



St John & St James' C of E Primary School

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Who's Who at SJSJ

Mr Charles is incredibly passionate about improving P.E within the school and has enjoyed seeing how the children have handled the new challenges he has set.

He is keen to build strong relationships with parents and carers to support children in their learning and staying active.

He has links with local sport clubs and will be aiming to provide a range of opportunities for children to participate in activities outside of school.



Jeans for Genes

Thank you to everyone that took part in Jeans for Genes today.

We managed to collect an amazing £81.00, and your money will be going towards a good cause.

Football Tickets

We have great opportunity to purchase group football tickets for the England women vs Northern Ireland women World cup qualifier.

The match will be taking place at Wembley Stadium on Saturday 23rd October at 5:15pm.

If you are interested in attending this event please contact the office by Friday 24th September so that we can purchase an adequate amount of tickets.

Ticket prices:

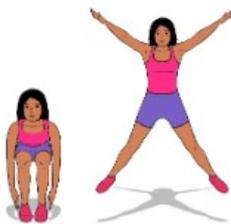
Adults are £10.00

Children: £2.50



Wellbeing Tip

Star jumps are a great exercise to get your heart racing and work your leg and arm muscles. To perform a full star jump, you must crouch down and jump up with your arms and legs spread in the air. That counts as one. In one minute, Mr Watson managed 25 star jumps. Can you beat him?



Online Safety Tip

Don't talk to strangers on the Internet.



Home Reading

Every child has been given a new reading diary, which will be checked in school. Early years, year 1 and year 2 diaries are checked on a Tuesday and Friday.

New books are allocated on these days to your child.

Key Stage 2 reading dairies are checked daily and children can change their books during lunchtime or in their allocated accelerated reading session during the week.

All children are expected to read daily to an adult at home. We ask that adults listening to Nursery, reception, year 1 and year 2 children acknowledge that they have listened to their child read by signing their initials in the reading dairy or write a comment about their child's reading.

Key Stage 2 children are expected to summarise what they have read each day. We would still like adults to sign these reading diaries daily too.

There is much you can do to support your child at home.

- Read to them and always discuss the story you are reading to try to build your child's comprehension skills and understanding by asking them questions about what they have read.
- Practise the sounds they know at home. Ask your child's teacher for a copy of the sounds being taught this term.
- Listen to your child read every night. Find a quiet time to hear your child read and use lots and lots of praise to encourage them.

Talk to them! The most important thing you can do is to talk to your child and listen to them when they are talking to you. Try to extend their vocabulary range and their skill at talking in increasingly more complex sentences. For example, try to teach them alternative words for ideas, or nouns they already know.



Amazing work...

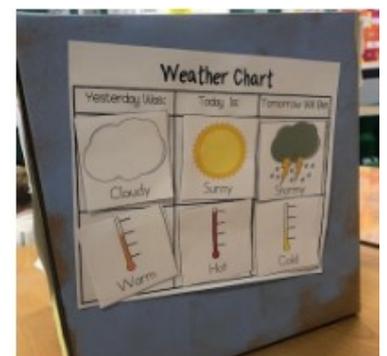
Reception class has been focusing on strengthening our fine motor skills through writing, drawing and using tweezers.



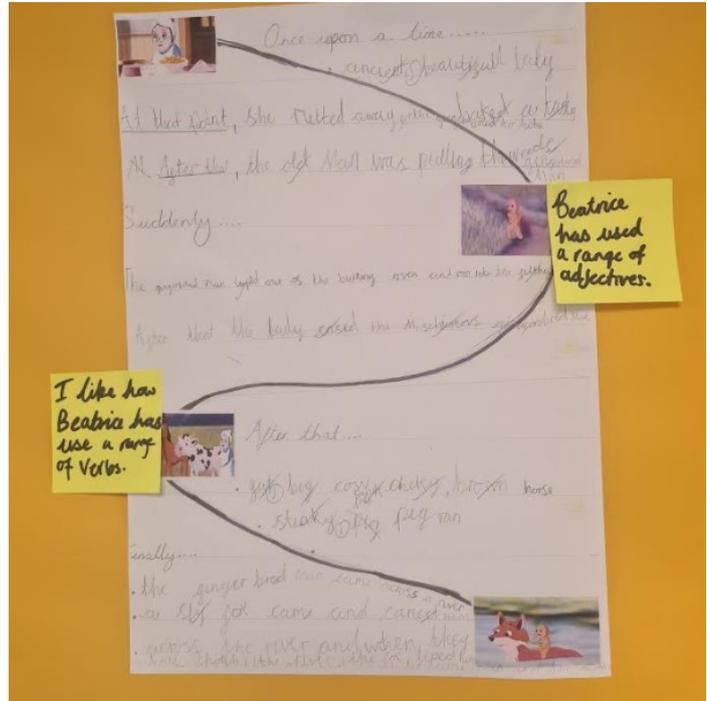
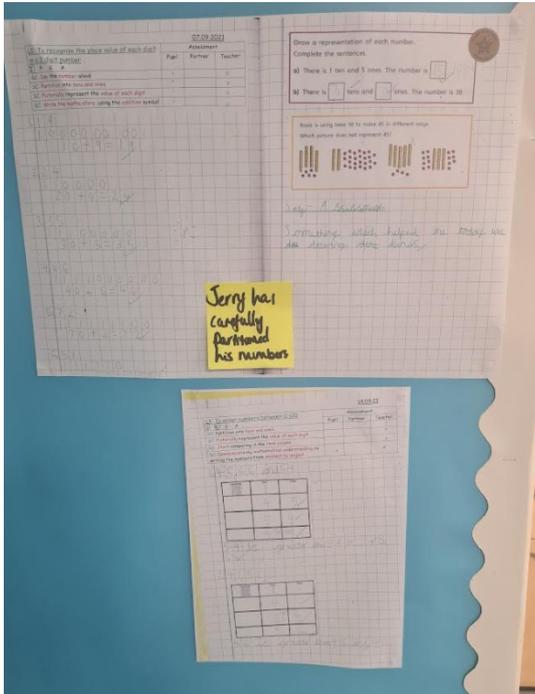
For Max's homework in **Year 1**, he did some fantastic research all about our key scientist Michael Fish. He was a meteorologist and used to present the weather reports on the news. Max then created his own weather report, inspired by Mr Fish!



Ted was also inspired by Michael Fish and his study of the weather. He created his own weather station, which is extremely handy to know what to wear!



In Year 2 Jerry in did great maths work partitioning 3 digit numbers. Beatrice created a detailed plan for retelling the story of the gingerbread man .



Year 3 are learning about rocks and soil in Science lessons. Check out some of the different ways they chose to sort and classify rocks in their lesson this week.



This week, in science, **Year 4** have been exploring the human digestive system as part of our topic, 'Animals including Humans'. Maggie found a very exciting way to share her learning with the class. Over the weekend, she was researching out key scientist, Dr Megan Rossi, who works closely with nutritionists to create healthy, balanced recipes. Inspired by her work, Maggie spent the weekend being very creative in the kitchen and made some delicious butter-bean burgers. The class were lucky enough to be able to taste some themselves, and the children really enjoyed using their senses to explore the delicious treat before giving it a try!



Year 5 have been making self-portraits in the style of Derek Russell. The class used thick brush strokes and paint to make out self-portraits. They also used a painting technique called 'double-loading' where they put two paint colours on one paint brush. Everyone in year 5 loved their masterpieces!



Year 5's had a JRSO presentation today. Some children in year five will become Junior Road Safety Officers. They will be trained on how to use the road safely and all the rules of the road! They will then be sharing their knowledge with children around school in class workshops and competitions!



Miss Bienias has spotted that **Year 6** are very talented historians and this really showed in their workshop with Hackney Museum this week! The class looked at primary and secondary sources from World War Two and decided what information they provided them with and what hypotheses they could make about the past. The class were really touched by the story of Blanca, who moved to Hackney during the war from Austria. She was a Jewish woman who fled her country and found refuge in our amazing borough. She is 91 years old today and still lives in Hackney. History has really made them empathise and think about the fascinating stories and lives of others.



School Lunch

Check out what we had for lunch on Tuesday, Quorn chilli wrap. The children enjoyed the meal immensely.

"I love the new school menu! Who knew the vegetarian option was tasty and didn't look any different." - Esther, Year 5

"I like the school lunch because it is different to what I eat at home and I like that Chef Patrick comes out to talk to us about the food he has been making." - Jayden, Year 3



Hockey Competition

Year 5 and 6 have taken part in a lunchtime Hockey competition. The competition provides children with an opportunity to try out a new activity. It also prepares children for competitions when COVID restrictions are eased. So far we have had 24 children participating and hopefully we will have more children taking part in the next competition.



Reception Parent Workshop

Come along next Friday morning to meet other reception parents, have a coffee/tea and learn about how you can support your child with home reading.

When: **Friday 24th September**

Time: **9.05am**

Where: **In the Multipurpose Room** (Sign in at the school office and we will show you where to go)

Please do a lateral flow test before coming to school, wear a face mask and sanitize hands on arrival. If you are feeling unwell please don't attend.

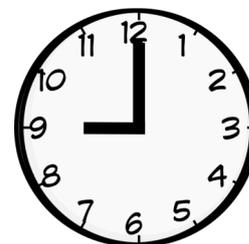


Punctuality

Please ensure children arrive for school promptly at 8.55am for the start of school assembly.

Our pastoral manager will be monitoring lateness to ensure children are arriving on time and will be meeting parents who's children are persistently late.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Lost Property

Please be reminded to clearly label all school uniform items (including PE kits and coats) with your child's name to ensure that any lost property can be returned.

The lost property box remains in the main school office; all unlabelled uniform will be kept here.





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Important Dates for your Diary

Details of Event	Time	Date
Recycling Week	-	20.9.21
International Day of Peace	-	21.9.21
Reception Coffee Morning	9.15am	24.9.21
Black History Month	-	October 21
Parents Coffee Morning: Homework	9.15am	01.10.21
Parents Coffee Morning: Wellbeing	9.15am	04.10.21
Y6 Parent Workshop Secondary Application	9.15am	06.10.21
National Poetry Day	-	07.10.21
World Mental Health Day	-	09.10.21
BHM Celebration in Church	9.15am	20.10.21

Gold Award

Name	Class	Reason
Blake	Year 1	For being positive in every lesson and always trying his best.
Anoushka	Year 1	For fantastic effort in her homework this week.
Jonah	Year 2	For putting 100% in every lesson and working incredibly hard.
Oceane	Year 2	For showing a great love of learning and being a brilliant role model for partner talk.
Dominic	Year 3	For producing amazing homework EVERY week. Fantastic stone age timeline.
Jack	Year 3	For being positive and kind to everyone around him.
Khamil and Rikaylia	Year 4	For amazing concentration and effort in maths this week. Keep it up.
Johanna	Year 5	For fantastic presentation in her maths book.
Noah	Year 5	For his fantastic manners and always being polite.
Amelle and Caelan	Year 6	For showing amazing focus and engagement in their workshop with Hackney Museum.
Elif, Ellie and Jemimah	Year 6	For amazing resilience in maths. Even though they attempted some tricky work, they have not given up, they've kept trying and shown amazing determination.