



Jessie Younghusband School



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Friday 4th May 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was wonderful to see so many families at our recent grounds day. We were so lucky with the weather – a dry morning – which really helped us to get lots of jobs done. The grounds are looking really tidy now as, hopefully, the warmer spring weather arrives.

I have also heard from a number of parents keen to help in different ways but with an understanding of the budget pressures on schools. We are always very grateful for any ideas you may have for fund raising. Money raised through Friends and in other ways makes such a big difference to what we are able to do to give our school such a rich and exciting learning environment. If you have any ideas please do get in touch. You will see later in the newsletter that we are having a parents meeting next week to start planning for the summer fair. This is our biggest fund raising event of the year but is also a wonderful celebration of our community spirit and is always very well attended and enjoyed by everyone. It cannot happen without your help so please come along on Friday 11th May at 8.45am and get involved. If that time is difficult for you please drop an email or note into the office and we will pass your name on to Mrs Turner. Help is needed to prepare for the event as well as on the day. I hope to see you there.

Mrs Sadler

Grounds Day

Thank you to everyone who came on Saturday morning to help with our Grounds Day. It was a wonderful turnout and we achieved a great amount in order for our grounds to look so good. Grounds Day also provides an opportunity for the children to earn one point to go on their JYS badge total.



Bicycles and Scooters

Please may we remind you that for health and safety reasons both adults and children should not be riding their bikes or scooters on the path from the back gate to the main entrance or anywhere else on the school grounds. If you are bringing your bike on to the site, please could we ask that you dismount whilst walking through – Thank you.

Easter Egg Raffle

On the last day of the spring term, we held an Easter egg raffle for the children which they all thoroughly enjoyed. We raised a wonderful amount of £205 for 'Friends of JYS'. A big thank you to everyone who contributed chocolate eggs for the raffle.



Our 'Summer Fair' will be held on Friday 6th July
More details to follow....

Friends of JYS Coffee Morning – planning for the summer fayre

There is a Friends coffee morning on Friday 11th May at 8.45am. It will be an opportunity to discuss the summer fair and any other Friends business. Please do come along and we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible.





Marathon Success

On Sunday 22nd April Miss Glass, our Year 5 TA took part in the London Marathon. She was raising money for 'Tommy's' the baby charity. Miss Glass had an entourage of supportive family and friends cheering her on and she ran the 26.2 miles in an amazing time of 6 hours and 21 minutes and 19 seconds. Well Done Miss Glass, we are all very proud of you!

Chichester University Cake Sale

For the last year, we have been fortunate enough to have 3 students from Chichester University to help with our pond/wildlife area. Natalie, Shuva and Ryan come once a week and work very hard in making it a usable area for the children to explore. On Tuesday after school, they kindly organised a cake sale together with the Eco Club team. They raised almost £90.00 which will go towards maintaining the pond and wildlife area.



Attendance Policy – Late Arrival

We are pleased to inform you that since we let you know about the changes to our attendance/late policy, there has been a reduction with the attendance/late arrivals throughout the school. Here is a reminder about the changes:

*'The Governors have agreed some changes to our Attendance Policy so that it is in line with guidance from West Sussex on the recording of children arriving late for school. These changes came in to effect on Monday 16th April and the policy is now available to read on the school website. As before, the doors on the playground open for children at 8.35am and children are expected in class when the registers are taken by 8.45am. If your child arrives after 8.50am, they will need to report to the school office to be signed in before going to the classroom; this will be marked as 'late' (L). Children arriving after 9.00am will be marked as an unauthorised late (U). The Local Authority treat unauthorised late marks in the same way as absences from school and the law states, those children who miss 10 or more sessions in a 10 week period; due to unauthorised absences, may be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN). If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. **Please also note that a number of FPN's have been issued this term for holidays taken during term time which we would just like to remind you are unauthorised.***



Trees and Trim Trail

Please can we remind you that children need to be supervised by parents/carers before and after school whilst playing on the trim trail as we have no staff available to be in the playground at this time. Also, we have a lot of beautiful trees on site. We don't want to spoil your fun but some of them are young and not very strong, others are quite old and fragile therefore could we ask that children do not climb the trees as we need to respect and look after them – thank you for your cooperation.

Diary Dates

Please see below for a list of dates for your diary for this term. Dates will be added as the term goes by so please keep an eye on any updates/changes.

Thank you.

Summer Term 2018 - Diary Dates

| w/c Monday 7th May | |
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| Monday 7 th May | BANK HOLIDAY – School closed |
| Tuesday 8 th May | 'School Games' at Bishop Luffa |
| Wednesday 9 th May | Year R 'Stay and Play' am |
| Wednesday 9 th May | Year 1 walk to Chichester Market – am |
| Thursday 10 th May | Year 1 'Stay and Learn' – 9.00am – 9.30am |
| Thursday 10 th May | Future Flyers at Westgate |
| Friday 11 th May | 'Friends of JYS' meeting 8.45am – all welcome to join us for tea and coffee to discuss the Summer Fair and other Friends business |
| Friday 11 th May | Year 5 – Paul Ullson (Alien Day) |
| w/c Monday 14th May | |
| Monday 14 th May | KS2 SATS |
| Tuesday 15 th May | KS2 SATS |
| Tuesday 15 th May | Last Pompey Football Club for Yr 3 & 4 |
| Wednesday 16 th May | KS2 SATS |
| Thursday 17 th May | KS2 SATS |
| Thursday 17 th May | Last Pompey Football Club for Yr 1 & 2 |
| Friday 18 th May | Year 6 Treat Day after SATS |
| w/c Monday 21st May | |
| Friday 25 th May | Open Afternoon – 1.30pm |
| w/c Monday 28th May | |
| Half Term Monday 28 th to Friday 1 st June | |
| w/c Monday 4th June | |
| Tuesday 5 th June | Pompey Football club begins for Yr 3 & 4 |
| Wednesday 6 th June | Year R Class Assembly – 8.55am |
| Thursday 7 th June | Pompey Football club begins for Yr 1 & 2 |
| w/c Monday 11th June | |
| Wednesday 13 th June | Year 1 Class Assembly – 8.55am |
| Friday 15 th June | Whole School Sports Day and Picnic |
| w/c Monday 18th June | |
| Tuesday 19 th June | Year 6 Open Cricket at Goodwood 1pm – 4pm |
| Thursday 21 st June | Author Visit, Year 1 & 2 at Chichester Library – 10am – 11am and 1.30pm – 2.30pm |
| Friday 22 nd June | <i>Back up day for Whole School Sports Day if adverse weather on Friday 15th June</i> |
| w/c Monday 25th June | |
| Tuesday 26 th June | Year 2 Class Assembly – 8.55am |
| Thursday 28 th June | Paul Ullson Year 3 – Greeks am |
| w/c Monday 2nd July | |
| Tuesday 3 rd July | Year 4 Class Assembly – 8.55am |
| Tuesday 3 rd July | Last Pompey Football session for Yr 3 & 4 |
| Thursday 5 th July | Future Flyers at Westgate |
| Thursday 5 th July | Last Pompey Football session for Yr 1 & 2 |
| Friday 6 th July | 'Summer Fair' 5pm to 7pm |
| w/c Monday 9th July | |
| Tuesday 10 th July | Year 5 Class Assembly – 8.55am |
| Wednesday 11 th July | Last R'n'B session for Yr 5 & 6 |
| Wednesday 11 th July | Year R Pizza Express trip |
| Thursday 12 th July | KS2 Disco |
| Friday 13 th July | Last R'n'B session for Yr 2, 3 & 4 |
| w/c Monday 16th July | |
| Friday 20 th July | Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 2pm (TBC) |
| Friday 20 th July | Last day of term |
| Monday 23 rd & Tuesday 24 th July | INSET Days |

Summer Term 2018

Starts: Monday 16th April
 Half Term: w/c Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June
 Ends: Friday 20th July
INSET days Monday 23rd and Tuesday 24th July

Autumn Term 2018

Starts: Tuesday 4th September
 Half Term: Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October
 Ends: Wednesday 19th December
INSET days Monday 3rd September (other dates 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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