

Learning together with courage and kindness 'For the good of all' 1 Corinthians 12



St James News

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Dear St James Families,

**MOMENTS
MATTER,
ATTENDANCE
COUNTS.**

Attendance this week: 95.8%
School & Trust target: 96%

We continue to be very busy in school in the lead up to the Easter holidays. I know last week Mrs Keulin and Mr Dudley were incredibly impressed and proud of the Year 5 pupils who represented St James at our Trust Celebration of Languages. This included Spanish art exploration, German singing, French parachute games and learning some braille and sign language! Well done team!



Thank you so much to everyone for their support and cooperation with a change to Parents Evening this week. It is always our aim to keep dates in place wherever possible, as I know how hard juggling diaries are and we are so grateful to everyone for their understanding with this unavoidable change. This is such a good opportunity for you to hear about the great learning that your children are doing and also what you might be able to do to support at home. If you have been unable to book an appointment please to contact the school to arrange this.

Book fair:

It was so lovely to see everyone getting so excited about books this week with the Travelling Book Fair in school all week. A huge **THANK YOU** to Fiona Assersohn for organising this and giving so much of her time to running it - not only a great time for children to celebrate the joy of reading, as well as raising funds to add to our school Library but also a chance to make memories!



Helping Hands:



Helping to create the best Library ever!



Sponsored Read



Don't forget to collect your sponsored read donations for all your amazing reading before 31st March either in cash or via

<https://justgiving.com/campaign/helpinghands-sponsoredread>

The Helping Hands have a match funder - so every penny donated will be **DOUBLED!**

Thank you for all your brilliant efforts to help create an amazing school library!!

Learning celebration in Donaldson Class:

The youngest members of our school community have been doing lots of wonderful learning and started the term with a mini competition to design the best pet. They all did such a wonderful job and their entries are now displayed proudly in our Library. Special congratulations to Niall whose pet was chosen as the winner!



Celebration Collective Worship:

There was so much to celebrate this week it feels like every pupil needs a massive well done! We started by hearing about a couple of clubs that the pupils are keen to start after the Easter break. One around charity and raising money for the school and another developing our knitting and crocheting skills. If anyone in our community would like to support in school with either of these it would be much appreciated - this could be in person or by donating wool or equipment such as needles and hooks!

Inkpen Class took yet another bow this week after their wonderful performance at our Easter Service. Our readers also did a great job in the church. Thanks goes to Mr Oxley as well for playing for us during the service and his wife who stepped in at the last minute to lead the service. We are also very grateful to our Open The Book Team who gave us a memorable performance as ever!



We also celebrated the Year 6s for their perseverance this week while completing their final mock SATs. Then Year 5 received a well earned Headteacher's award for their brilliantly formed persuasive arguments this week, giving us a little taster of their work!





Finally we ended our celebration with our other learning achievements. This included awards such as, a marshal art belt, extra maths and some brilliant cushion making by the Year 3s.



There has also been a real buzz on the field this week with children becoming archeologists and making some interesting discoveries! Year 3 were keen to share their excitement in Collective Worship!

Key Dates for the Diary

March 2024

<p>27th March</p> 	<p>Science Fair Final at Williams F1 The winners of our Science Fair will be going to Williams F1 to join the science competition winners from other schools.</p> <p>Reception Stay and Play 8.45 - 9.30 More details to follow</p>
<p>28th March</p> 	<p>Last day of term School ends at 12.30pm after lunch</p>

Henley KIDS

FUN TRIATHLON

SWIM - BIKE - RUN - FUN

SATURDAY 1ST JUNE 2024

HENLEY LEISURE CENTRE AND GILLOTS SCHOOL, OXFORDSHIRE



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- ✓ HEATED INDOOR POOL SWIM
- ✓ SAFE FLAT RUN & BIKE COURSES
- ✓ NON COMPETITIVE TIMED EVENTS
- ✓ TAKE PART ON YOUR OWN OR AS PART OF A FUN TEAM OF TWO OR THREE
- ✓ GREAT CHARITY FUNDRAISING EVENT

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Easter Holiday Camps 2024: Venues and Dates



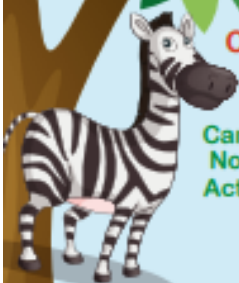
Tuesday 2nd April	Stockham Primary School, Stockham Way, Wantage, OX12 9HL
Wednesday 3rd April	Ardley and Fewcott Hall, Ardley Road, Bicester, OX27 7PA
Thursday 4th April	Barton Park Primary School, Barton Fields Rd, Headington, OX3 9WN
Friday 5th April	Caldecott Primary School, Caldecott Rd, Abingdon, OX14 5HB
Monday 8th April	West Oxford Primary School, Ferry Hinksey Road, Oxford, OX2 0BY
Tuesday 9th April	Didcot Civic Hall, Britwell Road, Didcot, OX11 7JN
Wednesday 10th April	Begbroke Village Hall, Begbroke Lane, Woodstock, OX5 1RQ
Thursday 11th April	Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School, Curbridge Rd, Witney, OX28 5JZ
Friday 12th April	Long Lane Primary School, Long Lane, Reading, RG31 6YG

Daily - 9am to 3.30pm. £30 per child per day. Sibling discount available.

Call a member of our team or visit our website for more details

To book, please go to the 'Science Holiday Camps' tab on our website, and click the 'Register Now' button. All bookings are processed through Active Network. Spaces are subject to availability.

Fun for children aged 5-11 yrs



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