

# Newsletter

Friday 15th March 2024



James Dixon  
Primary



STRENGTH THROUGH KNOWLEDGE





# Cross Country Heroes



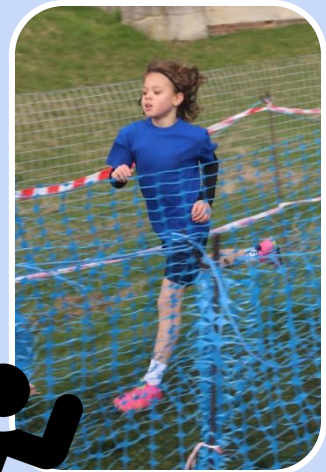
Saturday 9th March was another magical JD day as YR 3 & 4 got their running shoes on and took part in Bromley Schools Cross Country!





# Cross Country Heroes

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# Flipping into 3rd Place



On Wednesday our Yr 5 and 6 gymnastics team travelled to Bromley Valley Gymnastics Club to represent JD in a borough competition.



These talented athletes have been training tirelessly, practising their skills on the vault and floor.



Their commitment and perseverance is truly inspiring and was recognised with their impressive **3rd place** position!



# Class Photo Day

On Tuesday the photographers from Fraser Portraits visited JD to take the annual photo for each class. We hope you are pleased with the results. Here are some behind the scenes shots of what went on during the day.





# Eco Team go Litter Picking



This week, the Eco Team went litter picking in our local area. We couldn't believe the amount of litter, especially along William Booth Road and the surrounding car parks. There were some really interesting discussions about our environment and most of the children kept asking, "Why do people do it?" Please help our community and the planet by always putting your rubbish in a bin.

The support from the public was overwhelming! Several people stopped and commended the children on what a good job they were doing. We could have continued for much longer so we are already planning our next trip!





# 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!





# Creative Writing Club



# WRITE YOUR STORY



**inkhead**  
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](mailto: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](mailto:BOOTHEATREANDENTERTAINMENT@GMAIL.COM)**



# Term Dates 2023-2024

	 HELLO SPRING		 HELLO SUMMER		 HELLO AUTUMN
<b>Term Starts</b>	Wednesday 3rd January 2024		Tuesday 16th April 2024		Monday 2nd September 2024
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February 2024		Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May 2024		Monday 21st October - Friday 1st November 2024
<b>Term Finishes</b>	Thursday 28th March 2024 @ 2pm		Tuesday 23rd July 2024 @ 2pm		Friday 20th December 2024 @2pm

## Egg Competition Winners



Well done to Laura in Year 3 who won the individual prize for Gangsta Granny. The class prize was won by Kind Class for Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.



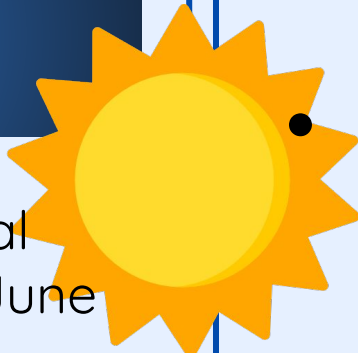





## April

- 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



# The Way of the Cross

BETTS  
PARK

Hosted by the Friends of Betts Park  
Supported by local churches and the community

**SATURDAY 30TH MARCH 2024**  
**3.30pm meet at the Outdoor Gym,**  
**Betts Park, Anerley Road, SE20 8TP**

Everyone is welcome to join our journey around the park  
to remember the meaning of Easter and carry a Cross if you wish.

For more information:  
Contact Jeff Hawthorne (07984193783)  
or Walter Leonard (bettsparkse20@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.



# James Dixon PTA



## 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](mailto:JamesDixonPTA@Gmail.com)

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



# Weekly Attendance

*Be here every day, all day!*

95%

Year Group	Attendance
Curious	97%
Energetic	95%
Expressive	98%
Reflective	95%
Resilient	90%
Considerate	99%
Kind	97%
Capable	94%
Cooperative	99%
Caring	96%
Successful	92%
Adventurous	95%
Confident	97%

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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

<u>Mon. 18th March</u> <b>STEM Week</b> 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	<u>Tues.19th March</u> <b>STEM Week</b> Swimming Yr 4 Cooperative Class Yr 3 Family Fun Maths 9.00 am Yr 4 Family Fun Maths 1.00 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	<u>Wed. 20th March</u> <b>STEM Week</b> 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	<u>Thurs. 21st March</u> <b>STEM Week</b> 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	<u>Friday 22nd March</u> <b>STEM Week</b> Swimming Yr 4 Cooperative Class Dance Club 7.50 am Dance Club performance 8.15am Yr 6 Family Fun Maths 9.00 am Yr 2 Church Visit
<u>Mon. 25th March</u> Football Club 3.00 pm Code Camp Yr 1-2 3.00 pm Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm	<u>Tues. 26th March</u> Yr 5 WW2 Day Yr 6 Buddhist Centre trip Year 3 & 4 Production Considerate & Capable Class 1.30pm Code Camp Yr 1-2 3.00 pm Drama Club Yr 1-3 3.00 pm Drama Club Performance 3.45 pm	<u>Wed. 27th March</u> 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	<u>Thur. 28th March</u>  <u>OWN CLOTHES DAY</u>  <u>SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2.00 pm</u>	<u>Friday 29th March</u>  <u>EASTER HOLIDAYS</u>
<u>Monday 15th April</u>  <u>INSET DAY</u>	<u>Tuesday 16th April</u> Mini Athletics Rec-Yr 1 3.00 pm	<u>Wed. 17th April</u> Cheerleading Club 7.30 am	<u>Thursday 18th April</u>	<u>Friday 19th April</u> Dance Club 7.50 am  James Dixon Primary 