NEWSLETTER



Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

One of the many lovely things about a small, village primary school is the relationships children develop not just across their class but across different year groups too. I love to see children from different year groups playing and learning together. Soon, I will be able to share with you the results of a project our school ambassadors are helping with to develop our playground further. This will create more opportunities for relationships to build through play, across the school. 'Buddies' is one of the systems we have in place to build relationships. Currently, our Year 6 children are supporting their Reception buddy through assisting with sewing skills to jointly produce a felt teddy bear. In addition, Year 6 regularly enjoy sharing a book with Year 1 children.



Curriculum Spotlight

Our curriculum is collaborative. A super example of this is the amazing, toy museum event Year R and Year 1 planned together. All the children worked together to create roles, display their homework and set up the exhibition. This included an admissions desk, labelled exhibits, a gift shop and security guards. Year 2 and Year 3 were grateful visitors, although we were all slightly confused by the admissions system that gave us money to enter!







Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect

REMINDERS

SCHOOL SHOES



We've noticed a number of children coming into school wearing inappropriate shoes; quite a few are in coloured/white trainers and some are wearing boots. A reminder that sensible black school shoes should be worn unless there are exceptional circumstances, and permission has been granted by your child's class teacher.



INDUSTRIAL ACTION - 1ST FEBRUARY

As communicated to you all yesterday at this stage, our teachers, who are members of the NEU, have indicated that it is not their intention to strike on 1st February. Therefore, the running of the school will continue as normal. This information only pertains to the 1st February; we will keep you updated regarding the possibility of action on subsequent dates.

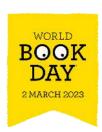
YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL

We kindly request that all deposits are paid by the end of this week. If you know you haven't yet made this deposit, could you please action at your earliest convenience.

Y4/5 STONE AGE - IRON AGE WORKSHOP

A gentle reminder that we would like all voluntary contributions to be made for this workshop before we break up for the half-term break. Thank you for your ongoing support.

OTHER INFORMATION



WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day is being held on Thursday 2nd March, when children of all ages will come together to share the joy of reading for pleasure. Every child will be given a book token (valid from 16th February - 26th March '23) which they can swap for a World Book Day book at a local book shop. We invite the children to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book. Please encourage them to think about which character they'd like to choose over the half-term break.

Y6 BIKEABILITY LEVEL 1 & 2 TRAINING COURSE

Our Year 6 children will be participating in Bikeability Training from 20th - 24th March. Historically, the cost of this training has been met by West Sussex, however going forward the cost is being passed onto schools. We are incredibly grateful to the JSA who has kindly agreed to pay for this once again (£20.00 per child), meaning that the course fee doesn't have to be passed onto parents.





FOREST SCHOOL

Look out for details as we approach half-term of forest school starting. Again, kindly funded by the JSA, Mr Clarke will be leading forest school sessions, starting after half-term. We are aiming for all children from Year R to Year 4 to be able to develop skills through the forest school programme.

PG PRE-SCHOOL BINGO - 27TH JANUARY

It's not too late to buy tickets to tomorrow's Bingo evening at the PG Village Hall with **CASH PRIZES**!

£10 for 8 games (tickets available on the door) plus we will be running a raffle on the night as well, so come and bag yourself a great prize!

BYO alcohol/snacks (£5 corkage per table/group)

We will be serving soft drinks as well as tea and coffee!

Doors open 7:30PM, eyes down at 8PM

Please email pgpreschool14@gmail.com or message us to let us know you would like to reserve a table.

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

27th January - Y5/6 Cross Country @ Windlesham House School (invite only)

30th January - Y3/4 Boys' Football @ SGS (invite only)

31st January - WS Fire & Rescue (YR, 2 & 5 only)

2nd February - Y3/4 Girls' Football Match @ Jolesfield (invite only)

w/c 6th February - Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

6th February - Y5/6 Netball @ SGS (invite only)

7th/8th February - Dogs Trust - 'Dog Detective' Workshops (Y2-6)

8th February - Y5 Diversity Conference @ SGS (invite only)

10th February - Y4/5 Cross Country @ Windlesham House (invite only)

10th February - EYFS/KS1 & KS2 JSA Discos

13th - 17th February - Half Term

22nd February - Ash Wednesday

24th February - Y4/5 Stone Age to Iron Age Workshop

27th February - Y5/6 Netball @ SGS (invite only)

2nd March - World Book Day

8th March - Astracolour (individual photos)

w/c 20th March - Y6 Bikeability Course

w/c 20th March - Scholastic Books - Book Fair



JSA NEWS

Disco (10th February) - Tickets are available from the JSA Hut priced at £5.00. Entry includes face painting, drinks, snacks and sweets. Glowies are available for sale before each disco. If you have any questions, please contact the JSA via email - jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com.

PG Panto (15th, 17th & 18th February) - The JSA is helping out with selling merchanise and raffle tickets at the PG Panto this year. If anyone can help with this, please let a member of the JSA know.

Cake Raffle - Tickets are still only 50p each, available from the JSA hut on Friday mornings. If you enjoy baking, please consider joining the rota!

Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile - If you do any online shopping, pleas sign up to these great schemes; they both donate money to the school, without it costing you any more money. Just go to the website or download the App and choose Jolesfield as your charity.



Thought for the Week

Our worship theme for this half-term has been courage. The children have been honest about the situations or events which have made them feel anxious or afraid. We have explored how difficult it can be to share these feelings and what can help. We have found this Bible verse helpful: 'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.' Joshua 1 v9



KS1 5.45 - 6.45 KS2 7.00 - 8.00 TICKETS FROM THE JSA HUT, JSA FB PAGE, JOLESFIELDJSA@GMAIL.COM









2023

PRIZES!

FRIDAY 27TH JANUARY 2023 PG VILLAGE HALL DOORS 7:30 (EYES DOWN 8PM)

£10 for 8 games (tickets available on the door)



Soft drinks, tea and coffees available to buy

Bring your own alcoholic drinks and snacks (£5 corkage fee per table)

Email pgpreschool14@gmail.com if you would like to reserve a table for a group!