



St Jude's Church of England Primary School
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7 September 2026

Thought for the Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school year at St Jude's! I hope you all had a restful and joyful summer break,.

It has been wonderful to see the children return last week, full of energy and excitement in their new classes with their new teaching teams. We hope everyone has settled in smoothly and the transition from one year to another and the summer break to a new term hasn't been too hard on everyone. A very special welcome to the new families who have joined our school community, we are so pleased to have you with us and look forward to getting to know you.

Our vision remains:

Our Children
Our St Jude's Family
Happy – Inspired – Loved
Learning in the footsteps of Jesus
The sky is not the limit
Ready for today – prepared for tomorrow

Last week, the Reception team visited all the new Reception starters at home and they begin their journey with us this week.

We have a busy and exciting half term ahead, with many events planned. Please so keep an eye out in this newsletter for important dates for your diary and key events happening in school.

Mrs James
Interim Headteacher

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

— Proverbs 22:6 (NIV)

Attendance

It is essential that our children are in school as much as possible — every school day counts!

If your child is not well enough to attend school, please let the school know by 9am on the day. This can be done by calling the school or sending an email to admin@stjudeslambeth.org. If we do not hear from you, we will contact you directly.

If you need to take your child out of school during term time for any other reason, please notify the school as soon as possible. You will need to fill in a Request for Pupil Absence Form which can be obtained from the school office. The Headteacher will then make a decision if this absence can be authorised or not.

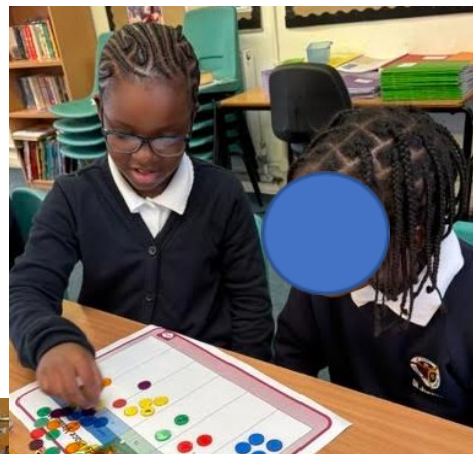
If your child has a medical appointment, we encourage families to make the appointment for out of school hours. If this is not possible, the school must be notified with proof of the appointment so that the absence can be authorised.

We ask that family holidays are always taken during our school holiday dates. Please see the school year dates at the end of this newsletter to help you plan any future trips.



What has Class 5 been up to?

Year 5 have got off to a great start this new academic year. They have been using all the resources available to them whilst manipulating numbers all the way up to 1,000,000. Such huge numbers!



Important Dates

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DATES

Meet the Teacher—Introductory Talks

Once the children have had time to settle in to the new academic year, we invite parents and carers to come and meet the teacher. Our Meet the Teacher event will happen on Thursday 17th September **at 4:30pm.**

Term Dates:

School finishes for half term : Friday 16th October 2026 at 3:30

Return to school : Monday 2nd November 2026

Whole School Events, Trips, Workshops and Visits

Lambeth Mental Health Team Paents Coffee Morning, Thursday 17th September, 9.00am

Suoporting your child with phonics, Thursday 24th September

Parents Evening, Tuesday 13th and 15th October

Black History Month Exhibition, Friday 16th October

P.E. Days

Reception— Friday

Year 1— Tuesday and Thursday

Year 2— Monday and Thursday

Year 3— Thursday and Friday

Year 4 — Monday and Wednesday

Year 5— Wednesday and Friday

Year 6 — Wednesday and Friday

Friday Stars !



Class 1

Class One's Friday Star is Iyana! Iyana has shown an excellent attitude to her learning and superb focus. Well done Iyana!



Class 2

Class Two's Friday Star is Kiara. For making an excellent start to Year 2 by listening well and contributing to lessons.



Class 3

Class Three's Friday Star is Lebron. Lebron has shown our school value of being prepared and helpful this week. We have been so impressed with Lebron as he has settled into life in Year 3 effortlessly. Well done and keep it up!



Class 4

Class Four's Friday Star is Freya - For being resilient. Freya has shown the highest standard of listening and effort in class this week and she has pushed herself to do her very best work, including challenges.



Class 5

Class Five's Friday Star is Jama! Jama has come back to school (started year 5) with a wonderfully positive attitude to his classwork and friends. Such a lovely show of St Jude's values, well done Jama!



Class 6

Class Six's Friday Star goes to the entire Year 6 class! They have all made a fantastic start to the term coming in with maturity, enthusiasm and readiness to learn. Well done Year 6's, keep it up!



Saints and Workers of the Week



Each week, the staff nominate children to be our Saints and Workers of the Week.

Saints of the Week are children who have worked really hard to live out our Christian school values:

- We work well together
- We are prepared and helpful
- We are resilient
- We are there for one another
- We celebrate each others' success

Workers of the Week are children who have shown huge effort and progress in their learning.

Saint of the Week

Luca, Class 1

For being kind and helpful explaining our class rules to children and sharing his choosing resources when asked.

Well Done Luca!



Worker of the Week

JJ, Class 5

For having a great attitude to his learning, with resilience shown and all work completed.

Great job!





Parents & Carers Coffee Morning

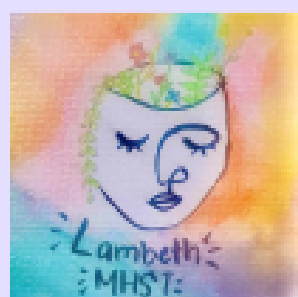
Introduction to the Lambeth MHST

Meet the Lambeth Mental Health
Support Team.

Find out who we are and what we
do to support the mental health and
wellbeing of children and young
people at St Jude's C of E Primary
School.

Thursday 17th September
09:00 - 09:45

**Location: St Jude's C of E
Primary School**





Chestnut Grove Academy



**Come
and visit
our creative
learning
community**

Open Evening

Chestnut Grove Academy's Open Evening will take place on **Thursday 24th September 2026**, and you are welcome to attend anytime between **5.00pm – 8.00pm**.

Whilst our Open Mornings offer an insight into daily school life, our Open Evenings give you a chance to speak to our staff and student ambassadors. Each department will showcase the outstanding work of our students, offering visitors a glimpse into our rigorous, knowledge-rich, and transformational curriculum.

Be sure not to miss our annual Chestnut Grove Science Show, taking place at 5.30pm and 6.30pm - an exciting highlight of the evening!

Our Autumn Open Morning Events will take place on **Wednesday 16th September and Thursday 1st October**.

Each day will offer two sessions:

Session 1

Arrival: 9:15am

Finish: 10:30am

Session 2

Arrival: 10:30am

Finish: 11:45am

You can book to attend one of our Autumn events using this link: [Select tickets – Chestnut Grove Academy - Autumn Term Open Morning Events 2026](#)

As our open events are often oversubscribed, we manage the number of visitors in each session to ensure every family enjoys the best possible experience. To help us do this, please select the correct number of attendees when booking, including both adults and children, as places for the events are limited.

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Thursdays 10th
September
October 22nd 2026
10AM - 12PM

Highlights:

- Developing awareness and skills in supporting our teenage children
- The role of culture in our children's mental wellbeing
- Awareness and understanding the impact of schools on our children's mental well being



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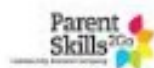


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Open Evening

Thursday 17th Sep 2026, 5pm-7pm



Open Mornings

MONDAYS:

21st & 28th Sep 2026 | 5th & 12th Oct 2026

8.45am: Principal's Talk

9.00am: Tours Start

9.30am: Last Tour

All events require registration

Please visit our
website to register:

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