



Jessie Younghusband School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It seems hard to believe that we only have 5 weeks remaining of this year. I am sure everyone is looking forward to the summer break but we have a lot to 'pack in' before the end of term! Details of some of these events, in particular our 'Wild West' themed summer fair, are included below. We really do appreciate any help you can give to making these events successful both in terms of community activities that bring us all together but also for the money which is raised. We have got some really exciting projects planned for the coming months which we could not do without your donations through events such as these.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our fun whole school sports day, we really appreciated all the positive feedback about this event. It certainly was really lovely to see all the children involved in the activities with excellent teamwork clearly in evidence. We were really keen to make sure that this was a fully inclusive event that involved all of the children but with a competitive edge - an approach that is strongly promoted by the School Games Mark, an award which we are working on to demonstrate our inclusive approach in using the Sports Premium Grant to increase and enhance all children's involvement in physical activity.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible over the next few weeks.

Mrs Sadler

Grounds Day – Saturday 30th June

One Saturday morning each term, we encourage our families to help us to manage the school grounds, giving our outdoor spaces a special, community and shared feel. If you haven't been to a Grounds Day recently, or wish to come for the first time, our next one is on Saturday 30th June from 9.00am – 12.00pm. All families are welcome to join us as we dig, tidy and smarten up our grounds. Tea, coffee, doughnuts and biscuits keep us going and if any parent is willing to help Mrs Sadler with the refreshments sometime between 10am and 11am, then please let the office know. Please come and join in the fun! Even if you are only able to spend an hour or so with us, it will help us to prepare the grounds for the rest of the autumn term. Grounds Days also provide an opportunity for the children to earn one point to go on their JYS badge total.



Sports Day

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our whole school sports day! The weather was very kind to us and a wonderful morning was had by all, ending with a lovely picnic on the field. Congratulations to all the children who took part. It was fantastic to see everyone joining in and such great teamwork as well. A special thanks goes to the students from Bishop Luffa who helped make this such a success. Well done to Oak who were the very first winners of our new Sports Day Trophy.

Development Plans for the Playground

With the help of specific funding with the Sports Premium Grant to support physical activity for pupils, plus agreement by JYS Friends to match fund this allocation, we are delighted to announce that considerable work will be taking place over the summer holidays to replace some of our aging 'active play' resources. There are three refreshed areas to look forward to:

- 1) A 'new look' to the old sensory garden – the installation of weatherproof flooring and a bridge, play house and climbing wall to the rear, (with new seating and planting to the front at a later date).
- 2) Double health walker and slalom ski 'outdoor gym' equipment - to be installed near our larger trim trail, and
- 3) A replacement wooden play boat for our much loved 'Jolly Jess'.

We are also very grateful for your fantastic generosity at our recent 'Open Afternoon' – this raised just over £500 and has enabled us to purchase some weatherproof benches which are soon to be delivered for our pond and wildlife area. Plus, there are plans to provide an all-weather outside table tennis table for our older pupils. As those who attended the recent Friends meeting will be aware, we are hopeful of being successful with a lottery bid application, aimed at facilitating and extending the outdoor learning opportunities in our courtyard area - so fingers crossed for news of more developments this coming Autumn!

Contact us at office@jys.org.uk 01243 782192



Year 4's Trip to Pallant House Gallery

Last Friday, Year 4 visited Pallant House Gallery to focus on a painting by Michael Andrews entitled 'Thames Painting, The Estuary'. This was to link with our topic focus on rivers. The large mixed-media painting was a big hit with the children and they are looking forward to creating their own inspired versions later this term. In addition, the children thoroughly enjoyed a tour of the gallery and looking at other artwork.



Sun Cream and Hats

As the weather is warming up, please may we gently remind parents that sun protection cream needs to be applied to your child before they arrive at school. Also, could they please bring in a named hat for break times. Thank you.

Year 5 – Innocent Smoothies

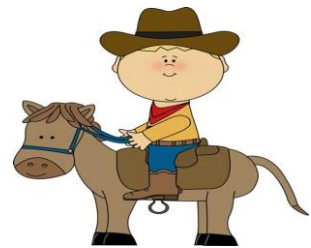
Earlier this year, Year 5 were sent some seed kits from Innocent. We grew cress, spinach and peas - and posted our efforts on Twitter with #GIY (grow it yourself). To reward them for being April's top growers, Innocent sent us boxes of their smoothies to sample!



Summer Fair

This is being held on Friday 6th July from 5pm to 7pm with a 'Wild West' theme! We would be grateful for donations of prizes for our various

stalls. If you are able to donate any bottles, teddies, Pimms for the Pimms tent, and small prizes for the lucky dip then please drop them in to the school office. Also needed are jars of any sizes filled with anything you like, i.e. sweets, crayons or marbles. Donations may be left at the School Office at any time. We would love some volunteer helpers to help with the preparation of the fair, so if you can help, please contact Marion Turner, Chair of 'Friends of JYS' mazzat55@hotmail.com further details can also be found on the 'Friends of JYS' Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/groups/JYSFriends> or through the school office.



PARKING in Norwich Road and Worcester Road

Please may we remind you of the need to park both safely and considerately when you or other members of your family drop off or collect your children. We do have recommended parking arrangements. If it is not possible for the adult to walk from these places, please ensure that they do not park around the junction area, on pavements or in a way that limits access to neighbour's drive entrances. We would be grateful if this could be brought to the attention of any grandparents, childminders or other people who need to use a vehicle to drop off or collect your child.

Please also be aware that parking around the junction opposite the school (Norwich Road and Worcester Road) significantly reduces visibility and therefore puts children's lives at risk when they are crossing the road. Unfortunately, some people park in ways that are also very inconsiderate to our neighbours and other members of the community. This often results in irate calls to school where that person takes out their annoyance on school staff which is extremely unfair.

We have no authority over the road outside of school and can only call on each person's sense of concern for safety, and respect for others, to park in a safe and considerate way. ***To those of you who do this 'Thank you', the children and staff at JYS really appreciate your support.***

***Please see diary dates on the next page.
Thank you.***

<u>Summer Term 2018 - Diary Dates</u>	
w/c Monday 18th June	
Tuesday 19 th June	Year 3 Class Assembly – 8.55am
Tuesday 19 th June	Year 6 (small group) Open Cricket at Goodwood 1pm – 4pm
Thursday 21 st June	Author Visit, Year 1 & 2 at Chichester Library – 9.30am – 11.30am and 1.00pm – 2.30pm
Friday 22 nd June	Year 4 walking to River Lavant - am
w/c Monday 25th June	
Tuesday 26 th June	Year 2 Class Assembly – 8.55am
Tuesday 26 th June	Year 5 Rounders at Bishop Luffa 1pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday 27 th June	Year 2 'Minibeast Day' Jaws 'N' Claws visiting 1pm
Thursday 28 th June	Paul Ullson Year 3 – Greeks am
Friday 29 th June	Selected pupils from Y5 & Y6 Baseball at Oaklands Park 1pm – 4pm
Saturday 30 th June	Grounds Day 9am – 12pm
w/c Monday 2nd July	
Tuesday 3 rd July	Year 4 Class Assembly – 8.55am
Tuesday 3 rd July	Governors Tea Party for Staff – 3.30pm followed by FGB
Tuesday 3 rd July	Last Pompey Football session for Yr 3 & 4
Wednesday 4 th July	'Transition Day'
Thursday 5 th July	Future Flyers at Westgate
Thursday 5 th July	Last Pompey Football session for Yr 1 & 2
Thursday 5 th July	Year 4 Author visit (Neil Layton) at Chichester High
Friday 6 th July	'Summer Fair' 5pm to 7pm
w/c Monday 9th July	
Tuesday 10 th July	Year 5 Class Assembly – 8.55am
Tuesday 10 th July	Last Karate session
Wednesday 11 th July	Last R'n'B session for Yr 5 & 6
Wednesday 11 th July	Year R Pizza Express trip – all day
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	
Tuesday 17 th July	Summer Reading Challenge Assembly – 9am
Tuesday 17 th July	Year 6 performance of 'Keymaster' - 6pm (dress rehearsal 2pm)
Friday 20 th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly – 2pm
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/>