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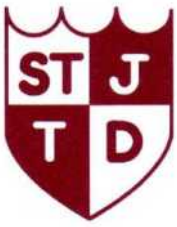
Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has been all about Year Six and supporting them as they completed their SATs tests. The rest of the school has done a great job of sharing encouraging smiles and making sure that the start of each day was as calm as possible and I know that the Year Six children have been grateful for the support. The Children in Year Six have worked so hard this week and we are so very proud of their efforts. A special thank-you must go to Year Five who were relocated to the music room for the week so that Year Six could stretch out across both classrooms – they will be repaid in kind next year when it is their turn!

Below is a summary of the learning that has taken place across the school this week.

Nursery	Reception
<p>This week the children have read the story 'The Ten Tiny Tadpoles' and they have learnt about the life cycle of a Frog. The children have also made masks using a range of materials and joined in with songs and rhymes whilst wearing their face coverings! The children have also discussed their favourite minibeast and we have continued to look for them in the school garden.</p>	<p>This week in Reception we have been looking at the new weekly topic book 'Jasper's Beanstalk' by Nick Butterworth. The children have received a letter from Jasper asking them whether he should climb the beanstalk. As a class we have discussed whether he should or not and the reasons for and against this. The children then wrote their own letters to Jasper, explaining what they thought he should do. The children have become more confident using the word 'because' when giving a reason in a sentence.</p> <p>We have also been looking at our own baby photos that the children have brought in from home. We have discussed how we have changed as we have transitioned from a baby to a child.</p>
Year Two	
<p>Year Two have been very busy recapping lots of Maths skills this week! They have been revisiting learning throughout the year so far, to build up their fluency. In English the children have used some amazing <b>descriptive language</b> to write their own free-verse poems. In Science the children have explored habitats. We thought about a local habitat - our St John the Divine garden, and then the children worked together to sketch out some ideas and discuss all of the living things that we could find. They then drew 'habitat maps' to show all of the plants and animals. In RE the children have continued their learning on 'The Lord's Prayer' by reflecting on the question - How do Christians believe the Lord's Prayer Helps them know 'What Would Jesus Do?'</p>	
Year Three	Year Four
<p>Year Three have had a wonderful week of learning. In English we have learnt about informal letters and wrote a letter from Odysseus to Penelope. In maths we have learnt how to add and subtract different lengths and how to find equivalent lengths of millimetres, centimetres and metres. In R.E we have learnt about how Jews use Meduzzahs and what a Shema is. In French we wrote a rap about French foods and, finally, in Science we have talked about the link between exercising regularly and having strong muscles.</p>	<p>This week Year Four have finished their learning on decimals and I'm delighted at the progress that each child has made. We are now all able to recognise decimals and fractions together. In English, we have started a new class text called 'The Island'. So far, a man has been washed up on an island where he doesn't seem to fit in. We can't wait to explore this novel further and use it as a stimulus for writing. In our Science lesson, we have been identifying vertebrae through the careful observation of their similarities and differences.</p>
Year Five	





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This week Year Five have been doing a variety of learning. In our English lesson, we have been continuing to read about the Conditions in a Victorian Workhouse. We are using the information about the workhouse to help us write limericks. We have been learning about the different elements of a limerick, including metaphors, rhyme and hyperbole. In our Maths lesson, we have been dividing decimals by 10,000 and 1000s and applying this knowledge to reasoning problems. In our Connected Curriculum lessons the children carried out research on the workhouse, which helped us write a report about the workhouse.

### Year Six

This week, in Year Six, we have completed our SATs test! Phew! It has been a challenging week with early starts and some anxious members of our class, but they are done. Every member of Year Six should look back on this week, proud of all their efforts, as well as all the patience and perseverance that they have shown. In Science, we continued our learning about Evolution and Inheritance, by learning more about the history of the ideas and influential people involved – some of us really got into character. Then, on Friday, to celebrate all our efforts, we had a trip to the park, where we enjoyed some much deserved down-time and some team games with a professional cricket coach. As one member of Year Six so eloquently put it, when referring to our Friday trip, "Maybe SATs is worth it, you know?"

### PE

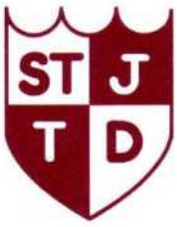
This week, the children have developed a greater awareness of the importance of stretching in readiness for PE lessons and they have been learning how to stretch key muscles – do ask your child how they might stretch the following muscles: Hamstring, Deltoids, Triceps and Quadriceps.

This week the children have also been developing their competitive skills - they are learning how to work as a team, how to support each other and how to respond whether winning or losing, key skills to acquire.

### Head Teacher awards were presented to the following children in this week's celebration assembly.

Nursery	Khalil for being a good role model. Aaliyah for leading the morning prayer.
Reception	Teni for getting very creative with her ideas during free flow. Teni decided that she wanted to make a post office during free flow so she independently made her own stamps and showed great leadership skills when giving her peers 'tasks' to do. Berrie for amazing contributions during maths sessions. Berrie has remembered what we have learnt in the lesson previous and confidently answered questions during our input. Well done Berrie!
Year One	Daniel for trying so hard to write a diary entry in English. He remembered to use a sound mat to sound out words, and even added a capital letter! Siara for showing peace within the classroom by completing her work quietly, being kind to her friends and always using her best manners.
Year Two	Aziz for his work in Science, where he sorted things that are alive, dead, or have never been alive. Adriel for solving length and height problems in Maths, and persevering when she did not know the answer straight away.
Year Three	Blessing for being a role model for behaviour and always listening carefully during lessons. Kamyah for having brilliant ideas when writing her own myth.
Year Four	Kamari for being a positive role model and displaying mature behaviour. As well as producing some wonderful work in English





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	<i>Junxiang for being polite, kind, and always coming to school with the right attitude</i>
<i>Year Five</i>	<i>Somto, because her behaviour has been exceptional this week, she has been listening to teachers at all times. Respecting others and showing compassion towards her learning. Jason for developing confidence in all lessons by putting his hands up for answers and always trying his best in every lesson.</i>
<i>Year Six</i>	<i>Hafsa for her consistently high effort in her learning, taking risks by sharing her ideas (even when she's unsure) and for her peacefulness in class and around school - helping to create a safe and calm feeling learning environment Isaac for paying such close attention in class and spotting any errors in our working, and for bringing joyfulness and good humour to class – even during SATs preparations!</i>

The house point totals for this week are:

 <b>GARRISON</b>	48	 <b>AUGUSTINE</b>	84
 <b>FRANKLIN</b>	60	 <b>DICKENS</b>	77

On a final note, next week Year Two will be showing-off their learning in the Key Stage One SATs tests. This is the last year that the children in Year Two will have to sit tests in this way; a welcome change to the assessment process. I know that you will join me in wishing the children all the best as they tackle the challenge.

Kind regards

Mrs Warland  
Head Teacher

