



ST JAMES

Preparatory School

Nursery Newsletter: Summer Term, Week 7

What have we explored this week?



Welcome back everyone! We hope you all had an amazing half-term break filled with fun and relaxation. The children have been so happy to return to Nursery, and it's been wonderful to see their smiles as they reunite with their friends and settle back into their routines.



We got the week off to a noisy start as we headed to Forest School, where we made instruments from natural materials. The children loved creating their own unique sounds and we finished with a lively sing-along, with the most requested song being "Jingle Bells", a festive favourite, even out of season! It was wonderful to see everyone so engaged and enjoying the outdoors while exploring their creativity together.



The theme of musical instruments has continued throughout the week, as the children explored rhythm and timing using shakers. They enjoyed experimenting with different beats and patterns, developing their listening skills and sense of coordination in a fun and interactive way.



The children are really enjoying our new topic of People and Communities. Beginning by exploring our own community, they have loved taking on roles such as doctors, builders, and postal workers. The highlight of the week was creating houses out of recyclable materials, sparking their creativity and teamwork as they learned about the places and people around them.



What are the teachers doing this weekend?

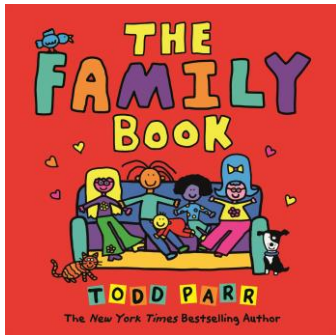
Miss Tajeddin is having a guest for the weekend

Miss Fortune is seeing friends

Miss Tsurkan is going for a walk in the park

Miss Robertson is going to host a dinner party

Book of the week: The Family Book



Song of the week:



www.youtube.com/watch?v=HP6WhpHDByw

International Week - 9th - 13th June

St James will be celebrating our diverse community next week as each class learns about a country during International Week. Our school has children, parents and staff from all over the world and we want to share our cultures, languages, history and stories with each other!

Each class has chosen a country to learn about and will be completing activities connected to that country in their History and Geography time.

The Nursery will be learning about a different country in Europe each day. We will learn how to say hello, learn a little about the country and complete an activity about the country's customs.

We will be covering the following countries:

- Italy
- France
- Ukraine
- Austria

If you have connections with one of the countries, we would love for your child to bring something in from that country to show their friends.

On Friday 13th June, the school are invited to dress in non-uniform in a way connected to a country of their choice - it could be national dress, a sports kit or the colours of a flag - they can decide!

We hope it is a wonderful international celebration!

Things to remember

- Parent Teacher Interviews (PTIs): You have the opportunity to book a 20-minute meeting with Miss Tajeddin to discuss your child's progress so far this term. Nursery's meetings are being held on **Thursday 12th June**. Please book your appointment if you haven't already on SchoolCloud via this link: <https://stjamesjunior.schoolcloud.co.uk/>
- On Tuesday 17th June from 9-10am we are looking forward to holding the Nursery Sports Day. This will be a fun event when the children will partake in various traditional races and parents are invited to come and spectate. The races will be followed by coffee and biscuits in the Nursery for anyone who wishes to share in a snack time with our budding sports stars! Further details will be announced nearer the time but please save the date!
- This term, St James fundraising efforts will be focused on supporting Masibambane College: [Masibambane College & Community Center.docx](#)
We hope to raise enough funds to purchase a Jojo water tank for this school in South-Africa.
On Monday 16th June the Early Years children, both Nursery and Reception, will take part in a sponsored walk. The children will walk, as a group, five times round the Marcus Garvey park. They will finish with a celebratory snack time altogether. On Monday we will send home a sponsorship form. Please help your child to get lots of sponsors, either sponsoring an amount per circuit of the park or a total amount for participation. Once the event is complete please collect the money and bring it in with the completed sponsorship form and hand to a member of the Nursery team Friday 20th June. Thank you for your support.
- Now the summer term is here the children all need to be wearing the St James **Summer Uniform**. For the Nursery children this consists of:
 - a school polo shirt
 - navy blue shorts or school skort
 - the school sweatshirt if it is a cold day
 - a white school summer cap
 - white socks for girls and navy blue for boys
 - trainersThe children should not come in sandals. The children are very active at Nursery and sandals represent a trip hazard and provide no protection for the children's toes.
- With the warm weather we are getting outside as much as possible. It is very important all families please apply sunscreen to their child before coming to school. Due to possible allergies the school is not able to provide a generic sunscreen for everyone. However, if your child is staying all day, and you would like sunscreen reapplied in the afternoon, please put a named bottle of sunscreen in your child's bag and make a member of the Nursery team aware when you drop off.
- Now we are blessed with this wonderful warm weather it is more important than ever that the children drink plenty of water. Please make sure you send your child in with a *named* water bottle every day.

Pictures from the Week!

