



Jessie Younghusband School

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Monday 15th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that 2018 has started well for you. We have begun this term working on setting goals with the children and have also introduced our six key 'learning behaviours' – determination, resilience, perseverance, positivity, effort and focus. These are underpinned by our school values: *Aspire ~ Respect ~ Enjoy*. All of these further develop the work we started last term on Growth Mindset. Our assemblies over this term will help the children understand what these attitudes mean and how they might use them to be even more successful in their learning.

We have also introduced a new House Team system. The children now belong to one of four house teams: **Maple**, **Oak**, **Ash**, and **Beech**. These are also represented by different colours. We started working house teams at the start of term with some activities that enabled the children to earn points for their team. These were collected together and the team with the most points won the House Team Cup for that week. This will be our routine at the end of each week. The children can earn points by displaying one of the school values or the learning qualities. These will not be easy to earn! In time, we may develop the system further but for now we want everyone to get used to the idea of belonging to a House Team. To lead the teams we have Year 6 Team Captains. These children were chosen by the teachers because they had shown themselves to be excellent role models and to have the skills to lead and support the other children in their team. 'Well Done' to Sophie and Adam – Oak Team Captains; Cady and Ioan – Ash Team Captains; Edward and Verity Beech Team Captains; Ellie and Madeleine H – Beech Team Captains.

Although we have no specific plans as yet we anticipate that our new arrangements for sports day this year will utilise this House Team structure – we will keep you posted on that. *Mrs Sadler*



Introducing Mr Hellyer our new Premises Officer

You may have seen Ray Hellyer our new Premises Officer out and about the school. Ray has written a few words to introduce himself...

I am married to Claire and we will celebrate our 30th wedding anniversary in June this year. Claire currently works as an Admin Officer for The University of Chichester. I have one son, Matthew who is currently undertaking an Engineering Apprenticeship. I have previously worked as the Head Gardener at Chichester Crematorium, a Health Care Assistant at St. Richards Hospital, and various jobs within the treasurer's Dep't at WSCC. As well as

Premises Officer at JYS, I am also working for myself doing gardening and general maintenance work. My hobbies include mountain biking, canoeing, mountain walking (UK and abroad), photography, reading (mainly Non-fiction) and collecting militaria. I am really looking forward to working at JYS and getting to know you all.

Access to the School Office

Could we remind everyone that if you need to speak with the ladies in the school office or bring in medicines, etc., at drop off or collection times in the morning or afternoon, that access is via the front door only. This is to ensure the security of the building and safety. It also means that all visitors and parents can be helped at the office window. Some parents are coming to the office door though the library and we must request that everyone walks around to the front door. Thank you for your understanding.

Collection for Chloe – Chestnut Tree House

Chloe's parents, Mr and Mrs Ferris requested that no flowers were sent to Chloe's special service on Friday 5th January. Instead they have asked for donations to be made to Chestnut Tree House who have given invaluable support and care to the family. We are having a collection and if any parents would like to make a donation there will be an envelope in the school office until Monday 22nd January. Please make cheques payable to Chestnut Tree House. This will be forwarded on to Chestnut Tree House later that week.



Parking

Please could we remind everyone to park respectfully and politely in the Norwich/Worcester Road area. We have had local residents informing us that there has been unsafe and inconsiderate parking at the start and end of the day. They would like the following points passed on:

- Please do not block driveways
- Do not park on the yellow lines
- Do not park on the pavements

Attached to this newsletter is a map showing the safe areas to park

Thank You

Mr Vaughan and Mrs Marchant would like us to pass on a huge 'thank you' to everyone for their leaving gifts and kind words.

Parent Consultation Meetings – 5th and 7th March - 3.30pm 6pm

We want to give parents as much advance notice as possible of this term's parent consultation meetings. **These will take place on Monday 5th and Wednesday 7th March.** There will be very limited capacity for meetings to be arranged on other days so please put these dates on your calendars! We will email you after half term to let you know when the lists of available times will be located outside the classrooms. We hope you find the meetings useful.

Career Opportunities in Education

We have been asked by WSCC to share the following information with you:

Are you or is someone you know interested in training to be a teacher? Are you a teacher looking for a new post? Are you interested in the new Teaching Apprenticeships? Want to know more about being a school bursar, teaching assistant, learning mentor, working in SEN roles or clerk for a governing body? Are you interested in working for our Adult Education team? Have you considered being a school governor?

West Sussex CC is holding 2 Recruitment Events on Saturday 3rd February at Fontwell Park Racecourse and on Saturday 24th February at Ifield Community College in Crawley. Both events will run from 10.00 – 2.00pm. Come along and meet schools, universities and others organisations to find out about the many roles in West Sussex schools. For more information go to www.westsussex.gov.uk/jobsinschools where you can also find details of who will be at each event.

Please see our school diary dates on the next page.....

Spring Term 2018 - Diary Dates

w/c Monday 15 th January	
Monday 15 th January	'Jaws and Claws' – Year 5 1.30pm
Tuesday 16 th January	Year R screening 9am (NHS Nurses)
Tuesday 16 th January	Team of Year 3 & 4 pupils to Chichester University for Football match. 1pm – 3pm
Tuesday 16 th January	Children's concert at Chichester Festival Theatre (advance tickets only)
Wednesday 17 th January	R'n'B starts
Thursday 18 th January	Year 5/6 six pupils to Westgate 'Future Flyers' 1.30pm – 3.30pm
Thursday 18 th January	Year 5 – United Voices performance at Chichester Festival Theatre 6pm
w/c Monday 22 nd January	
Monday 22 nd January	Cross Country at Bishop Luffa
Thursday 25 th January	KS2 Parents in for Maths session 2pm – 3pm
w/c Monday 29 th January	
Thursday 1 st February	Paul Ullson – Year 1 'Materials'
Thursday 1 st February	E-safety information meeting for parents – Bishop Luffa 6pm
w/c Monday 5 th February	
Monday 5 th February	Author David Fuller visiting KS2
Tuesday 6 th February	Cricket Competition at Regis School 1pm -3.30pm
Wednesday 7 th February	R'n'B – Wednesday and Friday group together
Wednesday 7 th February	Book Fair
Thursday 8 th February	Year 5 Novium visit – all day
Thursday 8 th February	Children break up for half term
Friday 9 th February	INSET Day (R'n'B club to join Wednesday 7 th February session)
Half Term - Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th February	
Monday 19 th February	Back to school
Monday 19 th February	Year 5 Novium visit – all day
Thursday 22 nd February	KS2 Maths Open Afternoon 2.15pm – details to follow
w/c Monday 26 th February	
Monday 26 th February	Year 5 Novium visit – all day
Tuesday 27 th February	Paul Ullson – Year 3 'Pirates'
Saturday 3 rd March	Swimming Gala at Westgate Centre – 6pm
w/c Monday 5 th March	
Monday 5 th March	No Teacher led clubs this week
Monday 5 th March	Parent Teacher Consultations
Tuesday 6 th March	Year 1 Trip to Weald and Downland
Wednesday 7 th March	Parent Teacher Consultations
Thursday 8 th March	Year 2 trip to Beaulieu
Friday 9 th March	Year 5 Novium visit – all day
w/c Monday 12 th March	
Monday 12 th March	Last Teacher led clubs this week
Saturday 17 th March	Provisional 'Grounds Day' tbc
w/c Monday 19 th March	
Tuesday 20 th March	Full Governing Body meeting 5.15pm
Thursday 22 nd March	Year 2 – Little Big Sing
w/c Monday 26 th March	
Monday 26 th March	World Book Day
Wednesday 28 th March	R'n'B last session (Wednesday & Friday Group together)
Thursday 29 th March	Last Swimming for Year 4 Term Ends 3.15pm

Spring Term 2018

Starts: Thursday 4th January
 Half Term: Friday 9th to Friday 16th February
 Ends: Thursday 29th March
INSET day Friday 9th February

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

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/>