
Reflective	95%
Resilient	94%
Considerate	97%
Kind	100%
Capable	98%
Cooperative	93%
Caring	96%
Successful	90%
Adventurous	97%
Confident	98%

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Next week's achievers

Home Learning

Reflective Class	Paris
Resilient Class	Dimitar
Kind Class	Isaac
Considerate Class	Orion
Capable Class	Ella-Rose
Cooperative Class	Bethany
Caring Class	Mary
Successful Class	Ela
Adventurous Class	Alfie
Confident Class	Zaida

Dates for your diary

Mon. 11th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Tues. 12th March

CLASS PHOTO DAY

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Mini Athletics
Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm

Wed. 13th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Gymnastics
Competition (selected
children only)

Cheerleading Club
7.30 am

**Achievers Assembly
10.15 am (invited
parents only)**

Gymnastics Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 3-6
3.00 pm

Thur. 14th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Phonics booster
(selected children
only) 3.00 pm

Steel Pan Club Yr 3
3.00 pm

Steel Pan Club Yr 4
3.30 pm

Friday 15th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Dance Club 7.50 am

Yr 3 Chocolate
museum workshop

Mon. 18th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

**Yr 1 Family Fun
Maths 1.00 pm**

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Tues. 19th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

**Yr 3 Family Fun Maths
9.00 am**

**Yr 4 Family Fun Maths
1.00 pm**

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Mini Athletics
Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm

Wed. 20th March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

SEND Bowling trip
(selected children only)

Cheerleading Club
7.30 am

**Achievers Assembly
10.15 am (invited
parents only)**

**Yr 5 Family Fun Maths
1.00 pm**

Gymnastics Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 3-6
3.00 pm

Thurs. 21st March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

**Yr 2 Family Fun Maths
9.00 am**

Phonics booster
(selected children
only) 3.00 pm

Steel Pan Club Yr 3
3.00 pm

Steel Pan Club Yr 4
3.30 pm

Friday 22nd March

Swimming Yr 4
Cooperative Class

Dance Club 7.50 am

**Yr 6 Family Fun
Maths 9.00 am**

Yr 2 Church Visit

Mon. 25th March

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Tues. 26th March

Yr 5 WW2 Day

Yr 6 Buddhist Centre
trip

**Year 3 & 4 Production
Considerate &
Capable Class 1.30pm**

Football Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 1-2
3.00 pm

Drama Club Yr 1-3
3.00 pm

Drama Club
Performance 3.45 pm

Wed. 27th March

Cheerleading Club 7.30
am

**Year 3 & 4 Production
Kind & Cooperative
Class 1.30 pm**

Gymnastics Club
3.00 pm

Code Camp Yr 3-6
3.00 pm

Thur. 28th March

**SCHOOL FINISHES AT
2.00 pm**

Friday 29th March

EASTER HOLIDAYS

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