



Jessie Younghusband School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

As always we have had a busy term with so many fantastic things going on. I hope you enjoy reading about some of these in this newsletter. There will be many more wonderful opportunities next term too. The first one will be the whole school attending the Children's Music Concert at the Festival Theatre, funded by the JYS Friends, on the 15th January 2019.

We are preparing to say good-bye to Mrs Ellis, Miss Richardson and Mr Hellyer and to welcome Mrs Cooke (Yr4) and Mr White (Yr5) to our school. I am delighted to say that in the last few days we have also appointed Mr Roy Phillips to be our new Premises Officer. Mr Phillips will start with us towards the end of January and, in the meantime, we will have some temporary arrangements in place. I hope you will join me in wishing everyone the very best of success in whatever January brings for them.

Through your amazing generosity we have also raised a considerable amount of money for various charities and the school over this term. The lower school nativity play retiring collection raised £188.43 for Chestnut Tree House. We chose this charity in memory of Chloe Ferris who sadly lost her battle with cancer this time last year and our thoughts and prayers are with her family at this sad time

JYS Friends face-painting and cake sale raised £584.77 for Children in Need; our Christmas Jumper day made £152.25 for Save the Children; and an outstanding £1816.27 was raised by our new JYS Friends Committee at the Christmas Fayre. Thank you so much, this money will benefit so many children both in our school and around the country and we all had a lot of fun as well. I would also like pass on my thanks and appreciation to Lucy Cammack and Jessica Rides along with all of the people who so willingly gave up their time to enable the Christmas Fair to be such a success.

It just remains now to wish all of you a wonderful Christmas holiday and I hope that 2019 brings all of our families and staff health and happiness.

Mrs Sadler



Year 1 have had a brilliant autumn term! We loved our Forest Schools sessions at Brandy Hole Copse, where we learned so many new skills including how to whittle wood, light fires, cook on an open fire, build dens, climb trees and create art and crafts using natural materials. We also learned lots about the season of autumn and about woodland habitats at this time of year. Another highlight of

the term has been our African drumming lessons. We really enjoyed giving our drumming performance to parents, where we showed off the fantastic sense of rhythm and timing that we have developed. We have been working enthusiastically on our 'Toys' topic this half term and had a fun-packed 'special' morning exploring more about the history of toys when 'Paulinus the Wiseman' (Paul Ullson) visited Year 1 on the 29th November. We are also enjoying our current design and technology project; in which we are building our own moving 'Roly Poly' toys! *Mrs Neville.*



This term Year 4 have had a lot of fun learning about the mystery of the Maya and more recently learning about Chocolate! We have also been doing a lot of work around our PSHE topic of being kind to one another. The focus has been on how we can show kindness in different ways. We created freeze frames to demonstrate acts of kindness and Miss Richardson then made a display of these in the classroom. We have also started a Year 4 treat jar; if we fill it to the top we get an extra special treat of films, sweets and games for a whole afternoon! Alongside our work on kindness, we have really enjoyed looking at the history of chocolate, how chocolate is made and evaluating current chocolate bars. We've even designed our own chocolate bars! It has been a busy term with lots of learning. *Miss Richardson.*



As part of our island topic Year 2 learnt about Grace Darling. We tried to capture the power of the sea in our paintings by mixing colours and using small sponges for texture. We also had fun using the sea as a focus for our dance lessons. The different music clips told the changing story of the sea from being calm with children enjoying the beach, to the eruption of a storm, with huge waves and whistling winds. *Mrs Saunders.*

Year R were lucky enough to receive a visit from the Fire Service a couple of weeks ago. It is always touch and go as they very kindly factor school visits in to their working day but they are still on call in case of an emergency. It certainly provided the 'wow factor' to our Fire and Ice topic for this half term. On the build up to their visit we discussed fire safety in the class and how to keep safe at home. There are lots of hazards to be aware of, such as hot hobs, when keeping children safe at home. We also role played dialling 999 in an emergency if there is no adult around to help them. It was important for the children to learn this vital skill but also to understand what a real emergency is. The firefighters were really impressed with the children's prior knowledge but had a few new catchy phrases to teach the children too. However, I think it is safe to say that the children's highlight was being able to sit inside a real fire engine and take charge of the real hose. Lots of the teacher's cars got cleaned that day too! As a special treat, they gave all the children a plastic fire fighter helmet each to take home. *Mrs Appleby.*



Year 5 has been wonderful. One of our main highlights was Year 5 camp based around fun forces. We went to Paultons Park, did a workshop and had a go on the rides. In the evening we sat around the campfire eating smores and singing. Following on from fabulous forces, we learnt about remarkable rainforests. This involved learning about jungles, rainforests and their animals. We watched the banned Iceland advert about orangutans and how they're losing their homes and we all created our own posters about saving them. During this topic we also made smoothies and created a delightful dance with Rachel Boarer. In literacy we have been doing lots of exciting things. We had to write a persuasive letter to Cadburys about their Heroes box. We also researched a poem called The Tiger. Year 5 has been so much fun and a big thank you goes to Mrs Ellis and Mrs Orde. *By Alexandra and Jenny.*

Year 6 have had an action-packed half-term. We have learned about Charles Darwin, his voyage on HMS Beagle to the Galapagos Islands and how this helped Darwin to develop his theory of evolution. In literacy, we have written about some of the amazing species of animals he discovered on the island as well as creating and writing about our own islands with unique features and species. In art, we have created our



own versions of Darwin's finches using mixed media techniques. In DT, we have looked at how designers and engineers look at exciting products and modify them to make them more functional. Using a host of materials, we created prototype models and redesigned items in our classroom such as, white board rubbers, coat hooks and pencil cases. We even wrote persuasive adverts to help sell our products. In addition to this, we have been writing to our friends in Thailand as well as completing out Bikeability cycling training! *Mr Harman.*



Year 3 have settled superbly into life in Key Stage 2, beginning with their "Fairy Tales and Fiery-Tailed Dragons" topic at the start of the term. As well as writing their own fairy tale involving the mythical creatures, they created a dance based on the book "How to Train Your Dragon" and built their own models of the fire-breathing beasts from clay. Here are two particularly fearsome looking ones - the dragons that is, not the children! *Mr Vass.*

Sports News.....

From Mr Neaves

We were one of six teams playing football at Bishop Luffa on 23rd November in a Y3/Y4 tournament. Our strong team shone as they won all five of their games, pushing themselves hard to only concede one goal. We are grateful to the support and encouragement of the parents that turned out to stand in the cold, in particular Mr Dutton who coached the squad to victory!



On Tuesday 4th December, our Y6 squash team competed against three other schools in a squash-themed semi-final competition at Chichester Racquet and Squash Club. Showcasing their skills with a racquet and ball, our team excelled at the front hand drive and the paired rally, and competed well in new games such as "squetball" (mixture of squash and netball) and "squicket" (squash and cricket). We did so well in fact, that we are taking the squad back to the club on the 11th for the finals.

On Tuesday 11th December, our squash team competed again against Parkland, Funtington and The March to try and find the best school in the area. Although the children tried their best, overall, we were tied second with The March behind Funtington who won.

Twenty-two of our Y6 children headed down to Bishop Luffa to compete in the School Games on 10th December. The event was broken down into 12 events - 6 track and 6 field events - and the boys competed against boys from other schools, and the girls against girls. Children were allowed to compete in a maximum of 2 track and 2 field events only. There were obstacle races and relays. The girls then competed in the track events, whilst the boys competed in the field. The track events comprised of some relays, the "Paarlauf" and the "over/under" relay. (The Paarlauf is a tactical race where the two runners decide how to divide the 6 laps between them.) The field events included: chest push, standing long jump, standing triple jump, vertical jump, soft javelin and speed bounce. It was a noisy, fun and competitive event. We did very well, and were delighted to have been awarded third place.



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Spring Term 2019 – Diary Dates

w/c Monday 31st December	
Thursday 3 rd January	Term Begins
Friday 4 th January	Year 6 Paul Ullson visit 'World War Two'
w/c Monday 7th December	
Tuesday 8 th January	Karate Club begins Art Club begins – Year 1, 2 & 3 Pompey Football Club begins – Year 4, 5 & 6
Wednesday 9 th January	Chichester Forest School Club begins for Year 5 & 6
Thursday 10 th January	Swimming begins for Year 4 Art Club begins – Year 4, 5 & 6 Pompey Football begins – Year 1, 2 & 3
w/c Monday 14th January	
Monday 14 th January	Teacher led clubs begin this week
Tuesday 15 th January	'Childrens Concert' at Chichester Festival Theatre (KS1 10.45am & KS2 1.30pm)
Wednesday 16 th January	R'n'B begins – Year 5 & 6
Friday 18 th January	R'n'B begins Year 2, 3 & 4
w/c Monday 21st January	
Tuesday 22 nd January	'Future Flyers' 1.30pm – 3.30pm
w/c Monday 28th January	
Wednesday 30 th January	Year 4 Class Assembly
Thursday 31 st January	Fire Service to visit Year 1 – 9.00am
w/c Monday 4th February	
Monday 4 th February	Year 5 Paul Ullson visit 'Space'
Tuesday 5 th February	Year 5 trip 'Young Voices' Concert at the O2
Friday 8 th February	Year 4 Dance Display with Rachael Boarer – parents invited 9.00am
w/c Monday 11th February	
Wednesday 13 th February	Year 3 Dance Display with Rachael Boarer – parents invited 9.00am Year 1 Author Visit Jill Atkins – 1pm
Thursday 14 th February	Year 6 Magistrates Visit – Martin Tomlinson – 1pm to 3pm
Friday 15th February	INSET DAY
Half Term Friday 15th to Friday 22nd February	
w/c Monday 25th February	
w/c Monday 4th March	
w/c Monday 11th March	
Tuesday 12 th March	'Future Flyers' 1.30pm – 3.30pm
w/c Monday 18th March	
Wednesday 20 th March	Year 3 Class Assembly
w/c Monday 25th March	
Monday 25 th March	Last week of Teacher led clubs
Tuesday 26 th March	FGB 5.15pm
w/c Monday 1st April	
Tuesday 2 nd April	Last Pompey Football Club for Y4, 5 & 6
Wednesday 3 rd April	Last Chichester Forest School Club for Year 5 & 6
Thursday 4 th April	Last Pompey Football Club for Y1, 2 & 3 KS2 Disco
Friday 5 th April	Year 1 Dance Display with Rachael Boarer – parents invited 9.00am Term ends at 3.15pm

Spring Term 2019

Starts: Thursday 3rd January
Half Term: Friday 15th to Friday 22nd February
Ends: Friday 5th April
INSET day Friday 15th February

Summer Term 2019

Starts: Tuesday 23rd April
Half Term: Monday 27th to Friday 31st May
Ends: Friday 19th July
INSET days Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd July

Autumn Term 2019

Starts: Tuesday 3rd September
Half Term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November
Ends: Friday 20th December
INSET day(s) TBC

Please note that future term dates are available on the West Sussex Council website
<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/>

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