



# Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025

## TERM 2 EVENT DATES

### TERM 2 DATES 2025-26

**Week 1**  
Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October  
Term 1 Begins  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October  
New Reception Open Evening 6:00-7:00pm

**Week 2**  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November  
New Reception Starters Open Morning 9:15-11:00am  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November  
Fireworks Event  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November  
Joy Lane Remembrance Service

**Week 3**  
W/C Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Anti-bullying Week  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November  
Odd Socks Day  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November  
Michael Rosen Day  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November  
Children in Need Day (non-uniform)

**Week 4**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> November  
Scholastic Book Fair  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November  
New Reception Starters Open Morning 9:15-11:00am  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November  
Sharing Learning Afternoon - 2:00-3:00pm  
Pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale &  
Pre-loved JLPS Uniform Sale - 3:15pm

**Week 5**  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November  
Extended Learning Clubs Finish

**Week 6**  
Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
Oysters Pantomime Visit  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December  
Year 6 Wine Gums and Wisdom 6:00-7:00pm

**Week 7**  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December  
Babies & Toddler Christmas Stay and Play 9:00am  
Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
Klee Christmas Show 9:30am  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
Kahlo Christmas Show 9:30am  
Year 1 Christmas Show 2:00pm  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> December  
Kandinsky Christmas Show 9:30am  
Year 1 Christmas Show 2:00pm  
Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Year 2 Christmas Songs & Crafts 2-3pm

**Week 8**  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December  
KS2 Oysters Nativity 2pm  
Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas in Pre-School - 9:30am  
Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Lunch  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December  
Christmas Parties

*Last day of term finishing times...*  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
Oysters SRP 1:30pm  
Main School 2:00pm  
Oyster Bay Nursery 3:30pm  
After School Club 4:00pm

**\*We are waiting for confirmation of the date for the KS2 Christingle Service.**



**FIREWORKS – THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**



**FIREWORKS**

**DISPLAY**

**JOY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
& FRIENDS OF JOY LANE**

**THURSDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025**

**GATES OPEN: 5:30PM  
DISPLAY STARTS: 6:30PM  
EVENT CLOSES: 7:00PM**

**ADULTS £8  
CHILDREN £5  
FAMILY £22  
(2ADULTS 2 CHILDREN)  
UNDER 3S FREE**

HOT FOOD AND DRINK STALLS  
PLEASE DO NOT BRING SPARKLERS  
CARD PAYMENT AND CORRECT CHANGE  
DOGS NOT ALLOWED ON SITE  
BLUE BADGE PARKING ONLY



**Buy your tickets [here](#).**



## APFS CHRISTMAS CARD ORDERS



**DON'T MISS OUT!**  
**CHRISTMAS CARD FUNDRAISING PROJECT**

BUY UNIQUE CARDS & GIFTS MADE FROM YOUR CHILD'S CHRISTMAS ARTWORK

EACH PURCHASE HELPS RAISE VALUABLE FUNDS FOR OUR SCHOOL

**ART PROJECTS for SCHOOLS**

**REMINDER:**  
PLEASE USE THE 8-CHARACTER ORDER CODE ABOVE THE QR CODE TO MAKE YOUR PURCHASE at [apfsorders.co.uk](https://www.apfsorders.co.uk)

Your child's Christmas card design should now have been sent home. The artwork your child has created can be accurately reproduced in full colour onto Christmas cards that are available in packs of 12. Additional items are also available such as packs of 6 larger gloss coated luxury Christmas cards, packs of 3 sheets of wrapping paper, packs of 12 folded gift tags, mugs and tote bags.

Any purchases made by the deadline will raise additional funds for the school.

To order, simply visit <https://www.apfsorders.co.uk>, and input the unique artwork code - found on the label on the reverse of the artwork - and your child's first name and surname. Orders must be placed by midnight on 04/11/25. (Please do not scan the QR code).

## ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance data week ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2025



<b>JLPS Whole School attendance</b>	<b>95.7%</b>
<b>Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)</b>	<b>85 pupils 13.53%</b>

<b>Klee – 97.2%</b>	<b>Kahlo – 79.6%</b>	<b>Kandinsky – 96.7%</b>
<b>Van Gogh – 92.6%</b>	<b>Voysey – 97%</b>	<b>Vallotton – 99.6%</b>
<b>Picasso – 96.1%</b>	<b>Postgate – 95.5%</b>	<b>Potter – 97.1%</b>
<b>Riley – 96.2%</b>	<b>Rousseau – 92.2%</b>	<b>Ringgold – 92.8%</b>
<b>Hockney – 98.3%</b>	<b>Heron – 95.6%</b>	<b>Hepworth – 93.8%</b>
<b>Degas – 83.1%</b>	<b>Dali – 90%</b>	<b>Da Vinci – 91.3%</b>
<b>Bailey – 93.2%</b>	<b>Banksy – 93.4%</b>	<b>Boyce – 95.9%</b>
<b>Oysters – 95.1%</b>		

## WINTER READY FOR OPAL PLAY!



Please check your child has wellies and outdoor clothing suitable for the muddy/wet days ahead and bring these into school so that they can continue to enjoy their OPAL lunchtimes.



## YEAR 6 BAKE SALE



## TERM 2 CURRICULUM WEBS

We are excited to share our learning with you for Term 2 through our year group Curriculum Webs. Here, you will find a snapshot of learning across the curriculum and see how we immerse the children in their learning through a range of hooks and books! Please click [here](#) to be directed to your child's Curriculum Web.

## POPPY APPEAL

This year we are again supporting the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. We will be selling poppy resources to raise funds for this amazing charity.

Children can buy all poppy resources from the school office from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.

Please see the below information with details of items which you can buy:

- Reflectors – 50p
- Snap Bands - £1.50
- Adjustable Bracelet - £1.50



# FRIENDS OF JOY LANE

## CHOOSE US AS YOUR LOCAL CAUSE

Co-op Members can help us receive a share of £5m from the Local Community Fund.

Choose us on the Co-op App or at [coop.co.uk/membership](https://coop.co.uk/membership)



**CO-OP**  
OWNED BY YOU.  
RIGHT BY YOU.

We're excited to share that Friends of Joy Lane (FOJL) are part of the Co-op Local Community Fund! 🌱


You can help us raise money every time you shop — just:

- 1 Sign in to your Co-op Membership account (or download the Co-op App)
- 2 Go to the 'Wallet' tab
- 3 Select Friends of Joy Lane as your chosen cause

Plus, FOJL earns £5 for every new member who joins via the app (up to 10 members) - but only until 15 November 2025! Click [here](#). Your support really makes a difference - thank you!

Meet the Committee — Week 5! ✨

Say hello to our lovely committee member, Helen ❤️ Helen's always bringing positive vibes, fresh ideas, and a big smile to everything she does! We're so lucky to have her as part of the team 🙌



## Hello, I'm Helen

Hi, I'm Helen! I'm a FOJL committee member and love being chatty, social, and meeting new people. My children have been through Joy Lane and I joined FOJL to help all the children at the school enjoy a fun programme of events throughout the year. It's wonderful to be part of a friendly, hardworking team of parents who work together to raise important funds that benefit the school both now and in the future, creating memorable experiences for all the children.



# FOJL

## Fireworks Refreshments

LAGER  
CIDER  
MULLED WINE **£3**

SOFT DRINKS **£1**

SWEET TREATS **£2**

### NEW RECEPTION STARTERS 2026




### JOY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS

#### RECEPTION STARTERS 2026

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October: 10 am-12 pm  
 Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October: 9:15 am- 11 am  
 Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October: 6 pm- 7 pm (adults only)  
 Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November: 9:15 am- 11 am  
 Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November: 9:15 am- 11 am  
 Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> January: 9:15 am- 11 am



Please follow to book: 

 01227 261430  [WWW.JOYLANE.KENT.SCH.UK](http://WWW.JOYLANE.KENT.SCH.UK)  



## PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 1** of the [menu](#).
- **Send your child in with appropriate clothing for outdoor OPAL play now that it is getting colder and wetter.**
- **Book your fireworks tickets [here](#).**
- **Download a copy of our Term 2 dates [here](#).**
- **Support the FoJL who have joined the Co-op Local Community Fund. Click [here](#).**
- **Poppies and other items will be sold in the school office from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.**

