



# ST JAMES

Preparatory School

## Nursery Newsletter: Spring Term, Week 7

### What have we explored this week?

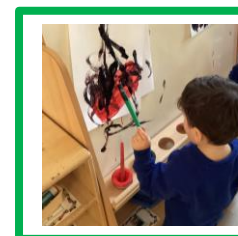
Welcome back! back! We hope you all had a wonderful break. From all the exciting stories we've been hearing, it sounds like there was plenty of fun over the holidays.

Grandparents' Afternoon before half term was truly magical! The children performed "Head, Shoulders, Knees and Toes" with such enthusiasm, and having the grandparents join in made the moment even more special. Well done to all the children for their fantastic effort and energy—it was a heartwarming afternoon to remember!

The Nursery has been alive with the chorus of "Run, run as fast as you can!" as the Nursery children continued their learning of the Gingerbread Man. Their excitement reached new heights when they acted out their own version of the story during our Forest School session. It was incredible to see their imagination come to life as budding actors, bringing their own creative twists to the classic tale!

This half term, we have started a new topic on transport and this week we focused on buses. The children have loved painting buses, singing "The

Wheels on the Bus," and even using the chairs in the Nursery to create their own bus. If you're looking for something fun to do this weekend, why not take a ride on a bus to help complete your child's learning?



## What are the teachers doing this weekend?

Miss Tajeddin is going out for breakfast

Miss Fortune is going on an Uber boat

Miss Robertson is cooking Sunday lunch for friends

Miss Tsurkan is going to a lent celebration

## Gingerbread Man Recipe

We hope you all enjoyed the lovely gingerbread men the children made before half term. Here is the recipe should you wish to make some at home.

- 225g [plain flour](#)
- 2tsp [bicarbonate of soda](#)
- [ground ginger to taste](#)
- 75g [unsalted butter](#)
- 100g [soft brown sugar](#)
- 100g [golden syrup](#)

Heat oven to 190C/170C fan/gas 5 and line a [baking tray](#) with baking parchment. Sieve the flour, salt, bicarb, ginger into a bowl. Heat the butter, sugar and syrup until dissolved. Leave the sugar mixture to cool slightly, then mix into the dry ingredients to form a dough.

On a surface lightly dusted with flour, roll out the dough to a ¼-inch thickness. Stamp out the gingerbread men shapes with a cutter. Place your gingerbread shapes on the trays, allowing space for them to spread. Cook for 10-15 mins, then remove from the oven and leave to cool.

## Song of the week:

### The Wheels on the Bus

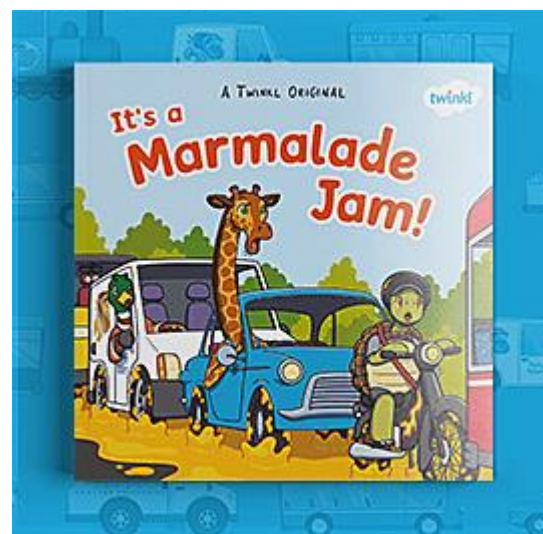


A fun version of the song including the words can be found by using link below.

[The wheels on the bus - BBC Teach](#)

## Book of the week:

### Marmalade Jam



## Things to remember

- Save the Date: On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March you are all invited to attend a coffee morning in the Nursery. This is an opportunity for you to come in with your child and play for a while as well as chatting to other parents and staff. Please feel free to drop in any time between 9 and 10am.
- Save the Date: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March is one of our favourite days of the year, World Book Day. Please help your child pick out their favourite character from a book and prepare a costume over the weekend ready to come to Nursery dressed up on Thursday. We look forward to seeing a whole host of different characters on Thursday.
- Many apologies for the late dissemination of the home learning packs. You should all have received your them this week. If you have not received your pack or if you have any questions please speak to a member of the Nursery team.
- For anyone who has younger children, there is now a Mini Montessori club being held in the Nursery from 9-10am on Thursday mornings. This is lovely opportunity for younger children to begin experiencing a Nursery environment. The club is open to all preschoolers. Send enquiries to [hello@tuttifruttnest.com](mailto:hello@tuttifruttnest.com) or us the link to book a place <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/db/585232>
- Thank you to everyone for bearing with us as we get used to Class Dojo as a form of communication. We hope you agree it has proved really useful so far as a means of communicating day to day information about Nursery life. Please be reminded that any other matters, such as school absence, must continue to be communicated via the school office. The email address for the school office is:  
  
**office@stjamesprep.co.uk**
- Friday is Library day. Your child will bring home a library book. Please return the book each Friday so your child can choose a new book.
- If your child is still in nappies please remember to bring in a large pack of tabs nappies. Whilst we hold a few spares in case of emergencies nappies are not supplied by the Nursery.
- Unfortunately, with the time of year comes the inevitable winter bugs. Please note that if you child has diarrhoea or vomiting, they need to be kept at home for 48 hours. This is important to prevent the spreading of viruses and is both NHS and school policy.

# Pictures from the Week!

