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Dear Parents and Carers,

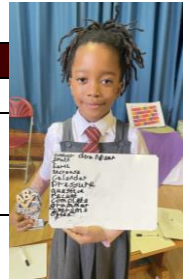
The children have worked hard completing a number of different assessments to share their learning at this, the half way point of the year. The teachers will now review the assessments, look over the children's progress and prepare to share an update with you at the upcoming Open Evenings. You should have received a letter earlier this week to book a slot with your child's teacher – if you need a copy of the letter please see Miss Farruggio in the front office.

We also held our termly **Spelling Bee** this week – hot off of the press, this term's Spelling Champs.

Key Stage One	
Spelling Champ – Hannan – Year Two	
Luqmaan – Year Two	
Maliyah-Rose – Year Two	
Jah'Sonya – Year Two	



Lower Key Stage Two	
Spelling Champ – N'raeha – Year Three	
Uthmaan – Year Four	
Neveah-Rose – Year Three	
Sodiq – Year Four	



Congratulations to all who took part and to the House spelling champs in each class. We have some super spellers in our school; with tie-breakers in each round. You will notice that the Upper Key Stage Two results are missing from our newsletter, this is because the two finalists from Year Six are such terrific spellers that we reached an impasse during the event and we have taken a break in proceedings to be concluded next week. Zacklyn and Vinie will compete again, with an emphasis on curriculum words, to find our Upper Key Stage Two Spelling Champ.

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

Early Years

In Early Years we continued talking about 'People Who Help Us', our topic for this term. This week we have been learning about **police officers**. The children have been encouraged to explore related vocabulary, develop role plays, and talk about how police officers help us. In Maths, the children in Nursery have been exploring shapes around the school, and the Reception class have been becoming more confident with adding **one more** or **one less**, using a range of items to support their learning. In RE, the children explored the **Easter story** and are creating their own garden for Jesus to place on our RE table.

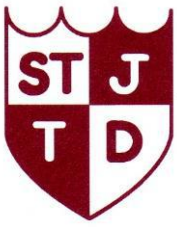
Year One

This week in Year One has been Assessment Week, with the children showing great focus and resilience as they demonstrated the skills they have been developing since September. In the afternoons, during our Connected Curriculum lessons, the class began exploring Famous People, focusing on Queen Elizabeth II. The children started to learn about key moments in her life and practised sequencing important events in chronological order. In RE, we explored Easter Day (Easter Sunday) and discussed why this is such an important and joyful event for Christians, marking the celebration of Jesus rising from the dead. In Science, the children have been thinking about how we use the Earth's natural resources, discussing examples such as cutting down trees to make useful items like tables, chairs and paper, and considering why it is important to use these resources carefully.

Year Two

We have started a brand new topic in RE this week. The children have been exploring symbols around the school and in the classroom. They have been looking at the meanings behind different symbols and creating their own to use in the classroom for expressing how they might be feeling. Our science lessons have been getting astronomical as the children have been learning about what happens when the Earth spins on its axis and how it affects our days and nights. We have been busy bees preparing for our Spelling Bee. The children have taken the competition very seriously and I can see that they have all put in a lot of effort to learn their spellings- well done Year Two!





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Year Three

It has been another busy week as it has been assessment week! The children have continued to work hard across all subjects and have shown great enthusiasm in their learning. They have been building their skills, sharing ideas, and supporting one another throughout the week. It has been wonderful to see their confidence growing and their effort shining through in their work. Well done, Year Three!

Year Four and Year Five

The key component of Year Four and Five's week, after assessments, has been our class assembly. As a class, we particularly enjoy acting, singing and performance so it was no surprise that everybody put so much effort into the drama of their roles for our assembly. It was very rewarding to see how much our parents enjoyed it! As it has been assessment week, lots of our time was spent demonstrating how much we have learnt this year so far in maths, reading and writing.



Year Six

Well done to Year Six on a successful Assessment Week. They have written imaginative stories, persevered at problem solving, recalled punctuation and grammar and demonstrated their reading skills. In Science, they reviewed different sources of light and learnt about how light travels in straight lines, bouncing off objects so that we can see. In Connected Curriculum, we reviewed the history topics covered so far that lead up to our 'Brixton' topic and discussed the reliability of resources.

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

EFYS	Zyla for showing confidence during phonics lessons and trying her best when reading new words. Keliyah for showing teamwork during World Book Day by sharing ideas and resources.
Year One	Isaac-Praise for great learning in class and for being a great role-model for his peers. Jonathan for applying his knowledge of partitioning tens to more abstract examples using resources
Year Two	Jah'Sonya for throwing herself into creating accessories for her character Red Riding Hood and being imaginative with the resources given. Ashraf for making a very bold and independent choice of being an animal from a non-fiction book rather than a character from a fiction book. Very unique thinking.
Year Three	Myles for showing excellent teamwork and helping others during our costume making for World Book Day. Benjamin for showing a great work ethic across all lessons and always trying his best to thrive in his learning.
Year Four & Year Five	Sodiq for persevering when remembering the different steps needed to multiply a 2-digit and 3-digit number by a 1-digit number. Teni for thinking of ways of how to show the Value of Faithfulness in and out of the classroom.
Year Six	Aziz for being extremely helpful this week. He has shown great responsibility and been a role model in helping others make their costumes. Dana for being a supportive classmate, bringing in resources to decorate costumes and helping others when they needed it.

The house point totals for this week are:

 GARRISON	22	 AUGUSTINE	19
 FRANKLIN	22	 DICKENS	21

On a final note, a reminder, the school photographer will be in on Monday 16th March 2026 to take this year's class photos.

Kind regards

Mrs Warland

Head Teacher

