



ST JAMES

Preparatory School

Year 6 Newsletter: Autumn, Week 12

What have we explored this week?

The week has been challenging for Year 6, with children out and about for exams each day. We are incredibly proud of the dedication and resilience each and every one of them has shown.

In History, we explored the life of Walter Tull who fought in World War One. The children wrote powerful biographies about the adversity he faced in childhood, as a footballer and as the first black military officer. In gym this week, the children learned some dance moves from the 1990s; we then had a go at moving in unison to the Spice Girls. To practise our creative comprehension skills, on Wednesday the children began to create maps based on the information given in a holiday letter.

Next week, we will be continuing revision for those still with exams, as well as getting into the Christmas mood with singing and crafts.



Things to Remember

- Book Look is on Monday 9th 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=CHBP987>

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.

- **Wednesday 11th December is Christmas Lunch.** Children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers on that day and bring in hats to wear for lunch.
- The Christmas Carol Service is on Thursday 12th 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.
- Term ends at 11:30am on Friday 13th 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. The salutation should read, 'Dear Friend,' followed by a positive message of hope and peace - and close with a first name. Completed cards should please be returned to class teachers by Monday 9th December, please.
- Children must bring their blazers on Fridays.
- There will be no swimming for Year 6 (until the **Spring Term**).