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Thought for the Week



We listened to a beautiful poem from Psalm 139:1-6,13-16 to help us reflect on this even more!

Last week we were thinking about our selfworth and that we are all amazing in our own special way.

Psalm 139:1–6, 13–16

**You have searched me, Lord,
and you know me.**

**You know when I sit and when I rise;
you perceive my thoughts from afar.**

**You discern my going out and my lying down;
you are familiar with all my ways.**

**Before a word is on my tongue
you, Lord, know it completely.**

**You hem me in behind and before,
and you lay your hand upon me.**

**Such knowledge is too wonderful for me,
too lofty for me to attain.**

Notices

Food at school—Allergies, Asthma and medical needs.

A reminder that St Jude's is a nut and seed free school. We have a number of children with allergies and nuts and seeds are high on the allergies list. Packed lunches and snacks for after school clubs should be healthy and nut free.

The Government have issued new guidelines on allergy awareness, prevention and treatment in school. It can be found following this link [Allergy safety in schools statutory guidance](#)

Lettings & Space Hire: Our Building is Available!

We are looking to rent out our school building during evenings, weekends and school holidays. If you know of any local community groups, sports clubs or organisations that be interested in hiring our space, please let Mrs James know.

We Value Your Feedback: Parent Survey Now Open!

At St Jude's, we are always striving to make our school the best it can be for our children and families. Your views, ideas, and feedback are a vital part of this journey.

We would be extremely grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete our short Parent /Carer Survey. Whether you want to highlight what is working well or share areas where you think we can improve, we want to hear from you.

An email has been sent with the link to complete survey.

The survey will remain open until **Friday 16th October**. Thank you so much for taking the time to help us shape the future of St Jude's.

Amazon Wishlist

Dear St Jude's Families,

At St Jude's we are so fortunate to have a wonderfully supportive community and we are grateful for our hard-working PTA and the fantastic efforts they put into fundraising for our school.

As you may be aware, schools continue to face tighter budgets in today's economic climate. While our staff team works hard to manage our funds carefully, there are always extra resources and equipment that would make a huge difference to our children's daily learning.

To help us enhance our provision this year, we have updated our Amazon Wish List. Please click on the link below and you will find items chosen specifically to enrich classroom learning, dedicated play equipment for Key Stage 1 lunch and playtimes, and creative materials to support our art curriculum.

An email has been sent with the link to the St Jude's wishlist

Any contribution, no matter how small, makes a real difference. By helping us with these supplies, you allow us to redirect vital school funds straight into our curriculum, ensuring it remains engaging, inspiring, and enriching for every single child.

Thank you so much in advance for your support with this.



Harvest Donations Needed

Harvest Donations – Thursday 15th October

As part of our Harvest celebrations, we invite children to bring a donation to school on **Thursday 15th October** to support the **Lambeth Croydon Food Bank**. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to show kindness and generosity to those in need.

The food bank has requested the following items:

Items we need

As of 24/09/2026

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| ✓ Bags for life | ✓ Cat food |
| ✓ Dog food | ✓ Incontinence products |
| ✓ Instant coffee | ✓ Long-life milk |
| ✓ Rice | ✓ Sanitary towels |
| ✓ Tinned fruit | ✓ Tinned sweetcorn |
| ✓ Tinned tomatoes | ✓ Tinned tuna |
| ✓ Toilet roll | ✓ Washing up liquid |

All donations will be gratefully received and passed on to the food bank to help families in our local area. Thank you for supporting this important cause and helping our pupils understand the value of giving and caring for others.

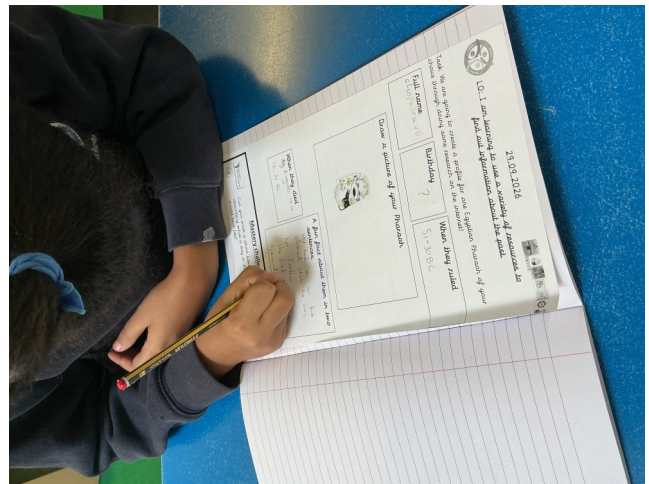
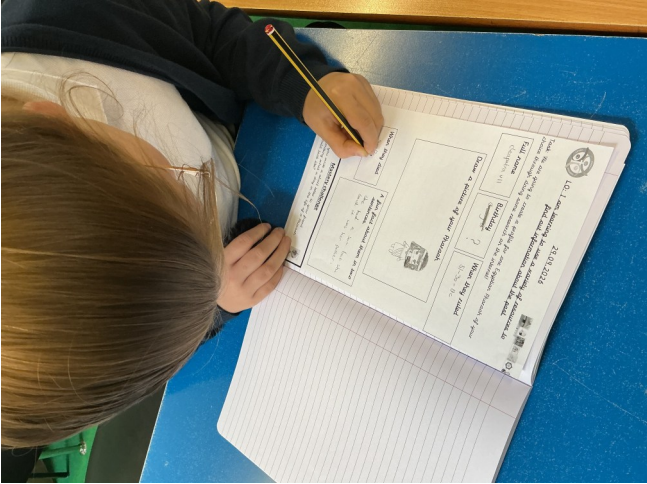
What has Class 4 been up to?

Year 4 looked at the five different types of fronted adverbials. They then came up with a list of fronted adverbials and added these to extracts from our text to make them more exciting.

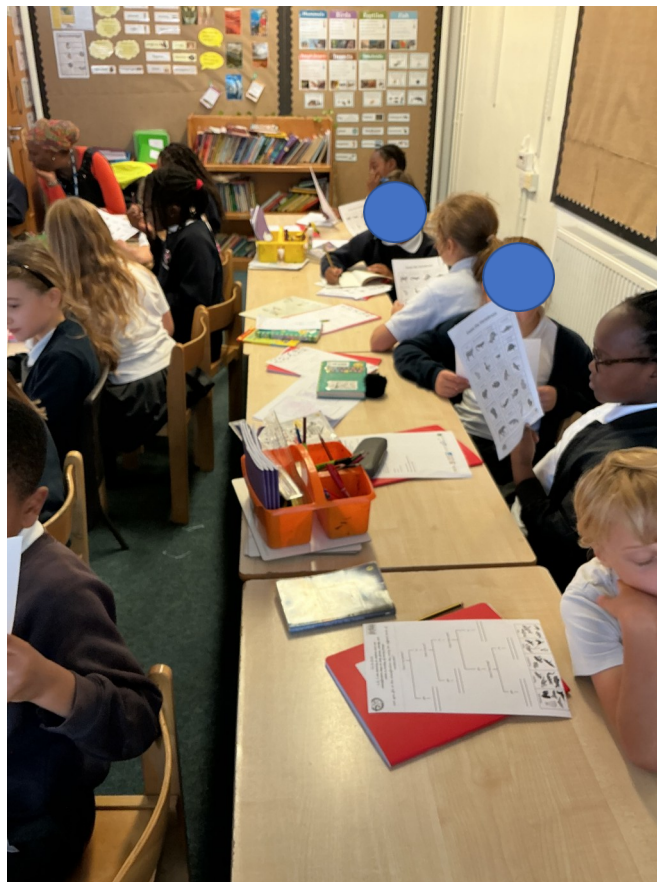


What has Class 4 been up to?

In Humanities Year 4 conducted research on ancient Egyptian pharaohs to produce a fact file



And in Science, we were classifying animals—trying to guess our partners' animal by asking yes or no questions



Leadership Groups Announcements

At St Jude's we believe the children should take an active role in our school and that their voice is invaluable in ensuring everyone feels **happy, inspired and loved**. With that, we are delighted to announce our Leadership groups for the year ahead.

Year	School Council	Faith Group	Wellbeing Ambassador	Librarian
Year 2	Tiago Daniyah-Raye	Alana Kunmi		
Year 3	Jannah Cruz	Maya Dominik	Elena Sariah-Lee	Evie Liam
Year 4	Sophia H Daniel	Esther Ivy BB	Scarlett Phoebe M	Milani Jah-buroma
Year 5	Chase Amandla	Aria Willow	Jama Machi	Aaniah Kristal
Year 6	Lucinda Aniyah	Sienna Chase	Saira Mehdi	Maite Kamani

We are incredibly proud of all the students who put themselves forward, and we can't wait to see these young leaders take on their new roles, share their ideas, and make a positive difference across our whole school community!



Dear Families,

We are very excited to be celebrating Black History Month this October.

The theme this year is “HONOURING OUR COMMUNITIES.” This theme invites us to recognise the individuals whose everyday contributions shape, support and sustain Black life across the United Kingdom. Across Britain, there are individuals whose contributions are part of everyday life, yet too often go unseen. Volunteers who give their time without expectation. Teachers who shape futures beyond the classroom. Nurses and carers who offer dignity and compassion. Community leaders who bring people together, often without recognition.

At St Jude’s we are incredibly proud of our diverse curriculum that reflects our community. We take the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of Black heritage and culture throughout the year, as well as during Black History Month.

On Thursday we launched our annual Family Learning Project. We are asking you to create a project to celebrate stories of Black community members. Attached, and on the flyer in your child’s bag you can find some ideas of how you may want to complete your project. We are also looking out for original ideas too!

The deadline is **Wednesday 14th October.**

The wonderful projects will be displayed in the hall for an exhibition on **Friday 16th October** between **3:30pm and 3:45pm.**

We can’t wait to see what you create!

Kind regards,

The St Jude’s Team



Family Learning Project

Black History Month 2026

Honouring our Communities

Writing

Can you create a fact file about a Black Entertainer whose community work changed the world for the better?

Can you research and write about a Black community leader who inspired unity?

Can you write a story about a Black Nurse?

Humanities

Can you research a figure whose profound contributions to their community helped shape history?

Some examples might be:

- Mary Seacole - a nurse whose care saved numerous men during the Crimean war.
- Lenny Henry - he co-founded the British version of Comic Relief and regularly contributes to the fundraising efforts of the organisation.
- Olive Morris - a local activist.

Reading

Can you create your own collection of stories/poems celebrating Black Community and what it means to you?

Art

Can you create a self-portrait, reflecting your own culture and sense of community?

Can you research artists who celebrate Black community and culture?

Can you recreate their work?

Can you create your own work in their style?

1st October marks the beginning of Black History Month. At St Jude's we are incredibly proud of our diverse curriculum that reflects our community. We take the opportunity to share, celebrate and understand the impact of Black heritage and culture throughout the year, as well as during Black History Month.

The theme this year is "Honouring our Communities." This theme invites us to recognise the individuals whose everyday contributions shape, support and sustain life across the United Kingdom and the globe.

This year, the theme highlights the profound contributions made by Black people be they volunteers, community leaders, teachers, nurses or careers - They offer dignity and compassion towards a future of continued empowerment, unity and growth.

We are asking you to create a project to respond to this theme. On this page you can find some ideas of how you may want to complete your project. We are also looking out for original ideas too!

Please return all projects by Wednesday 14th October

All projects will be displayed in a special exhibition in the school hall on

Design & Technology

Can you research designers who have made a significant impact on the world of design today?

Can you create your own work mimicking their style?

An examples might be:

- Zelda Wunn Valdes – a fashion designer who made clothes for Ella Fitzgerald, Maria Cole and others inspiring communities around the world.

Remember – these are just a few ideas!

If you have your own we would LOVE to see them!



Important Dates

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DATES

Class Collective Worship

Throughout the year we welcome parents to see your child's class Collective Worship. These special worships are a showcase of the children's learning and an opportunity for the children to lead worship for our school community. They will be held in the **school hall at 9.05am**.

Reception: Wednesday 26th May

Class 1: Wednesday 28th April

Class 2 : Wednesday 5th May

Class 3: Wednesday 10th February

Class 4: Wednesday 21st April

Class 5: Wednesday 20th January

Class 6: Wednesday 11th November

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

Class 4 Trip to British Museum, Wednesday 7th October

Flu Immunisations, Thursday 8th October

Parents Evening, Tuesday 13th and 15th October 3:45—6:45

Harvest Festival, Thursday 15th October

Black History Month Exhibition, Friday 16th October

Sports Inspired Athlete Event, Thursday 5th November, 9.00-11.00am

Class 1 Dulwich Gallery Visit, Wednesday 11th November, 12.30-2.00pm

Class 2 Dulwich Gallery Visit, Wednesday 18th November, 10.00-11.30am

Class 3 Dulwich Gallery Visit, Wednesday 18th November, 12.30-2.00pm

P.E. Days

Reception— Friday

Year 1— Wednesdays and Thursdays

Year 2— Mondays and Thursdays

Year 3— Thursdays and Fridays

Year 4 — Mondays and Wednesdays

Year 5— Wednesdays and Fridays

Year 6 — Wednesdays and Fridays

Friday Stars !

Reception

Reception's Friday Star is Santi for showing great enthusiasm towards learning phonics. He is always eager to participate and loves finding out how to write each grapheme. Keep up the great work Santi!



Class 1

Class One's Friday Star is Bodhi. For his excellent application of his phonics during writing activities this week. Well done Bodhi!



Class 2

Class Two's Friday Star is Ezana. We have noticed him trying so hard to be prepared for learning and try his best. His listening and focus has been excellent this week. Keep up the great work Ezana!



Class 3

Class Three's Friday Star is Raffy. Raffy has been a phonics expert this week. He has worked really hard during phonics sessions by segmenting and blending his sounds. He has shown so much resilience when and really has tried his very best. Keep it up Raffy!



Class 4

Class Four's Friday Star is Sophia H. Sophia has shown excellent determination in her work at home and at school this week. She has produced some excellent writing using adverbials and her research work on Ancient Egyptian pharaohs and artefacts was very impressive. Well done Sophia!



Class 5

Class Five's Friday Star is JJ! JJ has worked with a positive attitude and great resilience to re-write the ending of a narrative we have been reading in literacy. A great start to this academic year JJ, keep up the good work!



Class 6

Class Six's Friday is Saira! Saira encountered a fraction question that was very challenging and persisted greatly to understand. Once she did, she diligently applied the steps and mastered it. Well done for taking charge of your learning!



Class Dojo winners:

With 443 points, this week's winners is Class 6 !

You got most of your dojos this week for being prepared for your learning!

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

Maite, Class 6

Through the week Maite has set a good example for the class or being very prepared and showing excellent behavior both in the class and in the playground. Super well done!



Worker of the Week

Sienna, Class 6

Sienna only started with us this week and has already showed the school values of being so helpful. She proactively volunteered to be a play leader and took good care of the Reception children.

Well done!



St Jude's Inclusion Hub



Introduction - September 2026

It has been a joy and a pleasure for me to join the St Jude's community this term and get to know so many parents and children. As Inclusion Lead and SENDCo, I strive to ensure that as a team, we are enabling every child to thrive and learn and working alongside parents is the key to making this happen. Every month, I will be posting information and leaflets in this Inclusion Hub part of the newsletter and will be arranging SEND focused coffee mornings every half term, so please look out for them. I'm very much looking forward to working with you.

Mrs Beth Golding

Introducing



Lambeth Mental Health Support Team



Lambeth Mental Health Support Team

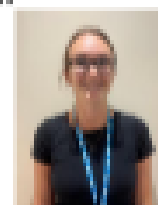
We are now working with Lambeth MHST. Thank you to those parents who were able to join the parent coffee morning recently. If you would like more information on the work they do, please contact Mrs Golding through the school office.



Speech and Language Therapy in your school

Who am I?

- Hi my name is Lucy!
- I work for Evelina London NHS



What do I do?

- I work with the school to support Speech, Language and Communication (SLC) skills in areas such as attention & listening, understanding, talking and social interaction.
- We support schools through a range of different activities including training, advice, classroom observations, setting up groups, creating a communication friendly environment to support language & learning, and much more.
- Speech, language and communication development is important in supporting pupil's learning and their ability to build relationships.
- If you would like to discuss anything else, please speak to the school SENCO.

For more information about our service, training available, top tips to support your child at home, advice videos and more please visit:

Our **website**: www.evelinalondon.nhs.uk/community/speechandlanguage/

Our **Facebook** page: <https://www.facebook.com/EvelinaLondonSLT/>



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St Jude's Inclusion Hub



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EarlyBird+ Programme Information Session

Please come along to our information session and find out about the EarlyBird+ Programme for parents/ carers of children the age of 4– 10 years old, with a diagnosis of Autism. This information session can also be attended by professionals.

Tuesday 13th October 2026

9:15-10:15

Jubilee Primary School

The session will provide you with detailed information about the Early Bird+ programme.

Please note you must attend this session if you would like to be considered for the EarlyBird+ programme.

The programme will run over a 6-week period with sessions taking place every Monday from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, starting on Monday, 9 November.

If you have any questions, please contact us on

inclusion@jubilee.lambeth.sch.uk

We look forward to seeing you there.





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Rooted: Celebrating Black Identity – FREE

Minet Library, 52 Knatchbull Rd, SE15 9QY

Saturday 10th October, 10.30am – 12.30pm

A creative family workshop celebrating Black identity, heritage and self-confidence during Black History Month hosted by Harieth Sedrick-Ugo Founder of Mothers Recharge. Through storytelling, creativity, and hands-on activities, children and their families will explore identity, culture and belonging in a welcoming and engaging space. Suitable for families with children age 3-10yrs. Reserve a ticket: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rooted-celebrating-black-identity-tickets-1998647783322?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>

National Gallery – The Welcome Space - FREE

The Roden Centre for Creative Learning, Orange Street, off Trafalgar Square WC2N 5DN

Saturdays & Sundays, Bank Holidays, 10am – 6pm – for families all ages

The Welcome Space is open every weekend and throughout the school holidays, offering families a chance to get creative before exploring the Gallery. Build, dress up, solve puzzles, make up stories and play together with our collection of playboxes. Pick up a pencil, explore a drawing activity and make something of your own to take away with you. Whether you have five minutes or an hour, families are welcome to pause, play and get curious together. Before you head into the Gallery, you can leave your buggy in the buggy park. Lockers, baby changing facilities and a Changing Places toilet are also available. <https://www.nationalgallery.org.uk/events/ccl-welcome-space-weekends-and-holidays>

National Maritime Museum – FREE

National Maritime Museum, Romney Rd, Greenwich, SE10 9NF

Saturday 10th October & Sunday 11th October

Character Encounters: every Saturday, this week meet **John Simmonds**, 11am, 12.30pm, 1.30pm and 2.30pm

John Simmonds (1783–1858) was a black sailor who served with Nelson at the Battle of Trafalgar, 1805. Developed with John's descendants and using more than 40 years of family research, the performance will take you on a journey through the museum, from [Nelson's Ship in a Bottle](#) by Yinka Shonibare CBE to the [Nelson, Navy, Nation gallery](#).

John Simmonds plays an important part in bringing hidden black British histories into the mainstream and exploring the histories of the culturally diverse crews that the British navy relied upon.

Sensory Sailors: second Saturday of the month, 11am – 12.30pm. Children aged 13 and under with additional needs and their families are invited to a monthly session at the [National Maritime Museum](#) led by disabled creatives.

FREE but pre-booking required <https://www.rmg.co.uk/whats-on/national-maritime-museum/sensory-sailors>

Discover Sundays: Term time on Sundays 11am – 1pm & 2pm – 4pm, drop-in, join in with family creative activities

<https://www.rmg.co.uk/national-maritime-museum>

Brixton Youth Theatre – FREE

Free After-School Drama Workshops for children aged 7 – 11

Every Friday during term time, 4:15pm to 5:45pm

Fun and creative drama sessions, opportunities to make friends and explore creativity in a safe space

To Join BYT email: info@brixtonyouththeatre.com or call 07960 964558 – No auditions necessary

For 13+yrs, check details at <https://brixtonyouththeatre.com/about>

Art4Space Crafternoon – FREE

31 Jeffreys Rd, SW4 6QU

Friday 9th October, 2.30 – 5.00pm

Join us for Crafternoon! See the space, meet the team, get creative with a range of craft activities, refreshments served. No need to book, just drop-in. All ages welcome free to attend

See lots of other fantastic arts and craft opportunities on the Art4space website: <https://art4space.co.uk/>

Black History Month events

Family-friendly Black History Month events in London include cultural fairs, interactive music workshops, and community festivals taking place throughout October 2026

Poetry Workshop & open mic session with poet Jenny Mitchell – FREE

Una Marson Library, 62 Thurlow St, SE17 2G

Saturday 10th October, 2.00 – 4.30pm

Join award-winning poet Jenny Mitchell for a relaxed poetry workshop exploring stories of family, friendship and belonging. What does community mean to you? Join award-winning poet Jenny Mitchell for a relaxed poetry workshop and stay for an Open Mic and poetry readings by Jenny.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/poetry-workshop-and-open-mic-session-with-poet-jenny-mitchell-tickets-2002154538120?aff=oddtcreator>

Finding Billy Waters – London Museum Docklands

London Museum Docklands, No 1 Warehouse West India Quay, E14 4AL

Saturday 10th October, 2.00 – 2.50pm tickets from £6

William 'Billy' Waters was a busker, sailor, immigrant, father, lover, extraordinary talent and a forgotten Black celebrity from Regency London. Join Suchitra Chatterjee and Mary L. Shannon for an engaging talk exploring the remarkable story of Billy Waters and discovering how small traces in museum collections can lead to exciting new discoveries about Black British history and the history of disability. Suitable for visitors aged 12 yrs+

<https://www.londonmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/finding-billy-waters/>

African Americans in Britain during WW2 - London Museum Docklands FREE

London Museum Docklands, No 1 Warehouse West India Quay, E14 4AL

Sunday 11th October 12 – 12.50pm

Join us for this free talk exploring the stories of around 2,000 children known as "GI babies", born to Black American GIs stationed in Britain during the Second World War. Their arrival contributed to a significant increase in Britain's Black population, but many later faced discrimination and other challenges throughout their lives. Through the story of James Masters, discover the experiences of GI babies and their families, alongside the contributions of African American servicemen who played an important role in the fight against fascism. Free event but reserve a ticket:

<https://www.londonmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/african-americans-britain-during-the-second-world-war/>

My Mother-in-Law's Dresses – Brixton Library

Brixton Library, Windrush Square, SW2 1JQ

Saturday 10th October 2.00 – 5.00pm,

A reminiscence workshop dedicated to the memory of Girleyvine - a Windrush Pioneer - showcasing some of her beautiful dresses and photographs, documenting her arrival from Jamaica to West Norwood in 1958. Girley has left behind a wealth of memories for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren to share and remember her by. Bring your own photographs, bring the family and that favourite dress, come along and share your own memories.

Workshop by Sonia Winifred, Windrush Campaigner, former Lambeth Councillor and Cabinet Member

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/my-mother-in-laws-dresses-tickets-1998543079149?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

Rachel Thomas, Windmill Cluster & Brixton Learning Collaborative windmillclusterschools@gmail.com



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