



ST JAMES

Preparatory School

Year 5 Newsletter: Summer Term, Week 8

This week in Year 5

Thank you to everyone who was able to come in yesterday for the parent-teacher interviews. It was lovely to speak to each of you about the wonderful progress your children have made throughout the year.

The children are continuing to work hard every day with 11+ preparation in mind. Ms Foster is now holding an 11+ 'Drop-in Surgery' on Wednesday lunchtimes, which a few children have already taken advantage of. Most of the class already attend 11+ Club after school on a Monday and/or have access to Atom Home, and there is often optional extra homework available online. It has been really pleasing to see how readily the children are engaging with their learning, and how many are going above and beyond to do their absolute best.

Having missed last week at Games due to the inclement weather, the children particularly enjoyed going out to play cricket on Thursday afternoon. The weather was great, and each team managed to get through two matches.

Friday was particularly busy: in the morning, the class split into two groups for their final cookery session of the year. It was also the culmination of International Week! The children looked fantastic in their various outfits and some of them were able to share the presentations that they had prepared. (Anyone who wasn't able to present will be able to share their work on Monday or Tuesday next week.)



Ayana, Maurice and Daniel sharing their presentations on Sri Lanka, Switzerland and Poland, respectively.

Things to Remember

- The Swimming Gala is on **Monday 23rd June** at 1pm at Fulham Pools. Children can be collected from the pool at 3pm or can come back to school with the class.
- House Cricket is on **Thursday 24th June** 1:30pm to 3pm at King's House.
- You are invited to the **Sanskrit Speech competition** on Thursday 26th June in the Assembly Hall on the second floor. Please sign up here if you would like to attend: <https://forms.office.com/e/huGQFu7dxn>

Part 1: 9am to approximately 9.50am for Nursery, Reception and Years 1, 2 and 3

Part 2: 10.20am to approximately 11.10am for Years 4, 5 and 6

Part 3: 11.15am to approximately 11.55am for Years 7, 8 and 9

You are welcome to attend one, two, or all three parts, but are asked to remain in the Assembly Hall until the end of the part you are attending. Refreshments will be served from approximately 9.50am to 10.20am.

- Sports Day is on **Friday 27th June** at Linford Christie Stadium (W12 ODF). Please bring your child straight to the venue for registration at 8:30am. The event will finish at 12pm and all children need to be collected from the venue.
- Moving Up Morning is on **Monday 30th June**. Children will find out who their new teacher for September will be and will spend time with them in their new classrooms. Parents will receive details on the same day.
- Speech Day is on **Thursday 3rd July** at the Royal Geographical Society. Please bring your child straight to the venue for registration at 9:30am. The event will finish at approximately 11:30am and all children need to be collected from the venue.
- **Summer Sunflower Growing Competition**
Every child in Nursery to Year 6 has received a sunflower seed. Please help your child plant their seed and remind them to water it during the summer holiday. When the sunflower is at its prime, please take a photo of it and upload this to ClassDojo. Judging of the photos (only) will take place the first week back in September. Happy growing!
 - 1st Place Winners: Gold Green Thumb certificate & 200HPs
 - 2nd Place Winners: Silver Green Thumb certificate & 100HPs
 - 3rd Place Winners: Bronze Green Thumb certificate & 50HPs
- We regularly use Atom in school and for homework. If you wish to complete additional work with your child beyond how much school has set or take mock 11+ assessments then please do feel free to purchase an Atom Home account. Please find a discount code below.

Atom Home discount code - **MAYHT25** - 20% off the first month, in addition to a 5 day free trial, as long as this is redeemed by the 8th June.