

St Clement & St James CE Primary School



Newsletter - Friday 1 February 2019

Dear parents and carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable week. Thank you to all those parents who attended the Parent Gym taster session on Thursday. We hope you will sign up for the six free workshops on offer. They will undoubtedly help you with a range of parenting needs as well as having a chance to meet and share ideas with fellow parents.

This week, Miss Smith's collective worship sensitively focused on the Holocaust Memorial - 27 January. The children were encouraged to remember the importance of valuing others for their differences and celebrating these at every opportunity.

Well done to Year 4 for their wonderful poetry performance of 'Green Eggs and Ham' by Dr. Seuss. The children demonstrated an enthusiastic and genuine love for poetry recital.

Please remember to ensure that your child is at school on time and every day. Research shows that consistent absenteeism hugely affects children's progress and attendance. If your child is repeatedly unwell, please let us know what we can do to help. Nadine Powell is our school nurse and she is more than happy to meet with you if you need advice.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best wishes, Ellie and Sarah

Wednesday Poetry Assemblies - All parents and carers invited!

Every Wednesday afternoon, children from each year group will perform a poem that they have been learning and we would like to invite parents and carers to join us for these assemblies. This week Year 4 recited the poem 'Green Eggs and Ham' by Dr Seuss. Thank you to all parents and carers who were able to attend.

Dates and year groups for poetry assemblies are as follows:

Year 1: 6 February
Year 2: 13 February



CERTIFICATES THIS WEEK

Congratulations to the following children who demonstrated excellent behaviour or learning this week:

Early Years	Karina
Unit	Ardit
Year 1	Sebastian Houd
Year 2	Benyamin Caleb
Year 3	Henos Alima
Year 4	Isaiah Jomari
Year 5	Faris Apryll
Year 6	Jovan Blane

Top Table

These children have shown good manners at lunchtime and will be a guest on Top Table next Friday.

Year 1	Sarah
Year 2	Benyamin
Year 3	Israa
Year 4	Zayne
Year 5	Nadeen
Year 6	Ayoub

PARENT BUILDING MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTION



If you have not yet paid your contribution, why not spread your payments over the year with a standing order for £7.50 a quarter? It's easier for you and for us. Standing order forms are available from the school office, or if you use on-line banking you can set up a standing order yourself, but please let us know that you have done so. This is a very important payment that helps the school immensely.

Attendance and Punctuality

	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance	60%	91.5%	97.5%	97.2%	91%	95.9%	89.3%
Punctuality	10	2	4	7	3	8	2

Year 2 had the highest attendance with 97.5%.

Years 1 & 6 had the lowest number of lates this week but we all need to work much harder.

Year 2 are working on an art project with Miss Pelly and Sherine Osserian. Sherine is a community based artist who is working with the children to create a collection of nature based artwork. The children have produced some beautiful watercolour paintings!



****REMINDER****

We are a nut free school. This includes snacks for after school club. Recently we have had children bringing chocolate bars which contain nuts in to school. This is very dangerous for some of our children who have severe nut allergies, even being next to someone eating a nut product can cause an anaphylactic shock. Please be mindful of this.

Our playcentre provider P3 is running a Half Term playcentre at Avondale Park School. Pre Registration will be on Friday 1 Feb between 4-5.30pm at Avondale Park School OR at The Rugby Portobello Trust, 221 Walmer Road W11 on Saturday 9 February between 1.30-4.30pm

Year 5 Parents!

Please return your child's permission slip for Wick Court Farm to the school office.

Payments can be made via the School Gateway app. The first payment is due now and future payments can be made in instalments of £30. You can also pay instalments in advance should you wish to do so.

Full payment must be received by Monday 13 May.

Early Years Unit parents & carers

Reminder that the Early Years Unit day runs at the same times as the main school.

Children should arrive for school no later than 8.55am and should be collected at 3.30pm. If your child arrives after 8.55am you will be asked to wait with them in the school office until a member of Early Years staff is available to come over and collect them.

Dates for your diary



Mon 18 - Fri 22 Feb - Half Term

Wed 6 Mar - 2.30pm Ash Service at St James Norland Church. All parents and carers welcome

Mon 8 - Fri 19 Apr - Easter Holidays

Mon 22 Apr - Easter Monday (school closed)



Parent Gym is a course of six workshops that will give parents and carers practical tips and techniques to make family life easier and help your children to thrive. It is rooted in scientific research and is also a great chance to meet and chat with other parents and carers. If you liked the taster session you can sign up for free workshops that will start on 7 February in school.