

20TH JULY 2023

NEWSLETTER



Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

As this is the last newsletter this academic year, I wanted to thank each of you for the support you have shown the school throughout the year. In addition, I'd like to pass on a special thanks to the JSA, who work tirelessly to help raise money for the school to benefit the children. I'd also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the work our Governors carry out behind the scenes, which is much appreciated.

We'll be saying some goodbyes tomorrow ... to our Year 6s, and also to Mrs Hibbs and Miss Short. We wish them all a heartfelt farewell, and send our best wishes to them as they each move onto a new chapter.

All that remains is for me to wish you and your families a happy and healthy summer break; we look forward to seeing you all back in school on Monday 4th September for an exciting start to the new year.

Vicky Price

Curriculum Spotlight



Not only have Year 6 put on an amazing production of, 'I'm an 11 Year Old, Get me Out of Here' but, last week, Year 6 held their charity fundraising event in aid of IFAW. With your support, £601.00 was raised, which is a huge amount, so thank you for helping to make the event a great success!

"Thank you for all the donations. We very much appreciated them!"
Lewis

"All the time and effort we put into organising the event really paid off!" Jemima

"It was functional - everything worked and we raised £601.00!" Max

"The stalls were successful and people took part in all the competitions. The drawings were really colourful and lots of people participated in the benchball." Will G



Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect

SURVEYS

This term, a range of surveys have taken place to help shape our next academic year. It was wonderful to read so many positives about multiple aspects of school life. Thank you to everyone, who took the time to share. The developmental comments are also helpful at building a shared understanding of priorities, although budgetary constraints are also a significant factor in decision making.

Some of the areas raised by parents such as our approach to homework will feature on next year's school improvement plan. Once shared with staff and governors, this will be uploaded to our website.

Discussions with staff have also taken place. One of their areas of concern centres on personal belongings. Due to Covid, parents were asked to provide stationery for their individual child. As Covid is hopefully behind us, we are returning to providing all stationery that is required. This will help reduce disputes. Therefore, from September, we ask that children refrain from bringing pencil cases to school. If you would like to contribute anything to our shared stationery supply, then glue sticks and coloured pencils are always useful. Thank you.

Our uniform policy states that children in KS1 each require a bookbag rather than a rucksack. It makes it much easier for teachers changing books if every child has a bookbag. Therefore, rucksacks are not required in KS1. Even in KS2 space in cloakrooms is really limited. As the children get older, it is lovely for them to move to the privilege of having a rucksack in KS2 but we would appreciate if this could be as small as possible.

Earlier in the week the reasons of all of this was shared with the children. Our school uniform policy has also been shared:

<https://jolesfield-school.co.uk/key-information/uniform/>

As shared previously, please name your child's belongings. From September, where possible, we will write in pen children's names in jumpers and cardigans but this is not as effective as a sewn-in or ironed on label. Only named belongings can be put in lost property as these can be immediately returned to their owner. Unnamed belongings are disposed of weekly. Again the reasons for this was discussed with the children.

A few parents have enquired about grey pinafore dresses. These are not currently on our uniform policy but including these will be considered at our first full governing body meeting in September.



REMINDERS

SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder that we expect children to wear green sweatshirts/cardigans to school, along with a white or green polo short sleeved polo shirt, and black or grey trousers, skirts or shorts. If you are looking to purchase new shoes for the start of the Autumn term, Clarks offer a measure and fit service, which can be pre-booked:

<https://www.clarks.co.uk/measureandfit-in-store>

FRIDAY'S CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

A reminder that Friday assemblies will be moving back to 2.45pm on Fridays from September.



EASY LUNCH ORDERS

If you'd like your son/daughter to receive Easy Lunch meals next term, don't forget the order deadline for w/c 4th September is 26th August.

OTHER INFORMATION

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2023



Don't forget this year's Summer Reading Challenge ...

We hope your child/ren wants to participate in the challenge over the holidays. They'll receive a fantastic Champion's Booklet for signing up to take part, and the more books they read the more scratch and sniff smelly stickers they collect! There are fun activities in the library too, including a Character Hunt with a chance of entering a prize draw. Children who read 6 library books and complete the challenge by Saturday 9 September, are rewarded with a medal and certificate.

They just need a library card to join in the fun. What's more; it's free to join the library and free to take part! The challenge is already underway so you can sign up at any time.

To find out more, why not take a look at our [special animation video \[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kTfSO_bbqg\]](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0kTfSO_bbqg), then register to take part in the challenge at <https://arena.westsussex.gov.uk/-/summer-reading-challenge-ready-set-read> or scan the QR code.

JASZ CLUB

JASZ club is run by Jolesfield Church of England Primary School and exists to provide high quality out-of-school hours childcare for parents/ carers. It offers a range of stimulating and creative activities in a safe environment. We have children attending on a regular basis, however, there are spaces available on most days so if you ever require a last minute child-care solution, please consider using JASZ Club.

Jasz Club Hours:

Breakfast Club: 7.30 - 8.40am £8.50, 8.15 - 8.40am £6.50
After-School Club: 3.20 - 5.00pm £8.50, 3.20 - 6.00pm £12.50
(Sibling Discount: 2nd child £9.50)

<https://jolesfield-school.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/JASZ-Club-Policy-.pdf>



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International
Fund for
Animal Welfare

Y6 CHARITY EVENT - THANK YOU

Thank you **SO** much for supporting Year 6's fundraising event last week. In excess of £600.00 was raised, which is a fantastic amount! All proceeds will be donated to the International Fund for Animal Welfare, so thank you for your generosity!



DATES FOR THE DIARY

21st July - Y6 Leavers' Assembly
21st July - Start of JSA Balloon Race
1st September - Inset Day
4th September - Start of Autumn Term
14th September - Swimathon (Years 1-6)
(see page 4 of this newsletter for further details)
w/c 9th October - Y6 Bikeability Training
w/c 16th October - Y6 Residential



JSA NEWS

We have had a great 2023 so far, having now raised £20,700 already this year. We have been lucky to receive a few generous grants on top of our usual fundraising. This has allowed us to fund the new sun canopies in the playground, as well as continue to fund all the other resources that benefit all the pupils at our fabulous school.

After the Summer hols, we will be straight back on to more fundraising! Disco and Quiz Night in October, Fireworks in November, Christmas Cards and the Christmas Fair will also be back after a break of a few years.

We really do need more help though to keep going! Can you spare even 1 hour per term? It could really make a difference to the number of events we can run, and the amount of money we can raise.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our fundraising, we hope you all have a lovely summer.

The JSA

Thought for the Week

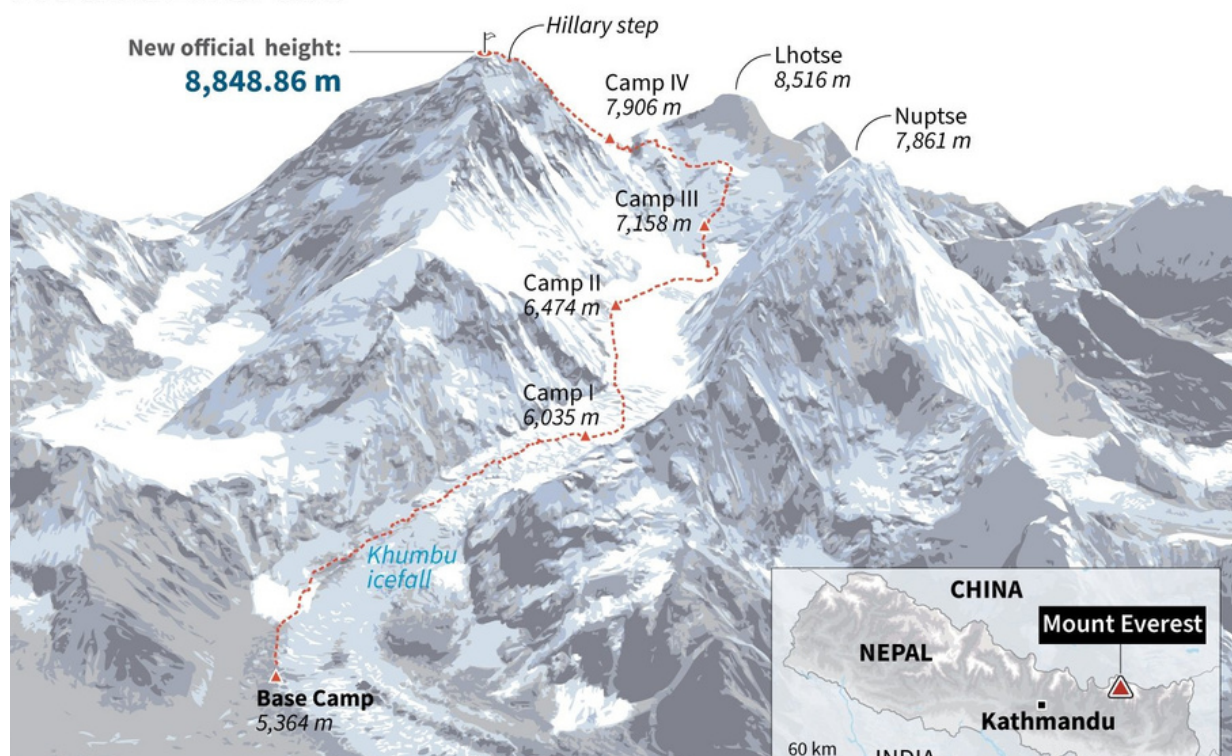


With the end of term almost upon us, we will be saying some farewells. We wish our Year 6s much happiness as they move onto their new secondary schools - remember that change is positive, and embrace all that comes your way! Whether you are leaving Jolesfield tomorrow, or continuing your learning journey here, remember to always set your goals high and dream big, because you're only as big as the dreams you dare to live!

"Somewhere inside all of us is the power to change the world"

Roald Dahl

Mount Everest



Swimathon

We are so proud of the way our pupils build water confidence, so quickly, and develop into confident swimmers. We believe that our children from Year 1 to Year 6 are capable of collectively travelling through the water in a range of ways in one day the equivalent distance of the height of Mount Everest - 8,849m! On Thursday 14th September (reserve date: Tuesday 19th September), all classes from Years 1 - 6 will attempt to meet this challenge. Will you help us raise funds for the JSA by pledging your support, please? The work of the JSA makes a significant difference to the quality of life at Jolesfield for all pupils. Today, your child has brought home a few pledge slips for you to share with family and friends. Please return these by Monday 11th September. Knowing the total amount pledged will be a massive motivator! We will let you know as soon as the challenge is completed.

Many thanks for your support.

SAMA SOUTHEAST MARTIAL ARTS



KARATE CLASS HELD AT

Jolesfield Primary School
Fridays 4.30pm - 5.15pm

Starting back 8th September 2023

SELF DEFENCE-COORDINATION-FOCUS-CONFIDENCE-RESPECT
Beginners welcome From 4years old

Register and book for your trial lessons with BookInClass

Limited Space available class needs to be pre-booked

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 **01444 461889 / 07876 617 115**

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SOUTHWATER SUMMER FEST!



**THURSDAY 27TH JULY
12PM - 4PM**

THE GHYLL, SOUTHWATER

FREE ENTRY. SOME ACTIVITIES CHARGEABLE.

LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AGED 3-16

CLIMBING WALL

**TODDLER
ACTIVITIES**

MUSIC

ARTS & CRAFTS

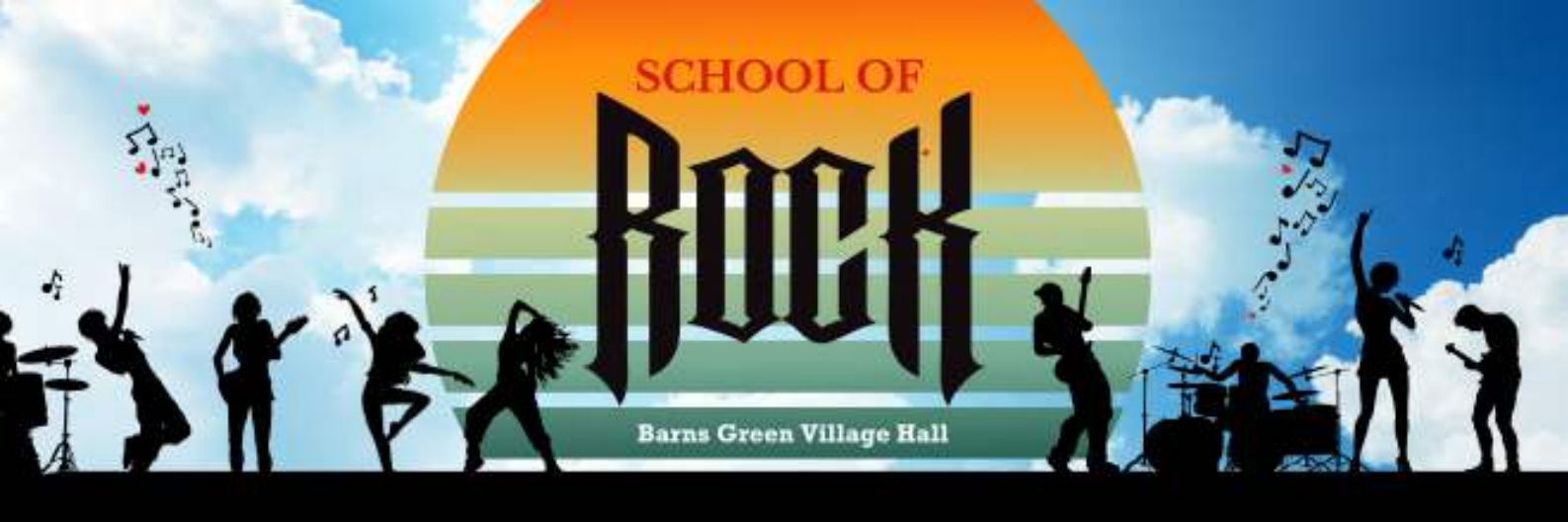
INFLATABLES

SPORTS

CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 8 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AGED OVER 18

EVENT KINDLY SPONSORED BY:





This year's Red Academy Summer Workshop is on Wednesday 9th, Thursday 10th and Friday 11th August, from 8.30am till 3.15pm at Barns Green Village Hall.

Children can enjoy a mix of Rock and Pop themed dance, drama, and musical theatre. They will be learning scripts and songs, making their own sets and props, before performing for friends and families on the final day.

All children and siblings welcome from ages 5 to 12 years.

We would like to offer new pupils a 20% discount off their booking.

Please use the offer code 'NEW20' (enter the code into the 'coupon code' field when booking the workshop).

The usual price for the three days is £135, now only £108 for all new bookings and the ticket price can be paid in full or split over two payments.

<https://www.red-academy.co.uk/event-info/school-of-rock-summer-workshop>

Would love to see you there if you can make it.

**Book Now
Best Wishes**

