

16TH MARCH 2023

# NEWSLETTER



## Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



### Headteacher's Message

Our school vision of 'To create an inclusive Christian community where children develop a love of learning, grow into confidence and flourish' has been in evidence throughout the last two weeks! Year 2 and Year 3 took part in a locality bench ball tournament, where undaunted by some much older and taller children, they showed excellent resilience and teamwork skills. Our new initiative to promote times tables fluency of 'Rock King or Queen' has also been met with enthusiasm. Each week, Mr Taylor is selecting someone who has made excellent progress, effort or a high level of attainment on Times Tables Rock Stars. Quick recall of times tables is a factor of good attainment in maths as so many areas of maths require good knowledge.

Congratulations to our first two Kings: William Greenland and Archie Edwards. Our Year 1 children are flourishing in forest school, learning how to saw wood and use hand drills, plus, loving getting wet and muddy along the way!



### Curriculum Spotlight

Our curriculum is progressive with each element sequenced to allow children to build up skills and knowledge. Teachers are often asked how they manage this when two year groups are combined. Year 1 and 2 DT is a good example.

The year 1s practised the skills of weaving and wool wrapping on a loom, where as Year 2 have applied the same skills, but extended through the context of planning a thematic link, hence you can see Matthew's lovely outcome inspired by the night sky.



Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect

# REMINDERS

## PARENTS' EVENINGS

As previously communicated, Parents' Evenings are being held next Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st March. The online booking system is now 'live', so please make an appointment to meet with your child/ren's class teacher if you haven't already done so. Feedback from our previous parental survey suggested that some parents felt they were not being kept informed enough of their child's progress. We have listened to this and therefore have a copy of more specific attainment information to share. Feedback forms will also be available as we continue to develop this area.



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR - W/C 20TH MARCH

We will be holding a book fair after school on 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd March. Books will be sold in the school hall on the Monday and Tuesday, and on the top playground (weather permitting) on the Wednesday and Thursday. We will be able to accept card payments. Thank you for supporting this fundraising event.

## WEAR A HAT DAY

We would like to invite all children to take part in Wear A Hat Day for brain tumour support on Friday 31st March. We're hoping that all children (and staff!) join in by wearing a hat, for a £1 (or more!) donation.

Sennen in Grasshopper Class will also be selling the official pin badges and wristbands for £1.00 each on the playground from 27th - 30th March. Please be aware that, unfortunately, card transactions aren't possible, it's cash only!



## OTHER INFORMATION

### RED NOSE DAY - 17TH MARCH



If you've purchased a red nose for your child, they are welcome to bring this to school to wear at breaktime/lunchtime. Your child/ren is also welcome to come to school wearing a red item of clothing to support this day. If you'd like to make a donation to Comic Relief - please click on the following link: <https://donation.comicrelief.com/>

### REMINDER - TOM BALL'S RISING STARS WORKSHOP

Some of you may have watched last year's Britain's Got Talent, and seen Tom Ball performing. Tom lives locally and we have invited him to come into school to meet and work with some children in April. Tom worked as a secondary school teacher, however he has since gone on to dedicate himself to career as a professional recording & touring artist. As previously communicated, Tom will be running a workshop as part of his Dreams Project; it's been set up to encourage and inspire students to discover and follow their dreams. There are still spaces on the workshop, so don't forget to sign up if you're interested!

### Tom Ball's RISING STARS



### SUSTRANS BIG WALK



Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel inspires pupils to make active journeys to school, improve air quality in their neighbourhood and discover how these changes benefit their world.

We have registered for this year's event, and on each day of the challenge, schools compete to see who can get the highest percentage of their pupils walking, scooting or cycling to school. Our school's best five days will determine our final position!

### GRASSHOPPER CLASS TEA PARTY - 28TH MARCH

On Tuesday 28th March, Grasshopper Class will be inviting their parents to a tea party at school. Savoury treats using seasonal ingredients will be made by the children as part of their DT project. This is a fundraising event, and the children have jointly decided that they would like all proceeds to go towards the Red Cross Ukraine Crisis Appeal.





## DATES FOR THE DIARY:

19th March - Red Nose Day  
w/c 20th March - Y6 Bikeability Course  
w/c 20th March - Scholastic Books - Book Fair  
20th March - Y5 Choral Day @ Christ's Hospital (invite only)  
20th March - Parents' Consultation Evening  
21st March - Parents' Consultation Evening  
28th March - Grasshopper Class Sponsored Tea Party  
31st March - Wear A Hat Day  
25th April - Tom Ball - Assembly and Optional Workshop

## JSA NEWS

We really need everyone's help this year as we try to raise even more money than usual! We are hoping to fund permanent canopies for the playground this Summer. This will shade the classrooms and also provide shelter for the children while they are outside. We would like to raise an extra £10,000, so that we can also continue to fund all the other things that benefit our children, Forest school, Bikeability, Chrome books, library books, school visits, sports equipment, learning resources and many more! Any help you can give would be very much appreciated.

**Easter Raffle** – tickets are only 50p each and there are some great prizes to be won. Tickets are available from the JSA on Fridays, from our facebook group, or email us at [Jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com](mailto:Jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com)

**Join our School Lottery** – Tickets are £1 per week. Cash prizes and special monthly prizes can be won. Go to [www.yourschoollottery.co.uk](http://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk) and search for Jolesfield.

**Easyfundraising** – you raise money for the school every time you shop online – and it does not cost you anything. Please sign up now! <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk> and search for Jolesfield or JSA.

**Amazon smile** is NO LONGER available, so will not be a source of funding for the school this year.

**Coronation Project** – the children have all finished their amazing Coronation artwork. Order forms will be coming home soon for you to buy their designs on mugs, tea towels, prints, coasters and other great items for your home, or as gifts for friends and family.

**Smarties Challenge** – the kids get to bring home some Smarties, eat the Smarties, then fill the tubes with coins and bring them back to school after Easter. Every returned tube will be entered into a draw to win a prize, so please take part if you can.

Thank you as always to everyone who helps to fundraise for Jolesfield.



## CHESTNUT TREE HOUSE

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Reindeer Run that we held in school before the Christmas break. We raised an incredible £496.68 for the charity, so thank you for your generosity.



## Thought for the Week



## Happy Mothering Sunday



"IF IT TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD,  
IT TAKES A VILLAGE  
TO SUPPORT THAT CHILD'S PARENT."  
- ANN DOUGLAS



# Mothering Sunday



St Michael's Church  
Sunday 19th March



9.30am



A time to celebrate, give thanks  
& remember all the amazing  
women in our lives





# EASTER NETBALL CAMP

**Date: Wednesday 12th April**

**Time: 9am - 1pm**

**Venue: Steyning Grammar School,  
Rock Road**

**Ages: U7 to U16**

**Cost: £20**

**Contact: [starsnccamps@gmail.com](mailto:starsnccamps@gmail.com)**







**PARTRIDGE GREEN LAWN TENNIS  
CLUB**

**Free Junior Coaching Session**


**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023**

**Under 10s      11.30am  
10s and over    12.30pm**

**No need to book – just turn up and play**



# EASTER HOLIDAYS



## HORSHAM

**All Saint's C.E Primary RH12 5JB**  
**5-12 years - £30 per day 10AM-3PM**

**03/04 - MAD science + Build an Animal Feeder**  
**04/04 - Den Building, Floor is Lava + Firelighting**  
**05/04 - Nerf Games + Archery**  
**06/04 - Easter Egg Hunt + Water Games**

**11/04 - MAD science, Craft-a-noon + Feeders**  
**12/04 - Den Building, Floor is Lava + Firelighting**  
**13/04 - Nerf Games + Archery**  
**14/04 - Reptylers - Reptile handling, Bug Hunt  
+ Build a Mini Beast Shelter**

**PLUS - INFLATBABLES, ARTS AND CRAFTS, ROASTED MARSHMALLOWS,  
GIANT WATER BALLOON CATAPULTS!!!!**

**10% Sibling / whole week discount**  
**Childcare vouchers / Tax Free Childcare accepted**

**PLEASE ENSURE CHILDREN HAVE A PACKED LUNCH  
& SUITABLE OUTDOOR CLOTHING**

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