



Newsletter February 2012

St James' CE Junior
School

Newsletter Date
Wednesday 1st February



The term is now well under way and the children are engaged in some fantastic learning experiences, from World War II in Year 3, The Romans in Year 4, being stranded on a remote island like Mike in Kensuke's Kingdom for Year 5 to the history of space travel in Year 6!



Fireworks

Extravaganza!

Come and "Blow Away" the Winter Blues at the PFA Fireworks Night on

Saturday 4th February.

The fun starts at 4.30pm—with a hog roast, hot dogs, cakes & refreshments. Glow in the dark novelties will be on sale and a tombola stall. Volunteers are still needed to help on the night; please contact Debbie Bawden, Katie Gatt or Zoe Clarke if you can lend a hand to make sure this event goes off with a "BANG!"

Please pre-order your tickets through the school office.

You could always make a real night of it by going on to join the Lantern Parade along Monson/Camden Road in the town!



Swimming

Class **6Alpha** continue swimming on Tuesdays until **7th February**. After the break Class **6 A** start on Tuesday **21st February** for 6 weeks.

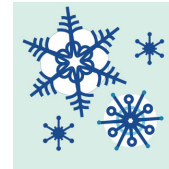
Year **3** continue swimming on Fridays until the **30th March**.

Snow Arrangements

In the event of snow, we are confident that sufficient staff live within reasonable walking distance and the school can remain open. Children may need to bring a packed lunch in the event of kitchen staff being unavailable.

Please check the noticeboard on the school website if unsure...

www.st-james-junior.kent.sch.uk, or listen for broadcasts on Radio Kent.



Punctuality!

The school gates are opened for children from 8.45—8.55am. It is essential that children arrive at school promptly and ready to learn. The first lesson of the day runs from 9.00—9.25am. A considerable number of children are arriving after the gate has closed and lessons have started.

Allotment Club Notice

Handyman/Carpenter help needed...

We would like:-

1. A wooden Wellington boot stand made to store our boots
2. Two door frames made to complete the construction of our polytunnel
3. The frames of our raised bed put together

Would someone with some know-how (and a cordless drill) volunteer to help us to complete these jobs?

Materials will be provided—we just need your skill!

Please contact Mrs Watson via the school office. Thank you in anticipation of your offer.



E-Safety

We continue to be mindful of the internet as a useful tool but also of the potential dangers it can pose, particularly to our children.

The information parents received from our e-safety talks in November was extremely welcome. We'd recommend that all parents visit the Child Exploitation and Online Protection (CEOP) center's Think U Know website for more information on keeping your child safe online www.thinkuknow.co.uk

Dates for Term 3

February

Saturday 4

PFA Firework Night—4.30pm
Lantern Parade

Tuesday 7

Chess match 3.30—4.45pm

Wednesday 8

Basketball Tournament @ Bennett
Cross country @ Bishops Down

Thursday 9

Football B Team @ Pembury

Mon 13—Fri 17

Half Term

Mon 20

School Starts

Tuesday 21

6 A swim starts

Wednesday 22

Cross Country @ Southborough

Friday 24

Year 3 Swim continues

Tuesday 28

Year 4 Trip to Museum of London

Wednesday 29

Netball Match v Langton Green

March

Wednesday 7

Cross Country @ Sherwood

Thursday 8

Puppeteers

Friday 9

Y5 & 6 Hockey Tournament

Wednesday 14

Beginners' Recorder festival

@TWGGS

Y3/4 Football T'ment @ St. John's

Monday 19

Chess Tournament @ St. Peter's

Wednesday 21

Cross Country @ St. Greg's

Friday 23

Non-uniform day

Easter Egg Bingo

Annual reports to Parents

Wednesday 28

Easter Service in Church @2pm

Year 3/4 Tri-Golf

Friday 30

Last Day of term

P.E. Notice

Shin pads are needed for Hockey as well as football.