

Newsletter

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This week at St James'...

Well, here we are at the end of our first term together and what a lovely term it's been. I'm particularly pleased with the way in which all our new children have settled into life at St James', especially our youngest children in Reception. We really value our strong family atmosphere here, where every child is known and appreciated, and we've enjoyed getting to know all the new members of our family.

Your children have worked incredibly hard this term, and deserve their half term break next week—we're so proud of all their achievements and of the wonderful way in which they conduct themselves around school. You have so much of which to feel incredibly proud! We were pleased to see so many of you at this week's parents' evenings—thank you for finding the time to come into school and meet with us.

Kingfishers and Whinchats were visited by a dentist this week, as part of their 'healthy me' topics, who shared lots of information about healthy teeth, gums and mouths—no excuses not to brush twice a day now! One of my highlights of the week was overhearing Peacocks class learning Carmen—they sound amazing, and I can't wait to hear the final version once the project has finished. Kingfishers and Green Jays took part in a local multi-sports event yesterday, and as always they represented St James' brilliantly.

Today, we say goodbye to Mrs Morton, as she leaves to take her maternity leave. She will be very greatly missed over the next year, but we know she'll be keeping in touch and will be around school in her other role as Jack's mum. Good luck Sarah, busy times ahead!

Tomorrow, staff will be enjoying their INSET day; we welcome Barbara Carr into school to provide bespoke training in mathematics, developing our skills in promoting and developing mastery and greater depth learning—it should be interesting and enjoyable, with lots of ideas which we can put into place next term.

Have a lovely half term, everyone, rest well and stay safe, we look forward to seeing you back in school on Monday, 30th October. Very best wishes,
Maria & all the team at St James'



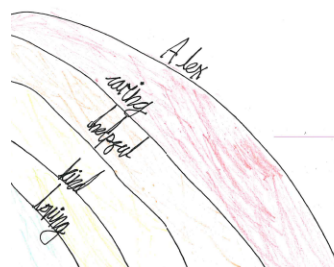
Congratulations!

Ms Soulsby's Rainbow Moment this week is awarded to Samuel in Year 3, who delivered this letter to me this morning which gave me proper goosebumps. What a lovely brother Samuel is, Alex is very lucky to have you. Well done too to Alex, for being such a kind and caring boy. I'm really proud of both of you!

Dear Mrs Soulsby,

I hope you will accept that my little brother Alex has been ~~to~~ very kind and helpful also rather considerate. I think which note should have a reward for this

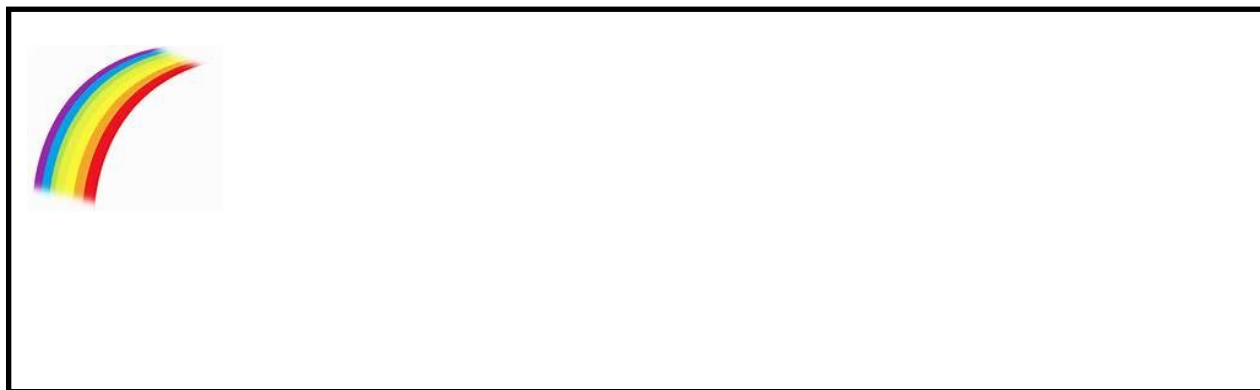
yours sincerely
Samuel Dfordlund
year 3



Rainbow Moment

My child has shown the Rainbow Promise in the following way at home:

Signed



New Diary Dates

Monday, 30th October 7.00pm	PSA Meeting (Christmas Fair planning—please come and help!)
	School Hall
Thursday, 23rd November	Whinchats Class Trip
Friday 1st December	PSA Christmas Fair (after school)

Coming Up....

MONDAY 30TH OCTOBER	TERM 2 STARTS
Monday, 30th October 7.00pm	PSA Meeting (Christmas Fair planning—please come and help!) School Hall
Friday, 3rd November	Peacocks Class Assembly
	Kingfishers Class Trip

PSA News

The next PSA meeting will be held on **Monday 30th October** at 7pm until 8pm in the school hall.

We will be discussing ideas & plans for the upcoming Christmas fair. Thank you for those of you who have volunteered to help out, we hope that you will be able to make the meeting so we can get things kicked off. We will also be discussing the 2018 events calendar - so if you have any exciting fundraising ideas please do bring them along with you! We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you.

Boden party—**Thursday, 2nd November**— Boden has increased the discount to **25% off everything**. They've also given 40 Boden umbrellas for the first 40 buyers. There will also be a raffle with a £50 Boden voucher. So... well worth coming along!

