



## Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



### Headteacher's Message

Welcome back to the Spring term! What a range of weather conditions we have moved through in the space of two weeks!

This year, we have decided to centre our fundraising efforts around three specific charities. This will allow our children to learn more about the causes these charities represent and be advocates for them as well as plan and engage in fundraising activities. Our school ambassadors were tasked, last term, with researching a charity that was meaningful to them and presenting brilliantly. As a result of voting, I am delighted to announce that this year our fundraising efforts will be centred on: 'Water Aid', 'Over the Wall' and 'The Big Cat Sanctuary'. Throughout the course of the Spring term, we will be learning about these charities and planning fundraising events for the Summer term.



Another group of pupils, who serve us excellently are our Digital Leaders. Recently, they presented to the whole school important messages linked to taking care of our computer equipment and e-safety. On the subject of digital safety, West Sussex County Council have recently published a guide linked to WhatsApp; this is shared below. Please can I urge all parents and carers to read this and reflect. Every academic year, the number of significant issues and appeals for schools to intervene is increasing, hence the production of this guide. Apart from safety risks, it is also worth noting that behaviour outside of school, including through the digital world, can be grounds for exclusion. We will be holding another parental session on digital safety in the Summer term. However, in the meantime, this website is an excellent resource <https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/>

## Your child's mental health and wellbeing: WhatsApp guide

### WhatsApp and emotional wellbeing

#### WhatsApp age restriction is 13+

WhatsApp is a convenient and easy way to keep in touch with others. We know that connection to others is really important in terms of our wellbeing, however we need to be aware that there are also some risks to WhatsApp use, particularly for children and young people.

### Who is contacting me?

To start a chat on WhatsApp, all anyone needs is a person's phone number.

If a child has given their number to someone else who then adds them to a group chat, everyone in this group chat will now have access to their number. This means that complete strangers can contact them.

Does your child know what to do if they get a message from someone they don't know?

### Secrecy and chat lock

**Be aware of chat lock.** Chat lock is a feature which allows WhatsApp users to keep their chats in a separate locked folder, with its own secret code. This allows users to hide conversations, even if someone checks their phone and messages. This could include messages about harmful behaviours such as self-harm and inappropriate sexual content.

## Disappearing content

WhatsApp has a feature which allows messages to be sent and only be viewed once. Unfortunately, this allows users to send inappropriate and abusive content which cannot be re-opened once seen. This means there is no evidence of what has been sent. It also means that if you check your child's phone you won't see a complete picture of what they have viewed.

You can never really know what has been sent or received by your child's account.

## Scams and fakes

Information sharing on WhatsApp can reach a lot of people, very quickly.

This means that false information can rapidly gather momentum resulting in sharing of fake news. Children and young people may not have the critical thinking needed to understand what is real and what isn't. This also means that they may be vulnerable to scams. Internet Matters have produced a [toolkit](#) for parents and carers.

## What can we do?

**Teach them to be cautious.** Guide them to ask themselves how likely a message from an unknown number is really from someone they know.

**Adjust the settings.** You can specify who can and cannot add them to group chats. You can do this in the 'Settings' menu under the 'Groups' tab.

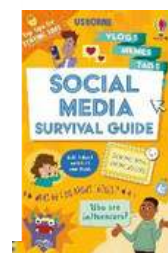
**Talk to them openly** without judgment about what they are sharing and how they contribute. Consider with them how they can use group chats safely and that it is okay to exit group chats if they feel uncomfortable.

### Internet Matters: What is WhatsApp – A Guide for Parents

[Internet Matters](#) is a fantastic website with a huge amount of information about internet safety. There are numerous guides for parent and carers, including WhatsApp.

### Social Media Survival Guide

A recommended book for children and young people aged 10+ to empower them to stay safe online when using social media.



## Thriving in education

For more support and advice, please visit our [Thriving in Education website](#) or scan the QR code.

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## REMINDERS

### PERSONAL POSSESSIONS

Please check that your child's clothes, lunch box and water bottle are all clearly named. On a weekly basis, we continue to reuse, recycle and dispose of unnamed items. Any named items are immediately handed to the child.



### HEALTHY SNACKS

You will be aware the EY/KS1 automatically receive a healthy fruit or vegetable snack to eat at morning break. We kindly request that KS2 children also bring in something nutritious (fresh or dried fruit, vegetable sticks, cheese, breadsticks etc) to eat mid-morning, if they don't already do so - they shouldn't be taking items, such as crisps and chocolate bars, from their lunchboxes to eat at breaktime. Thank you for your support with this.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### CUBS IN PARTRIDGE GREEN



Last Thursday the Adur Cub Pack opened in its new home of Jolesfield, and there was a great turnout. If your child is interested in joining cubs at 1st Henfield, please follow this link to register your interest - <https://henfieldscouts.co.uk/register-your-interest/>. Similarly, if you would be interested in helping to run one of the groups as a volunteer, please express your interest using the same link.



### MAGIC NETBALL CLUB & TRIALS

Magic is a selective Netball team with a high profile in West Sussex comprising of high level players and coaches. The club ethos is exceptional and there is a really supportive and welcoming feel to the club.

If anyone is interested in attending they should complete an interest form on the team website. Trials are taking place in March and are free to attend. A flyer providing more information can be found at the end of this newsletter. If this is of interest, please register via the Magic Netball website - <https://www.magicnetball.co.uk/>



**Girls play, learn and have tons of fun**  
for ages 4 to 7

1st Partridge Green Rainbow Unit  
Meet on Monday 4.15 - 5.30pm (term time)  
at St Michael's Church Hall

Contact Mrs Balicki (Reception Class)  
or Eileen Blann

[1stpartridgegreenguides.rangers@gmail.com](mailto:1stpartridgegreenguides.rangers@gmail.com)





# SUITCASE OF SUCCESS



## \*\*\* ROLL OF HONOUR \*\*\*

We are delighted to celebrate our children's successes,  
both within and outside of school.

In this week's newsletter, we congratulate the following children on their  
recent achievements:

### **Dance Award**

Medal & Trophy

Evie S (YR)

### **Gymnastics Award**

Floor & Bars (Level 4)

Issy P (Y2)

Floor & Bars (Level 2)

Maisie W (Y2)

Floor & Bars (Level 1)

Isla P (Y2)

### **Performance of Frozen**

at Christ's Hospital

Max B (Y4)

### **Karate**

Grading

Ollie W (Y4)

### **Equestrian**

Winner - The Stables of Cissbury Quiz

Georgia R (Y3)

### **Climbing/Bouldering**

Advanced Certificate of Achievement

Teddy W (Y3)



## DATES FOR THE DIARY

17th January - Table Tennis 'Match Play' - invite only  
7th February **DATE CHANGE** - Y5/6 Cross Country Final (Windlesham) - invite only  
14th February - INSET Day  
26th February - Glyndebourne Performance Y5 & Y6  
26th February - JSA AGM  
28th February - JSA School Discos - EY/KS1 & KS2  
5th March - Oliver Twist Production (whole school)  
12th March - School Photographs (individual/siblings)  
12th March - Parents' Consultation Evening  
13th March - Parents' Consultation Evening  
14th March - Y3 visit to Amberley Working Museum  
14th March - Y4 & 5 visit to Weald & Downland Museum  
24th March - Y5 Choral Day at CH - invite only  
28th March - JSA Quiz Night  
1st & 2nd April - Y5 Lodge Hill Residential  
2nd & 3rd June - INSET Days



## JSA NEWS

Happy new year one and all!

Fresh off the festive break, we are already planning a few upcoming events, so please add the dates to your diaries!

The time for the JSA AGM is fast approaching and will be held on Wednesday 26th February at school, starting at 7:30pm. We warmly invite you to attend and help shape the future of the JSA. Whether you would like to offer ideas for fundraising activities, volunteer to help with events or perhaps consider taking on a more active role, we would love to hear from you.

If you would like any further information before the meeting, or have any questions at all, please grab us in the playground for a chat, or email the JSA mailbox ([JolesfieldJSA@gmail.com](mailto:JolesfieldJSA@gmail.com)).

Claire & Kirsty x

## Thought for the Week



At the beginning of the year, many of us will set new year's resolutions. When we seek to be better, do better or contribute more fully, it can have the knock-on effect of inspiring others around us as well. Just by making resolutions and striving to achieve them will have a positive effects on us and those around us.

We especially love celebrating children's achievements during weekly celebration assemblies, explaining that these awards wouldn't be achieved without perseverance.

Let's remember this when we are faced with life's challenges, and also encourage those around us to be resilient, persevere and not give up.

*"Sometimes", said the horse.*

*"Sometimes what?" asked the boy*

*"Sometimes just getting up and carrying on is brave and magnificent"*

Taken from 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse'  
by Charlie Mackesy

# Umbrellas

Parent Support Group

**Spring Term 2025**

**Would you like to connect with other local parent carers?**

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join us at one of our local support groups or from the comfort of your own home.



## Shoreham Umbrellas

**Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

Adur East Family Hub (Shoreham)

14th Jan / 4th Feb / 4th Mar / 1st Apr

## Littlehampton Umbrellas

**Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

Creative Heart Community Hub (upstairs)

22nd Jan / 12th Feb / 12th Mar / 2nd Apr

## Worthing Umbrellas

**Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

Durrington Community Centre

21st Jan / 11th Feb / 18th Mar

## Horsham Umbrellas

**Wednesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

Horsham Family Hub

15th Jan / 26th Feb / 19th Mar

## Chichester Umbrellas

**Thursdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

Donnington Parish Hall

30th Jan / 27th Feb / 27th Mar

## Burgess Hill Umbrellas

**Tuesdays, 10 am - 11.30 am**

The Cherry Tree Centre

28th Jan / 25th Feb / 25th Mar

If you would like more information about our Umbrellas Support Group or would like the link to join Umbrellas online, please contact the outreach team.

Email:

[outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk](mailto:outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk)



[www.reachingfamilies.org.uk](http://www.reachingfamilies.org.uk)

## Umbrellas Online Thursdays via Zoom

16th Jan 7.30 pm - 9 pm

6th Feb 7.30 pm - 9 pm

13th Mar 7.30 pm - 9 pm

3rd Apr 7.30 pm - 9 pm

# Pottery Painting Family Activity Session

The next session is:  
Tuesday 28th January 5pm-7pm

- Everyone will be provided with a piece of pottery
- This will be fired to collect at a later date.
- The environment will be sensory friendly, with enriching decor, and low sound.



Art-ful Pottery Cafe,  
71 Rowlands Road,  
Worthing, BN11 3JN

## Book now!

Please scan the QR code or  
visit <https://wsxshortbreaks.aspens.org.uk/bookings/>

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The logo for 'art-ful' features the word 'art-ful' in a lowercase, sans-serif font where each letter is a different color (a, r, t, -, f, u, l).

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# ALL ABOUT US

## magic



**WE REQUIRE A MINIMUM 80% ATTENDANCE AT TRAINING AND 80% AVAILABILITY AT GAMES.**

**WHY? THE ROAD TO SUCCESS IS THROUGH COMMITMENT.**

WE NEED COMMITMENT SO WE CAN ENSURE EACH PLAYER IS INDIVIDUALLY PROGRESSING WHILST ALSO SUPPORTING THE SQUAD TO HAVE TEAM SUCCESS (THROUGH ALLOWING US TO PUT THE STRONGEST COMBINATIONS ON THE COURT). ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SUCCEED IN SPORT HAS TO BE COMMITTED.

**WE DO NOT CARE WHAT SCHOOL OUR PLAYERS GO TO.**

**WHY? ALL WE CARE ABOUT IS THAT PLAYERS ARE AVAILABLE AT LEAST 80% FOR TRAINING AND MATCHES. IF PLAYERS CAN MAKE THIS WORK, THEY WILL FIT OUR CLUB! WE REALLY LOVE WHEN WE CAN WORK WITH SCHOOLS TO ENABLE PLAYERS TO PLAY THE HIGHEST CLUB LEVEL WITH US, WHILST ALSO SUPPORTING THEIR IMPORTANT SCHOOL GAMES TOO.**

**WE WANT OUR PLAYERS TO JOIN US AS EARLY AS THEY CAN.**

IF WE CAN WORK WITH PLAYERS FROM THE YOUNGEST AGE GROUPS, THEIR BASIC SKILLS WILL BE PERFECTED AND THIS WILL ENABLE THEM TO FLOURISH WHEN THEY REACH OUR OLDER SQUADS. YOUNGER PLAYERS DO NOT NEED TO HAVE EXPERIENCE IN NETBALL, JUST POTENTIAL! WE WILL WORK WITH THEM TO GIVE THEM THE TOOLS TO BE AN OUTSTANDING NETBALLER AND LOVE NETBALL! OUR PLAYERS WHO ARE NOW REACHING ENGLAND AND FRANCHISE LEVEL HAVE BEEN WITH US SINCE THE START OF THEIR CLUB NETBALL JOURNEYS, WHICH JUST SHOWS THE PROGRESS WE ACHIEVE WITH PLAYERS WHO COMMIT WITH US.

**WE WANT OUR MAGIC PLAYERS TO SUCCEED IN THEIR NETBALL AND IF THEY WISH TO, TO PROGRESS ON THE ENGLAND NETBALL PATHWAY.**

**WHY? SO THEY CAN EXCEL IN THE SPORT AND ACHIEVE MEMORIES THAT WILL LAST THEM A LIFETIME! WE DEDICATE A LOT OF TIME TO ENABLE OUR PLAYERS TO PROGRESS. THIS RANGES FROM:**

- A HUGE NUMBER OF MATCH PLAY OPPORTUNITIES AGAINST THE BEST TEAMS,
- ONCE A WEEK FOCUSED TRAINING (WHICH INCLUDES SKILLS BASED TRAINING AND A NETBALL FITNESS SPECIFIC SESSION),
- FROM U13 UPWARDS, ACCESS TO VIDEO ANALYSIS SOFTWARE TO REVIEW INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM PERFORMANCE IN GAMES,
- ACCESS TO MASTERCLASSES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR,
- TARGETED TRAINING PROGRAMMES,
- LOTS OF SOCIAL EVENTS,
- OPPORTUNITIES TO ATTEND A HUGE NUMBER OF TOURNAMENTS, -AND GO ON THE BEST NETBALL TOURS!

**SINCE WE STARTED ONLY 4 YEARS AGO, WE HAVE ALREADY HAD OVER 80 PLAYERS SELECTED FOR COUNTY, FRANCHISE, OR THE ENGLAND ROSES ACADEMY!**

**WE DO REQUIRE OUR PLAYERS TO DO SOME INDIVIDUAL WALL WORK (OR SHOOTING IF A SHOOTER) OUTSIDE OF TRAINING.**

**WHY? CONSISTENT HARD WORK GAINS SUCCESS.**

ATHLETES WHO WANT TO SUCCEED WILL COMMIT THEIR TIME TO PROGRESS THEIR SKILLS. MAGIC PLAYERS ARE PLAYERS WHO WANT TO IMPROVE AND PLAY THEIR BEST. THEREFORE INDIVIDUAL PRACTICE SHOULD BE PART OF A PLAYER'S WEEKLY ROUTINE TO ENSURE THEY PERFORM AT EVERY GAME. THE WALL WORK PROGRAMMES WE SET RANGE FROM AN EXTRA 10-35 MINS PER WEEK (DEPENDENT ON AGE). SHOOTERS ARE EXPECTED TO SHOOT 5-7 TIMES A WEEK (AGAIN AMOUNT VARIES BASED ON AGE).

**IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT US**

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# V.I.M Holiday Club

Half Term Holiday Club | 17th - 24th Feb 2025

## Castlewood Primary School

Castlewood Rd, Southwater, Horsham

LONG OR SHORT SESSIONS AVAILABLE

### FIRST HOLIDAY CLUBS OF 2025!

Outdoor Fun • Arts & Crafts • Cupcake  
Decorating • Team Games • Dance &  
Movement • Obstacle Courses • Face  
Painting • Slime Making.

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**FEBRUARY 24TH**

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