



Jessie Younghusband School



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Thursday 24th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome everyone back and extend a very warm welcome to all of our new families. It has been a very calm and settled start to the year, considering everything else that is going on right now, and we are all looking forward to all the exciting opportunities we have planned. We have already started our school trips, all according to CV-19 Risk Assessment and measures that we have in place.

As you may have seen, we have had another busy summer with lots of work going on, including some new fencing to help us be even more secure on the site. The children are enjoying the improvements to our pond area – a great big thank you to Mr Wilkins, our premises officer, who has already made a big impact to the school and the grounds in his first 6 months.

As ever, if you have any questions or concerns at any time please let us know. We are here to help you and to make sure that your child is happy and successful at Jessie Younghusband School.

Mr Neaves

Y3 Historical Tour of Chichester

As part of their "Chichester Through Time" theme, Year 3 went on a local history walk through the city centre last week. They found out about Chichester's Roman walls, the history of the cathedral, and many more facts about various different streets and buildings throughout the city as well. Did you know, for example, that members of a local group of 'pirates' were once sentenced to death in Priory Park's Guildhall after smuggling goods into the country illegally? The class covered a huge distance across the morning and there were some tired legs by the end of the trip - but lots of wide smiles as well!



Y2 Visit to Dell Quay



Year 2 spent a fabulous morning down at Dell Quay. The weather was beautiful, the tide was out, and the view from the jetty was magnificent. The children really enjoyed going onto the beach and looking for crabs and other creatures that were hiding beneath the rocks and amongst the seaweeds. Before returning the creatures back to the beach, the children built crab houses, some even had feather flags coming out of the top! After the beach hunt the children walked along the coastline to see the birds, boats and landscape that make the harbour a safe place. We all agreed that it truly was an area of outstanding natural beauty.

Harvest Festival

You will have seen in the recent Parent Mail letter, that we are once again supporting Chichester District's FoodBank. Donations can be brought into school on the morning of Tuesday 29th and Wednesday 30th September and placed on either the table by the hatted classroom, or by the fence outside the Year 3 classroom. The children will have a virtual assembly around the theme of Harvest towards the end of next week.

COVID-19 Advice for parents

Thank you for working with us to comply with the Corona Virus Risk Assessment arrangements by following the guidance and remembering to socially distance yourselves whilst on the school site. As we receive advice and guidance from the Government, we will pass it on to you through Parent Mail so that we can keep you up-to-date as much as we can. Currently, it looks as if every effort will be made to keep schools open, and we thank you all for your support over the past few weeks in trying to follow the guidance and to keep everyone in the community as safe as we can. Latest advice for parents can always be found by clicking on this link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-on-supporting-children-and-young-peoples-mental-health-and-wellbeing-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

Parking

You may be aware that the local council had been undertaking a review of parking arrangements across the city, but the results of this are in and we believe it is not going to have an impact on the area immediately around the school. However, we do respectfully ask that you always park with the safety of our children in mind and also with consideration to our neighbours.

Parent/Carer Contact Information

Just a reminder that if you change your address, phone number or email, please let the school office know about the changes asap so that we can update our records. Thank you.

Autumn Term 2020	
w/c Monday 28th September	
Monday 28 th September	'Bikeability' for Y6 – ALL WEEK
Thursday 1 st October	Census Day Year 1 Forest School at JYS
w/c Monday 5th October	
Monday 5 th October	Y6 Paul Ullson (History Man) WW2
Thursday 8 th October	Y1 Forest School at Brandy Hole Copse
Friday 9 th October	Y5 Paul Ullson (History Man) Roman Objects/Battle
w/c Monday 12th October	
Thursday 15 th October	Y1 Forest School at Brandy Hole Copse
w/c Monday 19th October	
Thursday 22 nd October	Nasal Flu Vacs YR to Y6 – am Y1 Forest School at Brandy Hole Copse
HALF TERM MONDAY 26TH OCTOBER TO Friday 30th OCTOBER	
w/c Monday 2nd November	
Monday 2nd November	INSET DAY
Thursday 5 th November	Y1 Forest School at Brandy Hole Copse
w/c Monday 9th November	
Tuesday 10 th November	Y2 Paul Ullson (History Man) Smugglers
Thursday 12 th November	Y1 Forest School at Brandy Hole Copse
w/c Monday 16th November	
Wednesday 18 th November	Whole School Individual Photographs by 'Frasers' all day
w/c Monday 23rd November	
Thursday 26 th November	Y1 Paul Ullson (History Man) 'Wiseman & Toys'
w/c Monday 30th November – Last week of clubs	
w/c Monday 7th December	
w/c Monday 14th December	
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term

Autumn Term 2020

Starts: Monday 7th September
Half Term: Monday 26th October to Friday 1st November
Ends: Friday 18th December
****INSET days Thursday 3rd and Friday 4th September and Monday 2nd November***

Spring Term 2021

Starts: Monday 4th January
Half Term: Monday 15th to Friday 19th February
Ends: Thursday 1st April
****INSET days Monday 22nd February***

Summer Term 2021

Starts: Monday 19th April
Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June
Ends: Friday 23rd July
INSET days to be confirmed

****The INSET day(s) are subject to any further guidance in respect of COVID-19 and Governor approval.***

***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/>***