



Pupil star of the week

LL: AM: Anees, for being very independent, especially when it comes to putting on his own coats and shoes.

LL: PM: Finley, for a fantastic start to our setting. He has settled in really well into our routine and has started to make friends.

CC: AM: Fatima- For becoming a confident communicator especially when sharing her wonderful ideas with her friends

CC: PM: Milo- For his enthusiasm when retelling of The Gingerbread man story.

BB: Hajra for fantastic work in your phonics and having a positive attitude to all the tasks you face.

SS 1: Layla - For working very hard in English this week, writing sentences about Mama Panya. It has been lovely to see you so proud of what you have achieved.

SS 1/2: Chase - for always being himself, excellent manners and behaviour at all times. Whenever O set him a challenge he usually tackles it with a smile and a joke. He brings a smile to my face every day.

DD 2: Christian! For really impressing Miss Petty when walking back from LadyHill park by saying that when he wants to reflect he is going to do it by the Cenotaph and in the park. Well done Christian for showing great maturity!

SS 3/4: Tristan is our star this week. He has had a super first week at Academy at St James and we are so pleased to welcome him into the Squirrels class.

BB 3/4: Ethan is our star of the week this week. We have all been particularly proud of Ethan for all of his hard work and his better behaviour choices. Ethan has had a great week and produced some fabulous work - it has been great to see him being himself and being so happy. Well done Ethan!

WW 3/4: Elijah for showing that he cares about his learning and is willing to do as much work as he can to improve. Well done Elijah!

OO 5: Nikita Ndegbu - for being a knowledgeable and expert learner with her prime and composite numbers!

SS 5: Evie Holt for showing her enthusiasm and determination to improve her learning. We have worked on how to control her emotion to calm a situation down rather than increase the tension. This is working and she is working to improve herself not just her education.

LL 6: Laura Nowak - for showing herself to be an expert learner, who is always keen to develop her creativity and improve her impressive art skills. Laura has also supported others with her learning and helped with the Eco Council at short notice, showing how much she cares about our community. Well done!

MM 6: Abby Langley - Although Abby has been at home for the last two weeks. She has logged onto my classroom and joined us via zoom to take part in all lessons. This shows a fabulous commitment to her learning. I am so proud of you.





What we've done this week

Lively Ladybirds: We have been learning to be independent this week, by trying to put on our own coats, wellies and shoes. We have also been learning how to balance on different equipment and we have learnt about Remembrance Day. A busy week

Curious Caterpillars: This week we have been learning the story of The Gingerbread Man. We cannot wait to share it with you all!

Brilliant Butterflies: Another week home learning this week and the children have done a great job. We have been practicing our phonics sounds and red words, we have also designed our own bedroom door signs, practicing our names and drawing some fantastic pictures.

Swooping Starlings: The children have produced amazing art work linked to Remembrance Day, making me a super proud teacher.

Successful Swans: This week the children in Swans have really impressed me with their maths skills. They have been learning to add and subtract 10 and also worked on methods of adding and subtracting 9 - very impressive.

Daring Ducklings: Another wonderful week in 2DD. We really enjoyed walking to and from Lady Hill park and working with Mr Morrison outside, it was great fun!

Stupendous Squirrels: This week the squirrels walked to the cenotaph to show their respects. We have enjoyed extending our knowledge of Skara Brae as part of our Stone Age topic.

Blissful Badgers: In computing this week, we have been learning about what an animation is and have started to make our own animations using "Scratch". We will be starting to write the program for this next week!

Wondrous Whales: This week we walked down to Lady Hill Park to visit the cenotaph to remember all the people that died in wars and show our respect.

Omniscient Otters: This week Otters produced some amazing artwork for Remembrance Day, the atmosphere was really lovely. We have also been challenging ourselves learning about prime and composite numbers!

Super Seals: Great week, all the children have really engaged in Remembrance Day. It shows great maturity and understanding of the events of the past. Enjoy your weekend!

Leaping Lions: This week, I was very proud of the children's Remembrance Day poetry, and the discussions we had about war and remembering those who served.

Magnificent Monkeys: This week we have been learning about mixed number fractions and improper fractions. We have started our diary writing based on Shackleton and created a large human chronological timeline of Ancient Greece.



Important Notices

1. Remember next week is our Dr Bike session on Tuesday 17th November- remember to complete your slip and bring your bike into school on Monday 16th.
2. Next week is Anti-Bullying week in school- we will be taking the time to think about how we see others. We will be asking the pupils to wear odd socks and will be learning about this in our PSHE lessons.



Head Teacher's comment

I hope this message finds you well. It has been another tremendous week at St James where we have been extremely busy. On Wednesday this week we all spent time thinking about Remembrance Day. Classes wrote poems, made poppies, created pictures and paintings to commemorate this very important day in our year.

My 4 best highlights of the week were:

1. Walking into the Otters class and seeing them produce their water colours paintings linked to Remembrance Day- they were incredible!
2. Playing with Starlings outside a playtime as Mason showed me his 'army' roll and we all had a great time playing games.
3. Seeing some wonderful work in Year 5 and 6 this week- careful choices of words, great inference in reading and pupils showing that they care about their work.
4. Seeing Austyn making flint spears in a Forest school session during a lunchtime. He was totally absorbed- I loved it.

This week sees Children in Need on Friday and next week is Anti-Bullying Week where we think hard about how we treat other people and show that we care.

We have taken the time to pause, reflect and remember those closest to us and make sure we continue to do this in our daily lives.



Photos from this week

