

# NEWSLETTER

## Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



### Headteacher's Message

One of the joys of Jolesfield is how much we value learning through creative play. We are also extremely fortunate to have lots of outdoor space to use. This week, we have been able to open the outdoor play area. This contains a variety of loose parts play and den building equipment to encourage creative play. The children have been really excited to finally be able to use this space again. Forest School has also begun for years R - 3, although all teachers are encouraged to make use of the space and resources. We encourage the children to be imaginative and creative but also respectful of their environment. Our science learning is made so much more meaningful in a real-life context. We also write risk assessments and certain things such as climbing trees, which we would all encourage outside of school, can not be permitted. Therefore, please could I politely request your support with this. Staff are finding it rather embarrassing to need to ask children at the end of the school day, in front of their parents, to stop climbing our trees, kicking PE equipment, pulling play equipment out and to generally show respect for their environment. Apart from finishing the music room development, we have begun work on some of the other outside areas including the spiritual garden. We would love to sand and repaint the boat and picnic benches, but Mr Yarrow is busy setting up the pool and preparing the music room ready to be painted at half-term. If anyone has a couple of hours to spare after school to help with sanding and painting the boat and picnic bench, it would be very much appreciated. It is possible that we might be able to arrange for children to use Jasz Club free of charge whilst a parent was painting! This was a great suggestion made by a parent at our last working party!



Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect



## Curriculum Spotlight

**Key Stage 1** really enjoyed their informative talk from The Hedgehog Trust. They discovered so much about hedgehogs and were so enthused that we are going to try and make part of our spiritual garden more hedgehog-friendly in order to encourage these lovely animals to visit.



Contratulations to Poppy & Will who have joined our TTRS family

**Year 4** are working on writing persuasive leaflets about the wonders of China. Grasshoppers are aiming to persuade our families to visit this country. We have learned how to use hyperbole this week and we are amazing writers. Some of our ideas were -  
"Explore the beauty of the jaw-dropping giant pandas and their habitats." (Luca)  
"Come to the awesome Terracotta Warriors, as scary as they are interesting." (Archie)  
"Our noodles are the best food in town." (Harmony)  
"Come and visit picturesque scenery including: wonderful waterfalls and fluorescent forests in this majestic country." (Kalina)

The **NFL** club has been a huge success this year, with lots of KS2 children involved. This culminated in a regional tournament, hosted by Windlesham House School. A fantastic day was had by all, and the children who participated did the school proud!

Mr Brookes



# REMINDERS

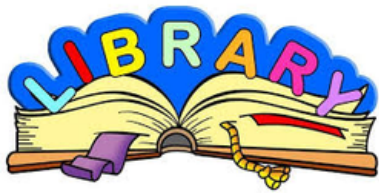
## SWIMMING - PARENT HELPERS NEEDED!

After the May half-term, swimming lessons will be getting underway. A letter will be going out with more information shortly, however we are looking for some parent helpers to help provide support, especially for children in Early Years/KS1. If you would have some availability during the week (Monday - Thursday) and would like to help, please speak to the school office as soon as possible.



## PARENT GOVERNOR VACANCY

We haven't yet filled the Parent Governor vacancy that was advertised recently so have extended the deadline. If you are interested in standing for election, or would like to understand more about the role, please contact the school office. Alternatively, I am on the playground most mornings, so please feel free to approach me.



## HELP IN LIBRARY

Mrs Frost-Newell is our volunteer Librarian, and would be grateful for an extra pair of hands on Wednesday mornings. If you could spare a few hours, please let the office know, even as just a one-off this would help as we are currently rearranging the stock. Thank you.

## PE KITS

There are a number of children across the school who repeatedly forget to bring in their PE kit. PE is an important part of the curriculum and we expect all children to have a PE kit (shorts, white t-shirt and plimsolls/trainers) available to wear on the days that PE is timetabled. Thank you for your support with this.

# OTHER NEWS

## SCHOOL RENOVATIONS

We're delighted to report that the music room renovations are going well, and we look forward to making more use of this space over the coming weeks for various lessons including art, and design and technology. This will allow the room to be timetabled for multiple classes throughout the week. Thank you to the JSA for funding the development of this space.

As you will have noticed, safety netting has begun to be fitted around our peg tiles. This will be in place until West Sussex replace the exterior of the building with a different material. Please do not allow any children to pull, hold on to or attempt to climb the netting.

## PENTECOST SERVICE

We are walking to St Michael's Church on 23rd May - Rev'd Caroline and Grasshopper Class will lead our whole school Pentecost Service at 9.30am. Year 4 parents/carers are invited to join us. In addition, if any parent is free to help walk children to/from church, please let the office know - we'll leave school after morning registration. Anyone who walks with us to church would be welcome to stay for the service. Thank you.



## DATES FOR THE DIARY



9th/10th May - **Y5** Adur Centre Residential  
15th May - **EY/KS1** trip to Pulborough Brooks  
21st May - **Y4** 'open door' - China topic (3.10pm)  
22nd May - **Y5/6** Chanctonbury Music Festival (parent drivers required for afternoon rehearsal)  
23rd May - Pentecost Service (whole school) at St Michael's Church (parent helpers to walk to church)  
3rd & 4th June - INSET Days  
5th June - New Reception (Sept '24 intake) Welcome Meeting  
w/c 10th June - YR Balance Bike training  
19th June - Astracolour - Class Photos  
21st June - **Y5** trip to Christ's Hospital - 'Terrible Infants' Summer Production (parent drivers required)  
25th June - **Y2** to New Wharf Farm  
3rd July - 'Moving On Up Day' (all year groups)  
4th July - **Y6** Leavers' Service - Lancing Chapel  
5th July - School Summer Fair  
10th July - Sports Day - KS1 morning / KS2 afternoon (Reserve date - 15th July)

## JSA NEWS

### Easyfundraising

Please use Easyfundraising for your online shopping. It costs you nothing and raises money for the school. Only 7 people used it to support Jolesfield in the whole of 2023 – Could we do better in 2024? Please, please have a look at the page of information below. It costs nothing but by having purchases made through this can earn the school hundreds of pounds. The school will struggle to provide any forest school, replace Chrome books and replace the bike shelter on the playground without an increase of funding to the JSA - using Easyfundraising could change this!

### Cake Raffle

Cake raffle tickets are available from the JSA hut, from our Facebook page or by emailing the JSA at [jolesfieldjsa@gmail.com](mailto: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.

### Ice-Creams Sales

A reminder that ice-creams are on sale after school every Friday this term; the JSA is able to accept cash or card payments.



## Thought for the Week



May is Mental Health awareness month, and we've been talking about this in assemblies, with the message that we should be considerate of each other all the time, and be aware of what we say to others, as the spoken word can cause upsets as well as pleasure.

*Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another,  
as God in Christ forgave you.*

*Ephesians 4:32*

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Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.



# JSA QUIZ NIGHT

**LOCATION: JOLESFIELD SCHOOL**

**£5 PER PERSON**

**GATHER YOUR TEAM OF 6**

**EACH TEAM TO BRING A RAFFLE  
PRIZE**

**TEST YOUR LUCK WITH CASH  
GAMES ON THE NIGHT**

**BRING YOUR OWN DRINK &  
SNACKS TO KEEP YOU FUELLED**

**FRI 24  
MAY  
7PM**





## PARTRIDGE GREEN LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Membership fees  
1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025

Adult single	£35
Couple	£60
Family	£70
Junior	£12

To join go to:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/PartridgeGreenLawnTennisClub/Membership/Join>



## Parish Plant Swap

18<sup>th</sup> May, 2pm – 4pm

Alongside the Partridge Green Repair Café in the Village Hall.

Donate or swap plants, or take them away for a cash donation.

Looking for pollinator-friendly varieties of easy to grow species.



Village Hall, High St, Partridge Green, Horsham  
RH13 8HX



By WestGREENstead Climate Action Group

## Parish Plant Swap

9<sup>th</sup> May, 2pm – 5pm

Alongside the Village Café in the KGV Playing Field.

Donate or swap plants, or take them away for a cash donation.

If raining, will be held at the Methodist Church, High Street.



King George V Playing Fields, Partridge Green, Horsham  
RH13 8EU



By WestGREENstead Climate Action Group



# MAY HALF-TERM CRICKET CAMP

Delivered by a level 2 ECB coach and his team, this is aimed at young cricketers (7-13 yrs old) who are keen to develop their all-round cricket skills and really improve their game, in a fun and inclusive environment!

## SESSIONS COVER

- Precise batting
- Target bowling
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## PRICE

1 Day: £40  
Full Camp: £70



FOR DETAILS  
& TO BOOK:

## WHERE

Henfield Cricket  
Club  
BN5 9RP

## WHEN

28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
09:00-15:15\*  
Wrap around available

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