



ST JAMES

Preparatory School

Year 6 Newsletter: Autumn, Week 8

What have we explored this week?

It has been a great first week back for Year 6! We began the week investigating the inventions of World War One, including tanks and fighter planes.

On Tuesday, the children participated in some wonderfully calming candlelit yoga - we were all very relaxed and well-stretched afterwards!

Wednesday saw the pupils as perfect role models: whether they were leading tours, giving speeches or assisting in the younger years, each and every one of them astounded the staff of St James as well as potential new parents!

On Thursday, we continued with our revision of key topics in the upcoming 11+ exams and on Friday, we discussed the different ways we can all celebrate differences in each other, our communities and the world!



Things to Remember

- We are pleased to be launching ClassDojo for parents as a way of enabling quick communication between home and school. Please do read Mrs Wyatt's newsletter which has specific guidance about when to use ClassDojo to communicate and when an email to the school office is more appropriate. To connect to your child's ClassDojo account, please follow the link below:

<https://www.classdojo.com/ul/p/addKid?target=class&class=CHBP987>

ClassDojo is also used to award and tally house points, so you will now be able to see when your child receives a house point and what it is for!

- **Parent Teacher Interviews (PTIs):** You have the opportunity to book a 20-minute meeting with Miss Simmons to discuss your child's progress so far this term. Year 6's meetings are being held on Wednesday 20th November. Please book your appointment if you haven't already on SchoolCloud via this link: <https://stjamesjunior.schoolcloud.co.uk/>
- Children must bring their blazers on Fridays.
- There will be no swimming for Year 6 (until the **Spring Term**).
- We look forward to meeting you to discuss 11+ schools; please ensure you have booked an appointment through Mrs Clark.
- **Tuesday 12th November 8:30am-9am:** Parent meeting about Year 6 Residential Trip
- We are all excited for Feel Good Friday on **Friday 15th November**. It will be all based on the theme of Buddies! We will spend some time together during the day, including lunch, playtime and a fun craft challenge. Additionally, we would invite the children to come to school wearing **odd socks** on this day! This will help us to celebrate difference - a theme we have been looking at in our PSHEE lessons. This will be a fabulous conclusion to our Anti-Bullying week.
- **Monday 18th November:** Year 6 Trip to *Imperial War Museum*. Details will be sent next week.
- We are excited for our Year 6 girls to visit the Senior Girls' School on Friday 15 November and experience senior level music and science lessons, having enjoyed breakfast refreshments with the Head, Ms Bell. No change to the normal timings of the school day.