

## Year 3 Newsletter: Spring Term, Week 10

### This week in Year 3

It has been another very busy week here at St James!

Firstly, thank you to all of you who were able to come along this morning to watch the children perform Shakespeare's *As You Like It*. The class have worked hard over the last few weeks to learn their lines and cues, and they really enjoyed performing it for the rest of the school on Wednesday, and especially to you this morning. As the Shakespeare Festival has been taking place throughout the week, we have also been treated to performances by other classes, including *The Tempest*, *Much Ado About Nothing*, and *Romeo and Juliet*.

Luckily, the weather was fine yesterday as we spent the day out at Mountfitchet Castle. The whole class have loved learning about the Norman Conquest of England this term, so it was a wonderful place to visit before breaking up for Easter.

In English this week, the children have had a lot of fun drafting persuasive letters to various authors, requesting they write another book, or come to visit our school to do an assembly!



Year 3 after their dress rehearsal of *As You Like It*

## Things to Remember

- We are looking forward to welcoming parents into our classroom on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March for a Book Look, from 8:15am to 9am. If you have children in different classes in the Upper School, staff will be on hand to escort you around so that you can see all of your children's brilliant work.
- On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March, parents of children in Years 3, 4 and 5 are invited to a meeting to introduce our upcoming and exciting Digital Transformation. This will be rolled out from September to children currently in these year groups to start with, and this meeting is an opportunity to give you an initial overview of the initiative. The meeting will take place at 9am, straight after the Book Look; please wait in the main reception area, and you will be taken to the meeting room.
- Please remember to book places (maximum of 2 per family) for Grandparents' and Friends' Morning on the last day of term, Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March - <https://stjamesjunior.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

As part of Grandparents' Morning, we will be holding our annual Easter Hat Parade. The children are invited to make an Easter-themed hat or headdress to wear on the day. As we are an eco-friendly school, we would like the children to reuse or upcycle items for their creations. Children must still wear full school uniform and bring their hats in on the day. (If their hats are ready in advance, they can bring them in on Monday or Tuesday for safe-keeping.) As this is a fundraising event, please bring £1.

A bake sale will take place after the parade, in the courtyard, where monies raised will be shared between the three charities St James Prep supports: The Daisy Trust, Rossholme School in Kenya, and St Vincent's School for the Sensory Impaired and Other Needs.

- Spelling words this week - words in ending '-ly' (where the base ends in '-ic')

basically  
frantically  
logically  
tragically  
magically  
publicly  
dramatically  
historically  
automatically  
specifically

