



## At St. James & St. John, we are learning to be...

### ...TRAVELLERS!

(INTERNATIONAL WEEK; WHOLE SCHOOL; COMMUNITY; ASIA;  
CHINA; JAPAN; INDIA; INDONESIA; MONGOLIA; THAILAND;  
REVERENCE; JOY; FELLOWSHIP; TRUST)

What a successful week it has been!

International Week has seen our school travelling to Asia with our itinerary including stops in India, Thailand, Mongolia, China, Japan and Indonesia. It has been quite an expedition!

The Early Years had a great time exploring China with some wonderful work created using dragons as their inspiration.



Reception even went exploring at the

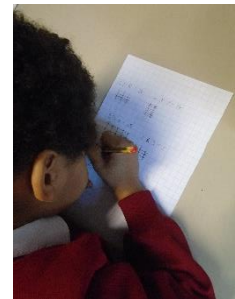


V&A Museum and discovered one of China's most treasured icons – the Giant Panda!

Art, and it would seem a whole lot of

joy, judging by the smiles on everyone's faces on their return, were the flavour of the day!

Japan was the destination for Year 1 and it seemed mathematical strategies were one of the discoveries that really got Year 1 excited!



The creation of Japanese fans also



got Year 1's little fingers working overtime as they created

beautiful designs with simple paper-folding techniques.

India saw joint visitors with Years 2 and 4 both taking time to disembark the StJStJ flight and explore the world's second most populous country.



Sampling the foods of India, Year 2 spent a lot of time looking at and



investigating the textures and flavours of many of the

ingredients used in Indian cuisine. They even learnt how to tie a sari.

Year 4 had a great week investigating the culture of India with a visit to the V&A

Museum and participation in a workshop



looking at patterns used within cultural art. Using this knowledge, they worked with Mrs Mitra to create beautiful Indian block prints.

Thailand was the destination for Year 3 and they began the week by visiting



a Thai temple in Wimbledon. They then used this

knowledge to learn a Thai dance and

prepare a Thai shadow puppet performance of which they should be very proud.

Year 5 landed in Mongolia and, with their intrepid

tour guide Misheel, learnt an immense



about one of the oldest existing countries to re-establish itself independently after invasion. From



statues to language to cooking to national dress to ancient games to dance to the preservation of

Mongolia's two endangered animals – the wild Bactrian camel and Przewalski's horse – Year 5 packed

their week with

creativity, splashings of joy and

real demonstrations of perseverance in learning to speak a new language!



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Meanwhile, Year 6 stopped off in



Indonesia and began their week with a Gamelan workshop that

looked as fun as it was interesting!

Who doesn't like making beautiful

noise? The

continued

their week

by

investigating



the Sumatran rainforests and the skills required to make Indonesian masks.

It has indeed been a truly wonderful week!

### ...DIPLOMATS!

(INTERNATIONAL WEEK; INTERNATIONAL DAY; INTERNATIONAL WEEK CELEBRATION; FOOD; PFA; ST JAMES'S SUSSEX GARDENS; FELLOWSHIP; REVERENCE; JOY; FELLOWSHIP; COMMUNITY)



end of week celebration at St.

James's Sussex Gardens. What a

truly special occasion it was as we

bore

witness to

the

amazing

diversity



of our community. Celebrating all

that makes us unique as a school and

as a community in the heart of

London, is truly something to behold

and for which we are incredibly

grateful. Thank you to all those who

contributed food to our International

Food stalls. What a truly wonderful

feast!

### ...GRATEFUL!

(GERMAN YMCA; VOLUNTEER; FELLOWSHIP; REVERENCE; TRUST; JOY)

A big thank you to Miss Wessel,

who, after being with us for two

terms, is leaving us to return to

Germany today. She has been a

HUGE addition to our school

community and we are very thankful

for all that she has brought and given

to us whilst she has been working

with us. We wish her all the best in

her future as a teacher back in

Germany.

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## SCHOOL TERM &amp; HOLIDAY DATES

## 2018/2019 ACADEMIC YEAR

Spring 2	
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2:55pm	Year 2 Collective Worship
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 School Journey to PGL

Summer 1	
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	INSET DAY – School closed to children
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	First day of the summer term
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Whole school Easter service at St John's Hyde Park 2pm
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May – Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	KS2 SATs week
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	PFA Quiz night
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	May Dance for Parents

**Half term holiday Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May –  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May**

Summer 2	
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	INSET DAY – School closed to children
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	PFA Pub evening at The Mitre
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Whole school Pentecost service at St James's Sussex Gardens 2pm
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	SPORTS AND FITNESS WEEK

Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June – Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 School Journey to Sayers Croft
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	PFA Summer Fair
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents' evening drop in
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Year Music Concert for Parents
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers' service at St James's Sussex Gardens
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	End of Year Celebration and Prize giving at St John's Hyde Park
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Last Day of the school year – school closes to children at 1:30pm