



# Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

## CHRISTMAS DINNER – WEDNESDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

**JOY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# Christmas MENU

Wednesday 17th December 2025

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**MAIN**

Roast Turkey with all the Trimmings  
Vegetable Wellington (vg)

Roast Potatoes (vg)  
Carrots, Peas and Brussels (vg)  
Gravy (vg)

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**DESSERT**

Christmas Biscuit (d/f, vg)  
*g/f Christmas Biscuit available*  
Chocolate Yule Log  
*Allergy free Chocolate cake will be available (v, d/f, g/f)*

vg - vegan  
v - vegetarian  
g/f - gluten free  
d/f - dairy free

All dietary requirements will be catered for

**We will be enjoying our Christmas Dinner, complete with crackers and table settings, on Wednesday 17th December 2025!**

**Please complete this [form](#) with your child's choice of main and dessert – please also do this if your child receives Free School Meals or Universal Free School Meals as this will help us cater to correct numbers. (You do not need to make payment). Meals cost £2.95 and are payable via Arbor. Deadline for orders is Monday 8th December 2025.**

## SANTA DASH – FRIDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER



On 12th December, our school will be joining in a fun Santa Dash! The children will be running, skipping, walking or even hopping around the field as many times as they can. We will already be wearing our Christmas jumpers that day, but children are welcome to add a Santa hat or any festive accessories to make the dash even more exciting. Please collect any sponsorship money in cash and bring it to the school office by 19th December. All the money raised will help us buy new PE equipment, kit and extra opportunities for the children. Sponsorship forms will be available from Monday. Thank you for your support!

## FRIENDS OF JOY LANE



Get a sprinkle of Christmas magic! FOJL are providing personalised letters from Santa - lovingly prepared and sprinkled with festive cheer! Each letter comes with reindeer food.

🔔 Order your letters now and let the festive fun begin! Letters are available to order until 8th December! <https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofjoylane/index.cfm#>



Thank you so much for all your support at last week's Pre-Owned Christmas Jumper Sale! We are thrilled to share that, thanks to your generosity and enthusiasm, we raised a wonderful £336.90. Absolutely amazing — thank you!

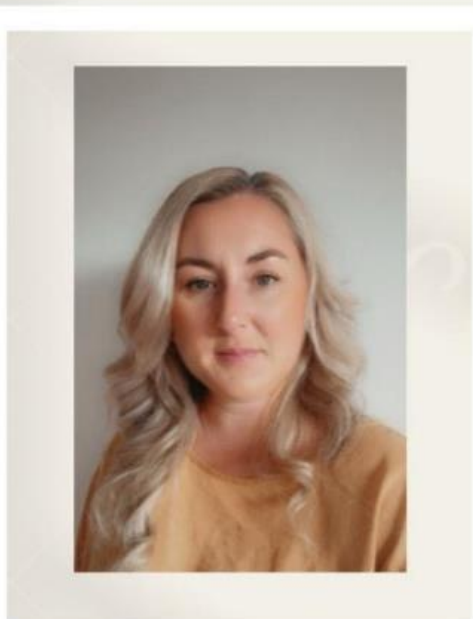


FoJL needs your help! We're in the running for the final £1,000 Movement for Good draw of the year – and it's a big one! This December, £1,000 will be given to 10 charities every day for 12 festive days. Please nominate Joy Lane Primary School Parents, Teachers, Friends Association to give us the best chance of winning. The more nominations we receive, the better our chances – so please share! Click [here](#)!

Nominations are open now and close at 23:59 on December 15th, 2025. Thank you for your support!

### Week 9 of “Meet the Committee” - our final introduction!

Every week we've highlighted a different member of the amazing FOJL team. To finish off our series, we're excited to introduce Natalie, our final featured committee member!



# Hello, I'm Natalie

Hi, I'm Nat! I'm a FOJL Committee Member and the person behind FOJL's social media. Being part of FOJL is incredibly rewarding – not only do I get to support fundraising that goes straight back into the school, but I also see the difference it makes in providing all pupils with amazing opportunities.

Being involved in the PTA means building a real sense of community, working alongside other parents and staff, and celebrating what we can achieve together. It's fulfilling to know that our efforts help create special experiences for the children!

## WINEGUMS AND WISDOM PRIZE RAFFLE – CAN YOU HELP?

We're looking forward to our upcoming Wine Gums and Wisdom evening, and we're excited to share that we will also be holding a raffle to help supplement Year 6's fundraising for next year's school trip to London. A huge thank-you for your already generous support during the recent Shared Learning afternoon cake sale—it's greatly appreciated!

If you're able to contribute a raffle prize, we'd be grateful for donations such as chocolates, wine or toiletries. We also warmly welcome local businesses that may wish to offer vouchers in exchange for a little free advertising at the event.

## ATTENDANCE UPDATE



Attendance data week ending 28<sup>th</sup> November 2025

JLPS Whole School attendance	95.1%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	84 pupils 13.39%

Klee – 94.8%	Kahlo – 93%	Kandinsky – 91.3%
Van Gogh – 94.8%	Voysey – 95.4%	Vallotton – 95.9%
Picasso – 93.7%	Postgate – 90%	Potter – 93.6%
Riley – 95.2%	Rousseau – 93.3%	Ringgold – 94%
Hockney – 96.3%	Heron – 94.6%	Hepworth – 95.9%
Degas – 94.1%	Dali – 93.7%	Da Vinci – 94.3%
Bailey – 97.9%	Banksy – 95.6%	Boyce – 90.3%
Oysters – 89.7%		

## MEET SANTA AT MEADOW GRANGE

Thank you to Meadow Grange, who have not only donated our school Christmas trees, but also the lovely hanging baskets in the Year 3 outside area near Riley classroom.

Tickets now on sale!

# Santa's Grotto

at Meadow Grange



Meet Santa and his festive farm animals on the following dates:




Saturday 6th December
Sunday 7th December
Friday 12th December
Saturday 13th December
Sunday 14th December
Saturday 20th December
Sunday 21st December
Monday 22nd December

Book online: [www.meadowgrangenursery.co.uk](http://www.meadowgrangenursery.co.uk)

Click [here](http://www.meadowgrangenursery.co.uk) to book.

# NURSERY RHYME COMPETITION

To further celebrate *Michael Rosen Day*, we're holding a special Nursery Rhyme Competition! Children can collect quiz forms from their class teacher and return completed entries to the school office with a £1 entrance fee. Fantastic prizes are up for grabs – our First Prize is a wonderful book hamper, and the Second Prize is a cuddly teddy reading buddy. Let's celebrate stories, rhymes, and the joy of reading together! Deadline for entries is **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**.

**YEAR 6 PRESENTS**

## NURSERY RHYME QUIZ

for Michael Rosen day

Have you got the time  
To solve these traditional  
nursery rhymes?

**Just for JLPS**  
All welcome!  
Collect from your teacher

**EVENT RULES**  
Collect a quiz from your teacher  
Fill it in at home – with the (optional) help of your friends and family!  
Bring your quiz back to the main office and pay £1 to enter!  
Winners to be revealed at Wine-gums and Wisdom, and posted on Dojo!

**PRIZES**  
1st PLACE  
Book Hampers!  
2nd PLACE  
A new cuddly reading buddy!

**How to Enter:**  
Collect a quiz from your teacher, complete, hand in to the office and pay £1!

**Confused?** Find Miss Crowe or Dr Heald to answer your questions

## PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 1** of the [menu](#).
- **Book your child's Christmas Dinner via this [form](#).**
- Can you buy something from our [OPAL Amazon Wishlist](#)?
- **Why not take part in the Nursery Rhyme Quiz to win a book hamper? Deadline is Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.**
- Order your Santa letter [here](#).
- **We are now fully booked for the Key Stage 2 Christingle Service. If you filled out the form, your place is secured. You will be required to sign in on arrival to the event.**
- Please nominate Joy Lane Primary School Parents, Teachers, Friends Association to give us the best chance of winning the Movement for Good draw. Click [here](#)!