

SAMARÈS SCHOOL

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Friday 2nd May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Liberation 80 Celebrations

Next week we will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of Liberation Day. On Thursday 8th May, all children and staff can wear non-school uniform with a red/white/blue theme. No fancy dress. All children have been gifted a special 80th Liberation Day pin badge and will bring this home on Thursday.

Other celebrations include:

- Year 6 will be attending a special Liberation Day sports event organised by Jersey Sport
- Year 6 have visited Jersey Archive linked to their history learning about the Occupation
- Next week, all children will be involved in an assembly delivered by Jersey Heritage about the Occupation
- Key Stage 2 children are attending a special music concert delivered by Music in Action on Thursday afternoon
- Children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 will have Penny Bryne, local author, to tell Liberation stories
- On Wednesday 7th May, there is a Liberation themed hot lunch for those children who have ordered lunches

We hope you enjoy your Liberation celebrations on Friday 9th May.

OPAL – Platinum

We have fantastic news to share. OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) is our lunchtime play curriculum which enriches children's play and development. We work with the charity OPAL and last week, Neil from OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) came over from the UK to assess the impact and progress of our play provision at lunchtime. We were delighted that we were awarded our second Platinum award, showing the very highest level of quality of our play provision. A huge well done to our play team, led by Mrs Hannah. This week, we welcomed the Year 6 parents into school to join in with an OPAL play session.

More information about OPAL can be found on our website and on this link:

<https://www.samares.sch.je/page/?title=OPAL+%2D+Outdoor+Play+and+Learning&pid=54>

St Clement's Community Programme

The first skateboard and football sessions took place last Friday. So many children attended and enjoyed the activities. There are five more sessions on the dates below. All are welcome!

Schedule:

- Skateboarding with Skateboard Jersey: 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM on Clos Mourant Estate
- Football on Samares School Astro turf: 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Dates:

- Friday 2nd May
- Friday 16th May
- Friday 23th May
- Friday 30th May
- Friday 6th June

Hot lunch food tasting

On Tuesday 6th May, the team for Apetito (our hot lunch provider) will be running a tasting session after school. All children and parents are welcome to come and taste food. If you aren't already signed up for hot lunches and want to sign up, we can support – please just reach out and we can support.

Term Dates

You can find the term dates by following the link below. School is closed on Monday 5th May and Friday 9th May due to bank holidays. INSET days for the next academic year are on Tuesday 2nd September, Thursday 11th September, Friday 12th September 2025 and Friday 13th February 2026. School will be shut to children on these days.

<https://www.gov.je/Education/Schools/SchoolLife/pages/termdates.aspx>

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or queries.

Many thanks,

Mrs Jenny Posner
Headteacher

