

Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

It is amazing that we have already come to the end of another term. It has been a whirlwind of purposeful learning, trips and rich opportunities. It is such a privilege to see the children enter school so enthusiastically and happily in the morning. This week, there has been great excitement on the playground as a table tennis table for KS2 (purchased through the JSA) has been unveiled, as well as a play table for KS1. Work has also taken place on the field as the Eco-Team have planted 30 saplings. Thank you to the parent volunteers who assisted. We are also planning to open our outside play area in May. The rubber surface needs considerable repair, which can only take place in completely dry conditions; this has been a challenge! Further improvements to the playground are planned. Emergency work is also scheduled to start shortly on our peg tiles. However until this is complete, please continue to keep children away from the exterior of the building.

Thank you to everyone, who attended parents' evening; we hope you found it informative. The responses to our newsletter have been very helpful. The majority of parents have requested for the newsletter to continue to be fortnightly but for key dates to be shared weekly. There were also several helpful suggestions which we have acted on such as linking key dates to the MCAS App and adding specific reminders next to key dates.



Congratulations to Jack & Tawny, who have joined our TTRS Royal Family!



Curriculum Spotlight

There are so many curriculum highlights to choose from that reflect our **inspirational** and **purposeful** curriculum! Ladybirds have been learning the Easter story as you can see from their recreation of Palm Sunday. Year 2 interconnected their DT and History by designing and making fabulous Tudor buildings, which the Fire Brigade kindly lit to reinforce learning, linked to the Great Fire of London. Year 1's learning about materials in Science was inter-connected with History through the chronological ordering of toys.



REMINDERS



DEADLINE APPROACHING

From the beginning of the summer term we will be using MCAS for all correspondence, so please sign up now if you haven't yet done so!



MUSIC LESSONS IN SCHOOL

We have a number of children currently learning an instrument within school. If any other children would be interested in taking up an instrument, please contact the school office, or visit the Rock & Pop Foundation website for further details -

<https://www.rockandpopfoundation.com/studentsandparents>

OTHER NEWS

EASY LUNCH

The Summer Term menu was shared with you last week, and the booking page for next term opens today. The booking deadline dates are:

Deadline for Monday 15th April - Saturday 6th April

Deadline for Monday 3rd June - Saturday 25th May



INCONSIDERATE PARKING/ROAD SAFETY

We have received a complaint from one of the school's neighbours about inconsiderate parking. If you drive your child/ren to/from school, please ensure you don't block driveways or walkways **at any time**. The local enforcement team at WSCC have been informed. This is for the safety and well being of other parents, children and neighbours. Thank you.

For the Year 5 and 6 children who walk or cycle to/from school, can parents please remind their child/ren to be fully road aware when they are on route. We had a report of a near miss yesterday on the High Street, so thank you for stressing to your child how important it is for them to be vigilant at all times.

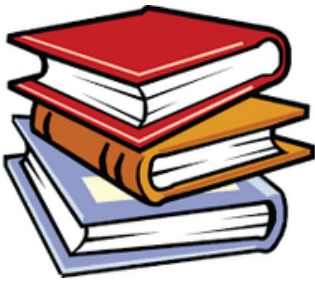
REQUESTS

Thank you very much for your help with specific items. As a result of recent requests, we now have three water butts and several fleece blankets! This is a huge help to us financially but also a good way of promoting to the children the environmental value of reusing and repurposing!

We are on the look out for more torches - ideally, pocket sized ones that children can easily hold. Children love reading inside tents, and more torches would really help facilitate this within school. If you have any torches surplus to requirements at home, please consider donating them to us! Thank you.



In addition, we would like to replace the very large desk in the library with a smaller computer desk to allow more space for an additional bookcase. If you have an adult-sized desk or computer workstation that you no longer require, please let us know.



OVERDUE BOOKS

Mrs Frost-Newell, our voluntary librarian, has printed off letters for books that are showing as overdue. If you receive a letter, please don't be alarmed, as there are occasions when books are incorrectly assigned. However, if you know the book to be at home, please send it back to school with your child/ren after the Easter break. Many thanks.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

28th March - 'Wear A Hat Day' (in aid of Brain Tumour Research)
28th March - Last Day of Spring Term
15th April - First Day of Summer Term
17th April - **Y3/4** Area Football Final at Angmering School (invite only)
24th April - **Y5** Parents' meeting (5pm) re. Adur Centre Residential
26th April - NFL Tournament at Windlesham House School (invite only)
26th April - **EY/KS1** visitor - 'The Secret Life of the Hedgehog' (letter to follow)
1st May - **Y3** trip to Bluebell Railway (Intended - awaiting receipt of voluntary contributions to be able to proceed)
1st May - **Y5** Taster Morning at SGS
9th/10th May - **Y5** Adur Centre Residential (see kit list sent on 20.03.24)



JSA NEWS

Cake Raffle

Cake raffle tickets are available from the JSA hut, from our Facebook page or by emailing the JSA at jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com. Until a new Chair of the JSA is in place, this will be our main source of raising funds, so thank you for supporting this raffle if you can.



Challenge - A communication was sent out earlier this week regarding this. The children will be bringing home a tube of Smarties today - the idea is children can eat the Smarties, and then fill the tubes with coins which are brought back to school after the Easter break. Every returned tube will be entered into a draw to win a prize, so please take part if you can.

Thought for the Week



Easter reminds us that hope should never be lost for as dark as the road may seem, there always lies light at the end of it. May all your prayers be fulfilled and may wonderful blessings be upon you and your loved ones at this time. All the staff wish you and your families a joyous Easter.

Vicky Price

*Don't be afraid! I am the First and Last. I am the living one.
I died, but look—I am alive forever and ever!
(Revelations 1 17-18)*

Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.

Martin Luther

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To start supporting, visit:
YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play
and search for: Jolesfield

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

Celebrate Easter!



St Michael's Church

Children's fun, including an exciting
Easter Egg Hunt!!

Worship @ 11 Service

starts at 11 o'clock

Sunday 31st March

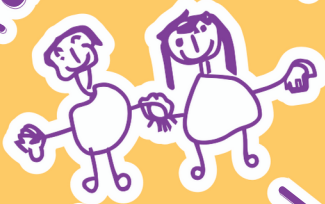
Refreshments served from
10:30

GOOD FRIDAY - 29th MARCH 2024
PG Village Hall 10am - 1pm

Hall 10am - 1pm

ENTRY TO TRAIL FREE

Partridge Green



Pre-School

Easter TRAIL

GAMES CRAFTS REFRESHMENTS'OMBOLA



RAIL MAP

Collect your trail map and clue sheet from the Village Hall
£1 to enter your clue sheet into our prize draw to win a fabulous Easter prize
Easter treat for all participants (while stocks last)



Cornerstone Methodist Church

With St Michael's Church, at Partridge Green Methodist Chapel

Friday 12th April 2024

10.30am—1pm

Seeing is Believing!

Intrigued? Join us and find out
We'll have fun as we explore the Bible
through stories, Messy crafts, songs and games,
followed by a lunch together.

Ages: Primary School mostly, but younger ones are
more than welcome too!

Big or small, Messy Church is for all - *It's a 'Family
Thing' :-)* (children must be accompanied)

Our sessions are free;
donations on the day are welcome.
but NOT ESSENTIAL!!

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN TRAINING TO TEACH IN YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS?

Come along to our get into teaching event and find out how you could embark on a career with excellent progression opportunities where no two days are the same.



Thursday 18th April / 18:00 – 19:00
Durrington High School, The Boulevard, Worthing, BN13 1JX

REGISTER HERE

