



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 3rd November 2023

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see the children return to school this week, and they have returned very excited; many said how much fun it has been having Halloween and Fireworks in the same week!

It was a real pleasure to see so many of our families and members of the wider community join our Firework extravaganza and we are so pleased the weather behaved itself - we had been avidly tracking the Met Office weather information since Sunday, and we are so glad we were able to go ahead with this community event. A special thank you to the magnificent Joy Lane staff for ensuring we were all safe and well-fed, and the Friends of Joy Lane for providing a stall full of delicious treats. A great time was had by all.

What a blustery, windy, wet week of weather we have had! As they say in the Nordic countries, there is no such thing as bad weather, just bad clothing! If there is ever a time that the school cannot open due to adverse weather or other issues, we will send you all a message via Arbor and via our social media sites, and a message will appear on our school website.

This term, on Friday 24th November between 2-3pm, I am looking forward to inviting you all in to our Sharing Learning Afternoon where you will be able to share your children's work and see how busy they have been. This is also the same day as our Friends of Joy Lane "pre-loved Christmas jumper sale" and JLPS pre-loved uniform sale - it will be a fun afternoon.

All good wishes,

Ms D J Hines

HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH-UP

Welcome to the first House Captain Catch Up' this term. As a reminder, if you play EdShed, you could win your house colour ten extra house points each week. Last term, Mayflower won the prize for Term 1 and got a non-school uniform day. I wonder which house will win the prize for Term 2?

A Year 5 and 6 reminder is to make sure that if you want to go to the residential, then you must sign up and pay your deposit. Year six are going to Sussex because The Isle of Wight was fully booked when we were ready to book, but don't worry as Sussex is just as good with water sports like dragon boat racing and raft building! Year five will be going to Gilwell park just outside London. This is where we went last year, and it was amazing!



ATTENDANCE UPDATE



Attendance data week ending 3rd November 2023

JLPS Whole School attendance	94.3%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	113 pupils 18.31%

Klee – 98.6 %	Kahlo – 94.7%	Kandinsky – 89.3%
Van Gogh – 91.8%	Voysey – 88.9%	Vallotton – 95%
Picasso – 97.3%	Postgate – 91.7%	Potter – 92.7%
Riley – 88.8%	Rousseau – 97.8%	Ringold – 93.7%
Hockney – 96.8%	Heron – 94.1%	Hepworth – 93.6%
Degas – 93.6%	Dali – 96.3%	Da Vinci – 87.8%
Bailey – 94.1%	Banksy – 90.5%	Boyce – 93.3%
Oysters – 93.4%		

TERM 2 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.

NEW RECEPTION STARTERS 2024 – OPEN DAYS

Day	Date and Time
Saturday	14th October 10am-12pm
Tuesday	17th October 9am -11am
Tuesday	14th November 9am-11am
Tuesday	21st November 9am-11am
Tuesday	21st November 6pm-7pm
Tuesday	9th January 9am-11am

Spread the word and book a place [here](#).



COMMUNITY NOTICE



WINTER
POP UP PRELOVED

MENS, KIDS & WOMENS CLOTHES AND SHOES

Most items will be £1 each , our Cost of Living Crisis contribution

10am - 3pm
Saturday 11th November 2023

Whitstable Umbrella Centre,
10 Oxford Street, CT5 1DD

For more details:
communityclothesbank.org.uk
or on facebook and IG -
Community Clothes Bank

COMMUNITY CLOTHES BANK

ALL WRAPPED UP – SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY

This year we are supporting 'All Wrapped Up'. If you would like to donate a new gift (for a child aged 0 – 17), we will be collecting these in school until **Friday 24th November**. Alternatively, you could make a donation [online](#). Watch this [video](#) to see what they achieved last year!



ALL WRAPPED UP

All Wrapped Up is a project of Riverside Church working with our local schools and partners to provide Christmas presents and food hampers to families in need.

In 2022 the parents and carers of over 320 referred children came to Riverside and chose presents at our free Winter Wonderland (scan the QR code to see how we did this). A huge team of volunteers also packed and distributed 280 hamper bags, each providing everything for a Christmas dinner for four.

How can you help All Wrapped Up 2023?

By donating a new gift: for someone aged between 0 to 17 years (up to £20). All donations can be dropped off at Riverside Monday to Friday between 9am & 4pm - see our address below.

By donating financially online:

At bit.ly/allwrappedupriverside through this QR code

We would be very grateful for any donation you feel able to make, but as an indication, each Christmas dinner hamper for a family of 4 costs in the region of £40 each. If you are a business and would like to discuss how you could support this project, please contact us. Thank you for helping us help families in need this Christmas.

Riverside Church, Thanet Way, Whitstable CT5 3JQ
www.riversideuk.org

RIVERSIDE CHURCH



PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Nex week will be **Week 1** of the [menu](#).
- Download a copy of our Term 2 key dates [here](#).
- Spread the word about our **New Starters Reception** events. Book your places [here](#).
- Watch the **Year 6 Residential Meeting** [here](#). To book your child's place, pay the deposit by **24th November**.
- Watch the **Year 5 Residential Meeting** [here](#). To book your child's place, pay the deposit by **24th November**.
- A reminder to not use the field as a walkway to and from the classrooms.
- If you would like to donate a new gift for the **All Wrapped Up** project, we will be collecting these in school until **Friday 24th November**.
- Click [here](#) to be view your child's **Curriculum Web**.
- Nursery and sibling photos (those that did not happen on the previous date) will take place on **Monday 6th November**.
- A reminder that we are a **NUT-FREE** school. Please check the food that you are packing for your child's snack and lunch.

