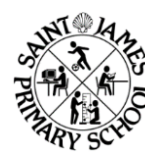


# St James Church of England Primary School

## News Letter 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

*Let all that you do be done in love* 1 Corinthians 16:14

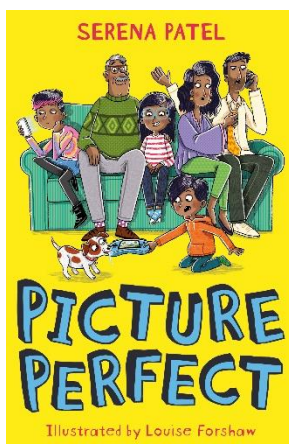


### SCHOOL LIFE

Children in school have been busy with end of term assessments and finishing of this term's topics. It is great to hear all the stories of successful learning around school and some children have really grown in confidence this term. This week in school the children in year 5 have begun their road safety lessons with bikeability! By the end of the summer term all year 5 and 6 children will have had the opportunity to do this.



Next week is very busy – clubs are staying open as it is such a short term. We also have all our Easter activities; we hope to see lots of Year 4 parents on Tuesday afternoon when the children will present the Easter Story.



On Friday we also have an author visiting school. Year 5 will have workshops with the Serena Patel, who has written the Anisha Detective Stories and Picture Perfect. If children are already a fan they can bring books from home to be signed.

Easter Bonnet parade and parties are also on Friday so children can come to school in bright clothes for Easter crafts and lots of fun. If the children have an Easter Bonnet to parade we will be giving out prizes.



**School will finish at 3.15pm for the Easter Break.**

### ATTENDANCE

Average school attendance for the year so far is 89% which is below Government expectations and a real worry in terms of missed learning opportunities and consistent routines. Whilst we recognise that there are extraordinary viruses and illnesses around at the moment Persistent Absence continues to be a real concern, as we continue to have unauthorised leave in term time and high rates of absence from a small group of the same children. The local authority has started to issue fines to any families taking leave in term time.

***Classes 1D & 6G won the attendance bears for last week***

Thank you to all of you who continue to make it your priority to get children into school every day and on time. **Parents must remember to call school to report your child's absence.**

*Let Your Light Shine* Matthew 5:16

## STAR OF THE WEEK



Week Beginning – 27.02.23		Week Beginning – 13.03.23	
RM – Gurjinder	RO - Jeanelle	RM – Erica	RO – Aizah
1J – Sehajpreet	1D – Ekamvir	1J – Ayaan	1D – Adam
2M – Sonam	2O – K'marni	2M – Daniel	2O – A'zeez
3K – Andrew	3R – Maria	3K – Jayden	3R – Levi
4H – Sawda	4U – Rowan	4H – Aarya	4U – Khymani
5C – Omayma	5M – Ayaan	5C – Ruwwad	5M – Ayomide
6G – Gursimran	6N – Sartaaaj	6G – Laiba	6N – Saira

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Parents and Carers phone calls with staff
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Easter Assembly – Year 4 Parents Welcome 2.15pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	Easter Bonnet parades in the morning 9.15am Author Serena Patel visiting school – Year 5 <b>Easter Parties in the afternoon</b> <b>No school Uniform – Finish at 3.15pm</b>
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	End of Spring term
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	Children return to School
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 3 Trip to Lunt Roman Fort
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Class 5M Assembly
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 2 Trip to Botanical Gardens
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	King Charles Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATs Week begins – No holidays
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Year 6 Bikeability Week
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 trip to Walsall Art Gallery
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	End of Half-Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to School
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 Trip to West Midlands Safari Park
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Theatre Workshop Careless Talk
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Residential Trip to Woodlands
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole School Art Week Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Service at St Philip's Cathedral
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 – 7 Transition day / visits to new Secondary School
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leaver's Production 6pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Graduation and Party 9.30am
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of Summer Term