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"With exploring minds, and faith, we achieve our challenging goals."

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This week's newsletter

PUPILS OF THE WEEK	MUGA Maestros
The children have all been working	Chosen by the children for good
extremely hard again this week. Here are	 sportsmanship, teamwork and sports skills:
our Pupils of the Week-	Zac M, Jay C, Blake W, Izhaar F,
Class 1 - Elizabeth S, Zac S and Jimi F	Caleb H, Aiden P, Lilly C and Joe
Class 2 - David M & Ethan H	T
Class 3 - Emme S	
Class 4 - Libby M & Alfie H	Click this icon to email the school office at anytime during
Class 5 - Imogen F & George T	this difficult time if you need to
Class 6 - Jasmine T, Theo K & Eva M	make contact

After an unsettling week for us all, I wanted to send you our Weekly Newsletter, to continue with our theme in school this week: 'Keep things Normal'. I am immensely proud of my staff, who have worked with limited time and guidance in providing a system for all of our children to work remotely. Expect a few teething problems with all things new, but both staff and children are excited about the possibilities this new way of working can offer.

You will all have received information today explaining that the school will remain open, to provide childcare for key workers. I must stress that the guidance from the Local Authority states that if children can be at home, then they should be. It is important for us to be responsible with this childcare provision. If the school is not able to meet numbers, we will be forced to close; all of our children will then need to be passed onto another school who can remain open.

Can I thank the parents and St James' community for being so understanding with the situation; so positive in understanding our pressures; and so forthcoming in their warm praise which has lifted all of our spirits when facing these challenges. Lastly, the children have been amazing. We have explained to them that we are still St James'. We will all continue to work to 'The St James Way', in being kind, respectful and giving our all. I look forward to seeing some of the pictures, videos and text documents of the excellent work you will be doing next week on Seesaw.

Mr A Beattie, Head teacher