



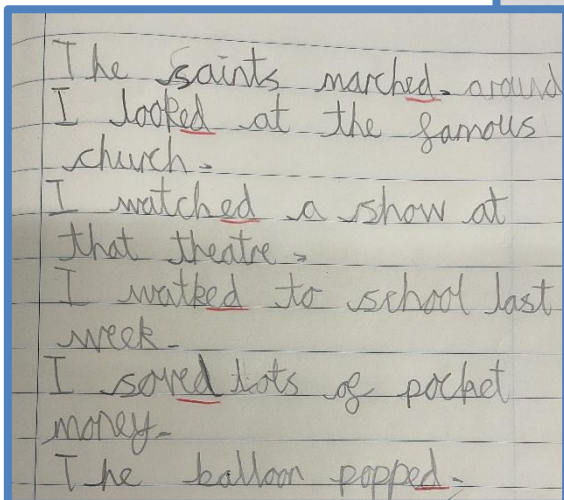
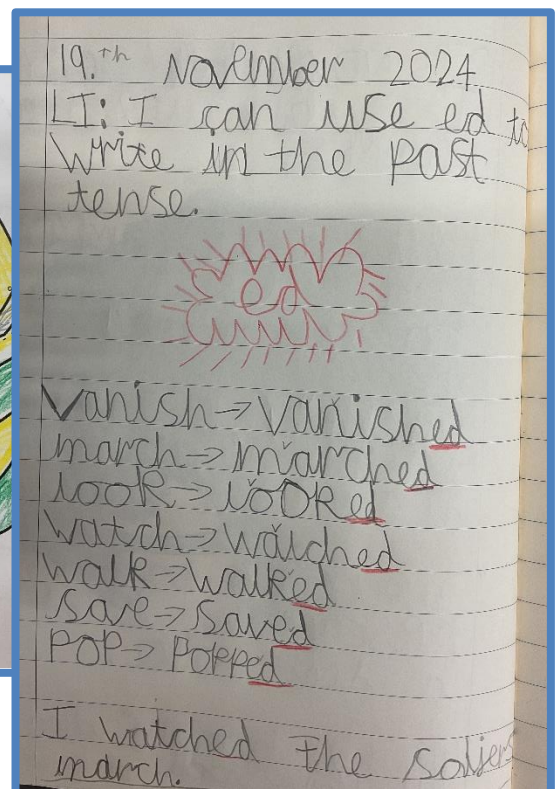
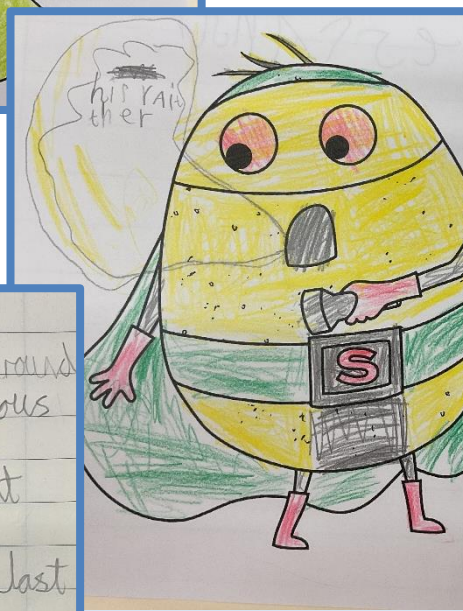
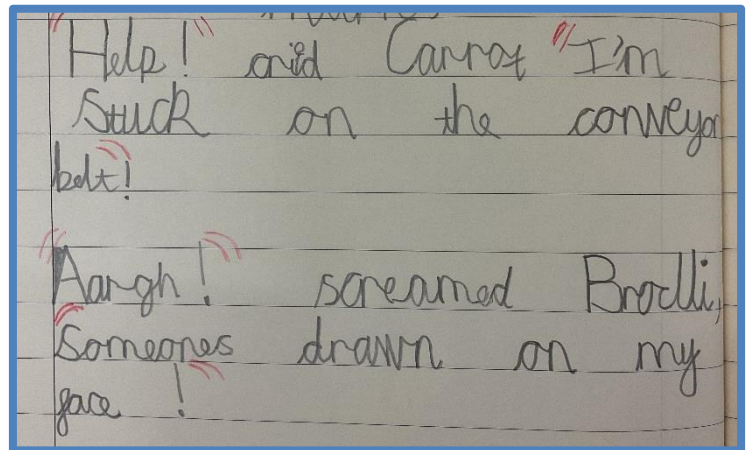
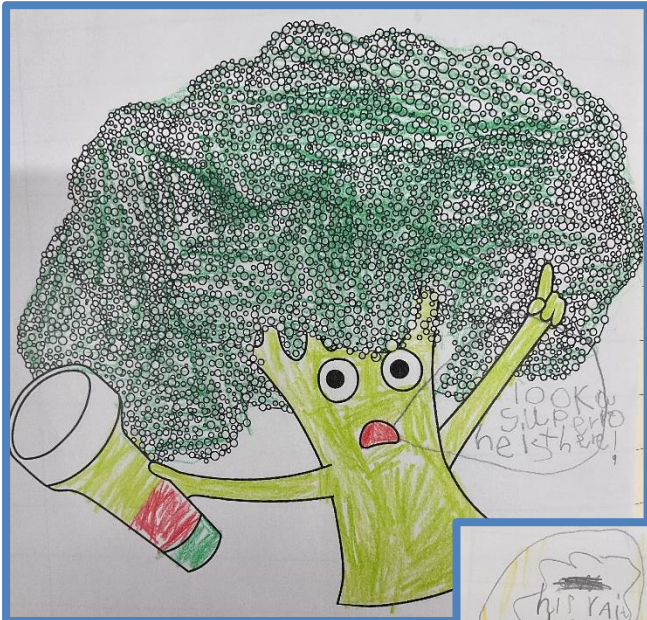
# ST JAMES

Preparatory School

## Year 2 Newsletter: Autumn Term, Week 10

### What have we explored this week?

We continue to use 'Supertato' as inspiration for our English lessons. We have had to keep an eye out for Evil Pea, of course! Using this book, we have created our own character speech bubbles, introduced speech marks, and focused on writing in the past tense. All these grammatical skills will enrich our creative writing, making us stronger writers! Take a look at these super pieces of work!



In Geography this half term we are training as cartographers! We started by learning the importance of understanding and reading a compass. The little rhyme, 'Naughty Elephants Spray Water' helps us to remember the position of North, East, South and West. Of course we had to make our own treasure maps. Everyone knows that the best treasure comes from really old-looking maps so we used tea bags to stain our maps for added effect!



## Things to remember

- The Christmas Market is on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 12pm to 4pm.
- The next Performance Tea is on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December. You can sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/e/KtR46pZ8ac>
- The Nativity performances for parents are on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December and Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 9am. Tickets can be booked here: <https://stjamesjunior.schoolcloud.co.uk/>
- Book Look is on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December from 8am until 8:45am.
- If you have not yet connected to your child's ClassDojo account, please follow the link below:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=class&class=CWNXFBP>

As well as being a way of enabling quick communication between home and school, ClassDojo is used to award and tally house points, so you will be able to see when your child receives a house point and what it is for!

**You do not need to sign up for the paid 'Plus' version of Class Dojo.**

- The Christmas Carol Service is on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at St Mary's Kensington at 9:15am. There will be refreshments for parents in the Courtyard from 8:15am. Children to be in full school uniform, please.
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December is also Christmas Lunch. Children are welcome to bring in Christmas jumpers and hats to wear after the Carol Service.
- Term ends at 11:30am on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December.
- Children and staff have been asked to make 500 Christmas cards for our Under One Sky homeless friends. It does not matter whether the cards are hand-made or store bought, as it will be the messages inside that count. Please may the salutation read, Dear Friend, followed by a positive message of hope and peace - and closing of a first name. Completed cards should please be returned to class teachers by Monday, 9 December.
- Children need to play 2 x 5 minute sessions per week on Times Tables Rock Stars on "garage mode".
- As we move into colder and wetter weather, please ensure your child has a raincoat at school every day.
- If you have any questions or would like to inform me of anything, please do not hesitate to contact me via the office ([office@stjamesprep.co.uk](mailto:office@stjamesprep.co.uk)) or at the end of the day.