

2ND NOVEMBER 2023

NEWSLETTER



Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to the second-half of the Autumn term; I hope you and your family had a pleasant half-term. As you are aware, we started the half-term with an INSET day; we are often asked about how these are used in school.

INSET stands for In-Service Education and Training and are statutory in all state maintained schools. The Headteacher of each school plans when these will take place and how they will be used. On Monday, our focus was on curriculum design. Using the research of an Educational Specialist, Emma Turner, we focussed on our curriculum offer and the opportunities it provides for children to accumulate knowledge and skills as they progress through the school. This included identifying areas of understanding which are fundamental to progression, such as chronology in History and considering how to embed these concepts without losing subject breadth. We also looked closely at areas of our curriculum which can be interconnected in a meaningful way. With this in mind, there have been some minor revisions to the Autumn term curriculum overview so these have been re-shared today.

Congratulation, Finley -
you were our Sports Hero
last half-term!



Congratulations, Freddie -
you were our Maths Rock
King!



Curriculum Spotlight

Just before half-term, our Year 6 children visited the PGL centre, Windmill Hill in Hailsham for 5 days. They were supported by Mr Brookes, Mrs Eyre and myself. This was an opportunity to meet the National Curriculum PE requirement: 'Children should be taught to take part in outdoor and adventurous activity challenges both individually and within a team.' It was wonderful to see our year 6 children embrace and respond to the range of challenges offered. Children participated in numerous activities such as raft building, canoeing, abseiling and climbing. The remit of the PE curriculum was fully met in even just one day of participation! However, a residential is about so much more than National Curriculum requirements. It is about trying new foods, learning new games, packing independently, supporting each other, emotional resilience, new experiences, problem solving and building bonds through shared memories. I was very proud of the positive attitude and conduct of all our children. Thank you very much to the staff, who volunteered to take part in the residential, and to the wonderful parents, who drove their child and other children.



Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect

DATES FOR THE DIARY



6th November - Girls' Football at Henfield School (invite only)
8th and 9th November - Parents' Evenings
10th November - KS2 Remembrance Service
14th November - Y6 Heights & Weights
30th November, 9.15am - Djembe Concert to Y3 parents
1st December - 'Merry & Bright' JSA Non-Uniform Day
4th December, 9.30am - EY/KS1 Nativity (rehearsal)
5th December, 2.30pm - EY/KS1 Nativity
6th December, 9.30am - EY/KS1 Nativity
6th December (pm) - JSA Pop-Up Shop
8th December - JSA Xmas Fair
13th December - Easy Lunch Xmas Meal
15th December, 9.30am - KS2 Carol Service

JSA NEWS

Fireworks Night – Friday 3rd November

We are looking forward to holding the Firework event tomorrow evening. The weather is looking promising, so the event is able to go ahead as planned, although there will be no bonfire, as the field is too wet. Tickets are still on sale for anyone who hasn't yet purchased a ticket. We appreciate everyone who's able to support this event, which has always been a brilliant fundraiser for the school.



Cake raffle tickets are available from the hut, from our fb page or email us at jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com. Two weeks free entry this half term if you buy for the term in advance.

Christmas Fairs

Friday 8th December – at the school

Saturday 9th December - PG Village Hall 11.00am - 2.00pm

We are looking for stallholders for both these events; spaces are already going, so contact us if you are interested.

We also need volunteers for these events (especially Friday). Please get in touch if you can help out.



Christmas Card sales

Thanks to those of you who placed Christmas Card orders by the deadline. As soon as orders arrive at the school, we will send them home with your child/ren. All profit from the sales goes straight back towards our school fundraising.

Thought for the Week



The Poppy Appeal was first launched in 1921 to help remember those who fought in the war ... The Royal British Legion, which started the Poppy Appeal, gives the money raised to the service men and women who are still alive and whose lives have been changed by war. In the run up to Armistice Day, let's spend a moment being grateful for what we have, and remembering those who sacrificed so much.

"Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you."

1 Thessalonians 5:18

**JOLESFIELD
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**FIREWORKS
NIGHT**

BONFIRE

GAMES

REFRESHMENTS

GLOWIES

BBQ &
BAR

Friday 3rd Nov
Gates open 6pm
Fireworks 7.30pm

Tickets from the JSA hut, JSA FB page
or jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com



Christmas Lunch

On Wednesday 13th December, your school will be hosting a Christmas Lunch for the children, provided by **The Easy Lunch Company**.

Menu

Roast Turkey/Quorn Roast
Roast Potatoes
Vegetables, Sage and Onion Stuffing, Gravy
Cranberry Sauce
Candy cane chocolate cake

If your child is in the Infants and you have opted IN for UIFSM, this letter is for your information only. If you have opted OUT and wish your child to take part in this lunch, please let the school office know by 9am Friday 1st December.

If your child is in Year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and wishes to join their friends for this Christmas feast please ensure that you place your order online by Saturday 2nd December. **No cash payments can be taken, and late orders cannot be accepted. Please book a standard meal for roast turkey or meat free for quorn roast.**

You can order online at www.theeasy lunchcompany.co.uk (new users will need to register).

Please note that if you have already booked a hot meal for this date the only hot meal provided will be the Christmas lunch. No jacket potatoes are provided on Christmas lunch day, any booked jacket potatoes will be sent as a standard Turkey lunch. Registered Special meal requirements will be catered for accordingly.

Pudding on Thursday 14th December will be yoghurt.

If you require any further information about the Christmas lunch, please call Emma at The Easy Lunch Company 01403 741177 or email emma@theeasy lunchcompany.co.uk

HAPPY CHRISTMAS! FROM EVERYONE AT EASY LUNCH





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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



18-20 DECEMBER

BOGNOR REGIS - RAP & LYRIC WRITING

18-20 DECEMBER

CRAWLEY - DJ & MUSIC PRODUCTION

21-22 DECEMBER

LITTLEHAMPTON - RAP & LYRIC PRODUCTION

18-21 DECEMBER

WORTHING - ROCK & POP BAND

AGES 8 - 16YRS

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CHRISTMAS COFFEE AND SHOPPING MORNING

Saturday, 11 November 2023
10am – 12 noon

Join us for Refreshments whilst browsing our Stalls including Cakes, Crafts and Toiletries

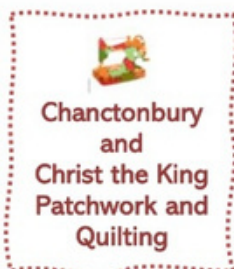
Enter our Christmas Raffle
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NEW! West Sussex Mind Parenting Peer Support Group 'Circles' near you!

If you are you a parent or care giver to a child or young person and supporting them with their mental health, you may feel alone at times and need some support. Did you know peer support can help increase confidence and can help you learn new skills like coping with challenges? We have started Peer Support Group 'Circles' across the county, where you can meet the team and other parents, all with lived experience.



Please find us at:

ADUR (Fishergate)

The Neighbourhood Gateway Hub, West Street (Gardner Road Entrance), BN41 1PR

- Monday 06.11.23
- Monday 04.12.23

ARUN (Bognor Regis)

Arun West Family Hub, Laburnam Grove, Bognor Regis PO22 9HT

- Monday 11.12.23

NORTH (Horsham)

Upper Floor Hall, Blackbridge Community Centre, Three Acres, Horsham, RH12 1RS

- Monday 13.11.23

WEST (Midhurst)

The Rowan Room, The Grange, Bepton Road, Midhurst GU29 9HD

- Wednesday 13.12.23

WORTHING (Durrington)

Ashdown Centre, Birkdale Road, BN13 2QY

- Tuesday 31.10.23
- Tuesday 28.11.23

If you would like to know more, please contact us via our Help Point and state you would like a parenting referral.

Call our Help Point

**Monday to Friday, 10am until 4pm on 0300 303 5652
or email helppoint@westsussexmind.org**

The Parents Service at West Sussex Mind has lots more to offer:

We hold regular Peer Support Groups both during the day (both in person and on-line) and evening (on-line). We have a monthly 'Expert by Experience' Guest Speaker join us for one of the evening sessions, this year so far we have covered topics such as Self-harm, OCD, Social Anxiety and How to manage aggressive behaviours. These sessions are great as you get to hear more about the subject and a chance to ask any questions relating to your situation.

Another great aspect of the service is the opportunity to have some 1:1 sessions with a Peer Support Worker (again who has lived and professional experience).

These are in blocks of three and can be delivered at a time convenient for you.

We have a closed Facebook group for sharing information and to give parents and carers a platform to ask any questions confidentially.

There are monthly newsletters and access to training, e-learning and webinars (on the West Sussex Mind website).



Sign up to the West Sussex Disability Register!

Do you have a young person in your family aged between 0-25 who has a disability? Sign up now to:

- Help influence services and plan events
- Receive regular eNewsletters with local events, activities and information
- Access discounts on local and national attractions
- Find out about free specialist library resources



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