



St James the Great Newsletter

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2nd February
2018

February

6th Safer
Internet Day

Yr 3 Hobgoblin

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

Apologies for the lack of a Newsletter for the past couple of weeks but things have been a bit manic at school.

Very sadly we heard that Fr John, from St Andrew's parish, unexpectedly passed away yesterday. Please keep him and all his family and friends in your prayers.

This week Year 1 had a visit to Godstone Farm and were very lucky with the weather; it was a bit cold but at least it was not raining! They all seemed to have a very good time and they had a ride on a tractor and managed to stroke lots of the animals.

Mr Kenny managed to obtain some virtual reality headsets for the school to use this week and most classes had a chance to experience these.

Our school Hockey Team have managed to get through to the finals and will be playing this afternoon, we wish them good luck. If they win this afternoon they will go to the London Youth Games at Crystal Palace in March. Well done to them for getting this far in the tournament.

The Netball Team won one game and lost one game this week in their league games. Keep up the good work.

There will be a charity cake sale here at St James the Great School from 3 pm on Thursday 8th February. This will be in aid of The Christie Cancer Charity which raises money for a range of projects and initiatives focusing on four main areas: research, care and treatment, education and extra patient services. These services are above and beyond what the NHS provide enabling them to give their patients the best care and treatment possible. This cake sale is being run by Nwando Okoye who is representing South London in the Ms United Kingdom Galaxy Pageant in March. Ms Okoye is the Auntie of Jasmine Taiwo in Class 1.1. Please support this very worthy cause if you can.

This year World Book Day is on Thursday 1st March 2018 about which a separate letter will be circulated. The children are welcome to come to school dressed as their favourite book character and the costumes do not have to be expensive as prizes will be given for the more creative and imaginative outfits.

Did you see the letter that was sent home this week about helping with the gardening? If you are able to help with this, please let Mrs Lawless or Mrs Fowler know and any help will be very gratefully received.

We have a lot of lost property around school at the moment. Please ensure your children's property is clearly marked with their name. If you are writing your child's name on a label, please be mindful that ink does wear away in the wash.

Holiday Dates: The holiday dates for the next academic year have now been approved by the Governors and a copy is attached to this Newsletter for your information.

REMINDER: NEXT FRIDAY, 9TH FEBRUARY, IS A STAFF TRAINING DAY AND SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR ALL PUPILS.

Year 1 at Godstone Farm



Autumn Term 2018

First Day for staff: Monday 3rd September 2018

First day for pupils

Wednesday 5th September 2018

Half Term:

Monday 22nd October - Friday 26th October 2018 (inclusive)

Last Day: Friday 21st December 2018

INSET Day 1: Monday 3rd September 2018,

INSET Day 2: Tuesday 4th September 2018.

Spring Term 2019

First day for staff and students: Monday 7th January 2019

Half Term:

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February 2019 (inclusive)

Last Day: Friday 5th April 2019

INSET Day 3: Friday 15th February 2019

Good Friday: Friday 19th April 2019

Easter Monday: Monday 22nd April 2019

Summer Term 2019

First day for staff and students: Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Half Term:

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May 2019 (inclusive)

Last Day for Students: Friday 19th July 2019

Last Day for Staff: Tuesday 23rd July 2019

INSET Day 4: Monday 22nd July 2019

INSET Day 5: Tuesday 23rd July 2019

Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2019