



St James the Great Newsletter

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**12th January
2018**

January

19th Girls U11
Surrey cup qtr
final 1.30 kick off

Boys U10 Surrey
cup qtr final 2.30
kick off

26th Boys U11
Surrey cup qtr
final 2.00 kick off

February

6th Safer Internet
Day

8th Chinese
Roadshow

9th School Closed –
INSED

12-16 Half term

19-23 Penitential
week

March

9th Mothers Day
Tea

29th Break up at 2
pm

The week has passed by in a flash, and the children have been working extremely hard to get back into the swing of things. The wet weather has hindered their playtimes a bit, but hopefully, better weather will be on the way. Please can you ensure that you send your child in with a coat, as this enables us to get them outside even when it is a little bit damp to get a run around and some fresh air.

Year 3 went to Wimbledon to see the panto. They had a great time and really got into the spirit of it...although I think the ice creams were a high point too!

Year 1 went to the Dulwich Picture Gallery for a workshop and learnt a great deal about the work of Tove Jansson.

Class 4.3 went to Mass at St Andrew's on Thursday.

Today saw a representative from the music company Soundsteps come in to advertise their keyboard lessons which are held at the school. There should be a flyer in all of the children's bags. There will also be demonstrations for parent next Thursday in the Main Hall at 3.30pm and 5.00 pm.

You will have noticed the police taking an active role in helping me to keep your children safe and address concerns from local residents. I am hopeful that we can work with the council to make Windsor Rd safer. The officers were very impressed with our children and commented upon their manners and politeness.

If you have a child in Rec, Year 1 or 2, please can I ask that your child has a school lunch on Thursday as this is National Census day and we get funding for every child of these age ranges who has a lunch on this day.

Some polite and gentle reminders.

Please can you make sure that your child is in school ready to start by 9am...school has not started at 9.15 for some time now. It is embarrassing and unfair on your child to have to enter class late repeatedly. It is also difficult for us to monitor who is in and what type of lunch they are having, which is why I ask people who are late to go to the office.

Whilst I have relaxed the rules on hairstyles, it appears that some boys are coming in with greater degrees of stepped cuts, and some girls with very evident extensions (some of differing colours) please can you ensure that your child complies with the uniform policy regarding this and also their clothing. If there is an issue with their coat, please send a note in. Similarly, no boots should be worn and any accessories such as hairbands, hat and scarves should be dark blue.

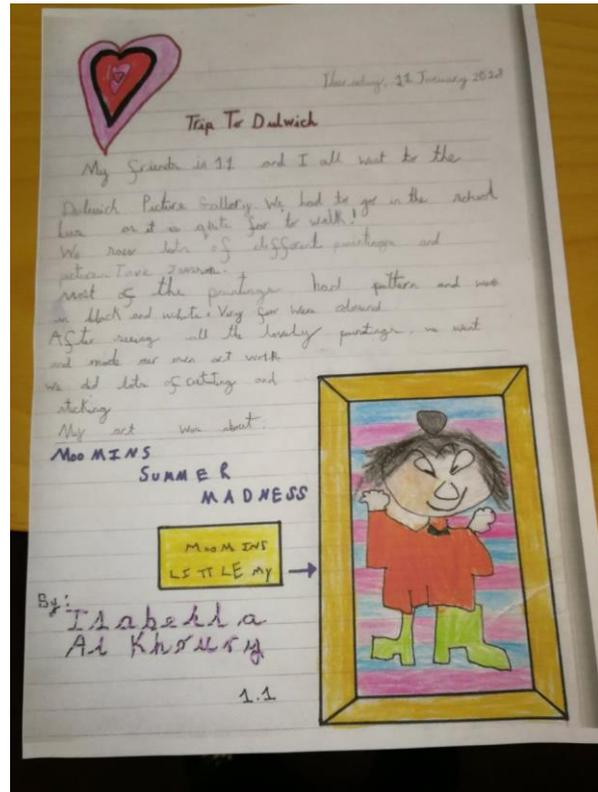
Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.



Year 1 at Dulwich Picture Gallery



Soundsteps



Great work by Isabella in Year1

FINALLY...Goodbye, thank you and good luck Mrs Spinks. We will greatly miss her, she does so much behind the scenes that helps to make the school run smoothly, whether it is fixing things, operating the lights at performances, scoring at sports days, locking up the school and responding to alarms or one of the million and one other things that she does that isn't in her job specification. She has given 21 years of service to the school and gone well beyond what could reasonably be expected. Thank you Mrs Spinks and we hope to see you back soon.