

Science

In science we will be learning about **Animals including humans.**

Throughout this unit we will be investigating the different needs of a variety of animals.

We will be looking at the diets, habitats and skeletons of the animals and comparing them to one another as well as humans.



Times Table Rockstars

We are very excited to announce that pupils at SJSJ now have access to a new app called 'Times Table Rockstars'.

This app is designed to build children's fluency when recalling multiplication and division tables. Each child has their login in the back of their homework books and they can access the app at home and at school.

If there are any questions about the app, please feel free to ask.



Accelerated Reader

Accelerated reading is timetabled for every **Tuesday.**

Children will have the opportunity to complete an online test and change their reading books however they can also complete their tests and change their books **every lunchtime.**

Children are expected to have their reading books with them every day.



St John and St James C of E Primary School Class Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 3, welcome back to SJSJ!
We hope you had a wonderful, relaxing Christmas holiday!

Year 3 showed great maturity in their first term and we hope they keep it up. We have many interesting units of work to cover and the Year 3 Team are excited to start!

Adults working in Year 3

Mr Watson
Mrs Eames
Miss Christian

Humanities – History



This term we will be basing our learning around the exciting topic of **Ancient Egypt!**

We will be focusing our learning around the key question – **'Why were the Ancient Egyptians so successful?'**

Throughout the topic we will be researching significant people in Ancient Egypt, such as Tutankhamun and Cleopatra as well as looking at the significance and history of the great pyramids.

The people of Egypt had strong religious beliefs which influenced their day to day lifestyle and it is the beliefs and the subsequent actions of the Ancient Egyptians which we will then focus on.

English

In writing this half term, we will be using 'Flat Stanley and the Great Egyptian Grave Robbery' to inspire and influence our writing.

Using the text, we will be writing instructions on how to perform the perfect Egyptian grave robbery and also applying our knowledge of speech and speech marks, to create a dialogue text between the main characters.

To conclude the half term, we will then imagine somebody has stolen Tutankhamun's tomb and write our own story on how we could catch the thief!

Maths

The topics we will be focusing on are measure, time and fractions.

We will be using addition to find the perimeter and area of shapes and then move on to telling the time from both a digital and analogue clock.

We will then use visual methods to add and subtract like fractions.

We will also be revisiting our 3 and 4 times tables.

It would be appreciated if times tables were also learnt at home in order to develop fluency.



PE

PE will take place on **Wednesday and Thursday**.

It is essential that your child has the correct school PE uniform for each Session.



RE

In RE we will be focussing on **Judaism**.

Our learning this half term will be guided towards answering our key question — '*What is it like to be Jewish?*'

Throughout this topic we will be exploring different objects used within Jewish worship and discussing their importance. We will then discover where, within a Synagogue, would we find these objects.

Once we have visited a Synagogue, we will learn how Jewish people worship and the different events they have to show their faith.

Throughout the unit we will be comparing and contrasting Jewish faith to our own.

Trips



This half term we will be linking our trip to our RE topic of Judaism.

We will be visiting the Hackney Synagogue to experience what Jewish worship is like. We will also be able to ask any questions surrounding our R.E topic too.

The date for this trip is **Wednesday 29th January**.

Our class assembly will take place on **Friday 17th January**. We would love it if you could come and support us.

Homework

As usual, homework is handed out each week on a Friday and must be returned to school by

Tuesday. There is a writing activity, spelling activity and a maths exercise linked to what we have been doing during the week. Please support your child by discussing the homework tasks with them.

If you or your child is unsure about how to tackle the homework, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

