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NEWSLETTER



Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

I hope you and your families are all keeping safe and well.

We've enjoyed the stories that many of the KS1 children have been sharing with us this week and also the amazing artwork using recycled card that many of the children have produced - the creative ideas have been fabulous to see!

Following Boris' announcement earlier this week, I wanted to confirm that we won't be open to any pupils during half-term. We will also be closed to ALL pupils on Monday 22nd February as we have an Inset day. Provision for our vulnerable and critical worker children will be available from Tuesday 23rd February.

We, like you, hope it will be safe to commence the reopening of Jolesfield to all pupils from Monday 8th March, but this will be driven by the Government.

Simon Trahern

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REMINDERS

INSET DAYS

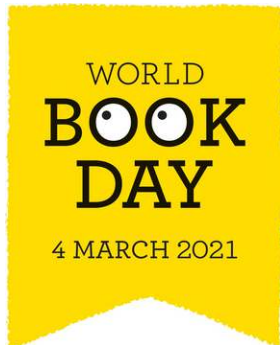
Academic Year 2020 - 2021

22nd February, 1st April, 21st June

Academic Year 2021 - 2022

2nd September, 3rd September, 4th January, 28th February, 20th June

OTHER INFORMATION



WORLD BOOK DAY

Despite the current pandemic, World Book Day is going ahead on Thursday 4th March. At the moment we don't know if school will be open to all children by this date, but we'd like to celebrate the day in some way so I wanted to give you some advance notice. We are still planning the format of the day, but do encourage your children to start to think about their favourite book character, as it would be lovely to see them in costumes either online or in person! Further details to follow.

SIGN2SING

Sign2sing is the annual fundraising event, organised by the deaf health charity SignHealth. It's the only mass participation signing event in the UK, and one that many of you will have participated in before. Due to the current pandemic, fundraising for this charity has been limited so we would love to support them by taking part in a virtual sign2sing event instead. Mrs Carey is discussing a holding a joint event with QEII School, and this will take place after half-term. A separate letter will be sent out to you over the next couple of weeks with further information.



PARENT SURVEY

Despite the lockdown, the Governing Body is continuing to work behind the scenes to support the Senior Leadership Team in progressing the school and make it the best learning environment possible for your children. They would very much appreciate a couple of minutes of your time and your feedback on the school's vision, values and Christian ethos. Please click here to access the short questionnaire : <https://forms.gle/HUwzjdMCYEX3FtfD9>

Thought for the Week

I hope you have enjoyed the story about Jonah and the Whale that Rev. Alison and Rev. Sally have shared with us this week.

During the current lockdown we find ourselves in a similar situation to Jonah who was trapped inside the whale for days. Jonah prayed for God's help and he was released. At the moment we are unable to go about our daily routines as we would like, but with continued hope and prayers, we look forward to the day we can all return to school, and are able to enjoy full and exciting days with our extended family and friends once again.



"Don't worry about the bits you can't understand.
Sit back and allow the words to wash around you, like music"

Roald Dahl, Matilda