



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2023

JEANS FOR GENES DAY – FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER

**HALF A MILLION
CHILDREN IN THE UK
ARE AFFECTED BY
A LIFE-ALTERING
GENETIC DISORDER**

THAT'S 1 IN 25 →



20,000

We all have 20,000 genes. Just one fault on one of them can cause a genetic disorder.

6,000

There are over 6,000 genetic disorders – and more are being identified every year.

30,000

This year 30,000 children in the UK will be diagnosed with a genetic disorder.

Jeans for Genes Day is the annual fundraising campaign for the genetic disorders community that supports people affected by a genetic disorder. The monies raised on Jeans for Genes Day provide grants for day-to-day support, equipment, respite and events which bring together affected children and their families. On Friday 22nd September, we are asking our children to swap their whole uniform for jeans, denim and/or something blue in return for a £1 donation!

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance data week ending 15th September 2023



JLPS Whole School attendance	96.6%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	108 pupils 17.64%

Klee – 99.1 %	Kahlo – 97.5%	Kandinsky – 96.9%
Van Gogh – 92.2%	Voysey – 89.3%	Vallotton – 98.9%
Picasso – 99.3%	Postgate – 96.3%	Potter – 97.8%
Riley – 95.9%	Rousseau – 94.8%	Ringold – 97%
Hockney – 97.9%	Heron – 97.1%	Hepworth – 99.6%
Degas – 95.2%	Dali – 89.0%	Da Vinci – 93.5%
Bailey – 97.2%	Banksy – 98.5%	Boyce – 97.3%
Oysters – 91.6%		

MOBILE PHONES – YEARS 5 & 6

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and you feel that they need to bring a mobile phone to school, please ensure that you have completed the [permission form](#). We do not encourage children to bring mobile phones into school but completely understand why, as busy parents and carers, you may want your child to carry one if they walk to and from school independently or need them to communicate with you in the event of an emergency outside school. All phones should be handed into the school office in the morning and collected at the end of the day, remaining switched off until they have left the school site.



TERM 1 CURRICULUM WEBS

We are excited to share our learning with you for Term 1 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.

WHITSTABLE LIBRARY



Wednesday 13 September is Roald Dahl day!

To celebrate we will be holding a craft
session

Saturday 16 September at 11am

Come design your very own Wonka bar Label and
enjoy some Roald Dahl themed colouring.



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PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 3** of the [menu](#).
- Download a copy of our handy Term 1 dates [here](#).
- If you have a child in **Year 6**, please be aware that the secondary application process is now beginning. Find out more [here](#).
- Remember to check the government guidance if your child is poorly: [NHS 'Is my child too ill for school?' guidance](#)
- Now that the weather is becoming cooler, please ensure that your child is wearing their tie to school.
- A reminder that **Year 3** no longer receive **Universal Free School Meals** or a piece of fruit for snack time. Please ensure that you pack a healthy morning snack for your child and top up your **Arbor** account to pay for school dinners.
- Please be aware that the price of a school meal is now **£2.60**.
- If you are parked on site at the end of the school day, please note that cars are not allowed to move until 3:35pm, which is in line with our new later finishing time.
- If you have a child in **Year 3** or **Year 4**, don't forget to pop along to our 'Meet the Teacher' session on **Monday at 9:00am**. Please drop your child and wait at the back of the classroom doors until the teacher is ready to let you in.

