



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

Friday 15th May 2026

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, children in Year 6 have been taking some tests to assess their preparation for secondary school. Assessments are an important part of school life and the children were pleased to be able to show off their learning. Year 6 showed our Christian values of 'determination', 'inspiration' and 'excellence' throughout the week and we are very proud of their efforts. Thank you to the rest of the school for showing our Christian value of 'community' by supporting Year 6 this week.

With best wishes, **Mr Evans (Head of School)** and **Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)**

## School Uniform at St. James and St. John...

We have looked at ways to keep our uniform affordable for parents while continuing to maintain our smart St. James and St. John identity.

### School Uniform for Children in Nursery and Reception...

From September, for children in Nursery and Reception only, we are pleased to be moving to a plain white short-sleeve polo shirt (with a collar) without a logo, which more closely matches the white shirt that Y1-Y6 wear and gives parents the choice of where they buy these. Many stores, including supermarkets, provide 100% cotton plain white short-sleeve polo shirts at low cost, which some parents have asked for. These must be plain with no branded logos, and can be purchased from a range of high street shops.



Children in Reception will also wear the yellow PE T-shirt (see photo below) with the school logo for their PE lessons.

### School Uniform for Children in Year 1 to Year 6...

For children in Year 1 to Year 6, there is **no change**. Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will continue to wear the following 3 items of our school uniform with the school logo to school:

1. **Maroon V-neck Sweatshirt** with the school logo OR **Maroon Cardigan** with the school logo
2. **Yellow PE T-shirt** with the school logo (Reception to Year Six)
3. **Maroon Bookbag** with the school logo



These 3 items with the school logo can be ordered from the website of our uniform provider,  
**Schoolwear Inc.**

Click on this link to take you to the uniform shop [St James & St John Primary School | Schoolwear Inc](http://St James & St John Primary School | Schoolwear Inc)

Children in Year 1 to Year 6 will also continue to wear a **plain white school shirt**. Many supermarkets and high street shops, including John Lewis, Primark, Tesco, M&S, sell these at reasonably low prices.

I have received and read the St James and St John CE Primary School newsletter of **15.05.2026**

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

## Attendance...

Congratulations to **Y6** for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** this week. **ALL Y6** pupils came to school every day and really showed the school value of **Community** by helping their class to have the best attendance, this week. **James** and **John** (our attendance bears) will come and stay with **Y6** for the whole of next week :)

Please make sure your child is in school every single day this term unless they are too unwell to come to school. Thank you for your help with this :)



## Important Dates for your Diary...

**Friday 22nd May** - Parent Information Coffee Morning: *How do we teach Relationships, Health and Sex Education?* - 9:00am in Main Hall

**Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May** - Half Term

**Friday 19th June** - EYFS/KS1 Music Concert - 10:00am in Main Hall

**Friday 19th June** - KS2 Music Concert - 2:15pm in Main Hall

**Thursday 25th June** - Sports Day - at Paddington Rec.

**Friday 26th June** - Non Uniform Day

**Friday 3rd July** - Family BBQ - 4:00-6:00pm

**Wednesday 8th July** - Y6 Production

**Friday 10th July** - Academic Review Day

**Friday 17th July** - Last day of summer term

## Our Prayer of the week...

*Excellence is one of our 9 Christian Values..*

Dear Lord,

We thank you for examples of ways we can be excellent

We ask that you can help to put the feeling into our hearts.

Going forward, we will do better and be

better than we did the day before.

Not necessarily winning, but always striving for excellence in all that we do.

Amen



## Curriculum Presentations to Parents - all parents welcome to join!

**Wednesday 20th May:**

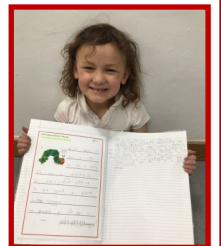
9:15am - Year 1

2:45pm - Year 2



## Work of the Week!

Every week a brilliant piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office). This week's brilliant piece of work is by Ripley in Reception.

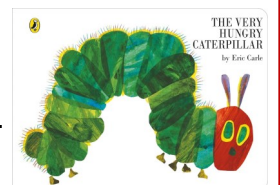


This week in English, Reception have been reading *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* by Eric Carle and learning to retell the story using key vocabulary and repeated story language.

Ripley showed excellent understanding of the sequence of the story and confidently retold what happened throughout the week. She carefully remembered important events, including the tiny egg on the leaf, the caterpillar hatching, eating different foods each day, and finally turning into a beautiful butterfly.

Ripley used her phonics knowledge to sound out and write words independently, and worked hard to include key story vocabulary in her sentences.

**Well done, Ripley!**



## Person of the Week!

**Nursery** - Ben

**Reception** - Alexander

**Year 1** - Gabi

**Year 2** - Daniil

**Year 3** - Olivia

**Year 4** - Amir

**Year 5** - Anosh

**Year 6** - Max



## Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mr. Evans or Mr. Peters.

**We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**





# CRICKET COACHING PROGRAMME

## SUMMER HALF TERM

TUESDAY 26th MAY 2026: 10am-3pm

@ GREY COAT HOSPITAL SCHOOL, REGENCY STREET (ST MICHAEL'S SITE), PIMLICO, SW1P 4GH

WEDNESDAY 27th MAY 2026: 10am-3pm

@ GREY COAT HOSPITAL SCHOOL, REGENCY STREET (ST MICHAEL'S SITE), PIMLICO, SW1P 4GH

THURSDAY 28th MAY 2026: 10am-3pm

@ Westminster City School, Palace Street, Victoria, SW1E 5HJ



# PLATFORM

Supporting young people to progress  
through and in cricket



## IS THIS COACHING PROGRAMME FOR YOU?

This course is appropriate for any child in school years 3 to 7.

Children will experience cricket in a fun, safe and progressive environment, building on their development at an appropriate rate.

Both beginners and children who have experienced cricket before are welcome.

## DETAILS

- **COST:** These courses are Free of Charge
- **PLACES:** Allocated to the first 30 respondents on a first come-first serve basis (some places are reserved for children eligible for means-tested Free School Meals)
- **AGES:** 7-12 Years Old
- **LUNCHES & REFRESHMENT:** Parents/Guardians will need to provide a packed lunch and any refreshment
- **CLOTHING & EQUIPMENT:** Regular sports kit & trainers (non-marking soles)

## THE COACHES

### LEAD: JAHID AHMED



Jahid Ahmed is a former Essex seam bowler who has worked extensively in youth cricket. He is one of an exclusive group of Level 3 coaches, he has led the development of junior cricket in East London and he is a fast bowling and high performance coach with Kent CCC.

### OTHER COACHES INCLUDE:

Matt Golding (current Minor County Cricketer; Level 2 Coach), Jonathan Rodda (Club Youth Lead; Level 2 Coach), Matt Stiddard (London Schools U14 Lead; Level 2 Coach), Nikhil Nomula (Middlesex Youth; Level 3 Coach).



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**TO BOOK YOUR PLACE OR TO DISCUSS ANY ASPECT OF THE COURSE  
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