



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 10th November 2023

PARENT / CARER SURVEY

To help us make sure we're providing the best standard of education for your children, we would like to know how you feel about our school.

This will help us to:

- Find out what we're doing well and where we could do better
- Decide which areas to prioritise when developing our school improvement plan
- Make sure we're meeting the needs of you and your children

Please take the time to complete this [survey](#) to help us make Joy Lane Primary School the best it can be. Please complete the online survey by Monday 20th of November. Replies will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

Your feedback, whether positive or constructive is very important to us so please take the time to complete the survey.

Yours sincerely

Joy Lane Leadership Team and School Governors

DD SOCKS DAY AND ANTI-BULLYING WEEK – NEXT WEEK!

Anti-Bullying Week 2023 takes place from Monday 13th – Friday 17th November. Bullying affects millions of lives and can leave us feeling hopeless. But it doesn't have to be this way. If we challenge it, we can change it. And it starts by reaching out.

We will spend time in class and assemblies talking about what bullying is and what we can do.

This year, we are holding Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November, which is a chance for schools to celebrate what makes us all unique. All you have to do to take part is wear odd socks with your normal school uniform – it could not be simpler!



CHRISTMAS JUMPER SWAP

We are collecting pre-loved jumpers in preparation for our Pre-loved Christmas Jumper Sale on Friday 24th November. If you have any Christmas jumpers at home that no longer fit, please consider donating them to the school for our sale. Thank you.



CHILDREN IN NEED – FRIDAY 17TH NOVEMBER



On Friday 17th November, Joy Lane will be supporting Children in Need, whose mission it is to help ensure every child in the UK is safe, happy, secure and has the opportunities they need to reach their potential. They fund local charities and projects who help remove the barriers that are facing children and young people, so that they can thrive.

The children are invited to **wear non-uniform** – with a splash of yellow or spots if they want to! (If your child has PE that day, they can wear non-uniform that would be suitable for the lesson or bring in their PE kit to change into.) Find us on the gates on Friday with our orange buckets if you can spare some loose change to donate. Alternatively, you can donate directly online: [Donate to BBC Children in Need](#) or, you may have already donated outside of school by buying Children in Need merchandise, like Pudsey ears.

We are also celebrating with a special menu (below) which your child can order on the day in the register as usual. Payments should be made via Arbor in the usual way.

Children in Need Day

Menu



Friday 17th November 2021

Chicken Nuggets
Veggie Hot Dog in a Bun
Fries

Baked Beans
Peas
Ketchup and BBQ Sauce

Teddy Bear Biscuit



All dietary requirements will be catered for



PICK A NUMBER FOR PUDSEY



Visit Pudsey, who will alternate between the KS1 and KS2 gates in the afternoon next week, to be in with a chance to win him! Pay £1 to choose a number and we will choose a winner on Children in Need Day on Friday 17th November!

HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH-UP

Welcome to the weekly house captain catch-up. Today, we took part in two Remembrance assemblies in both the Key Stage 1 and The Key Stage 2 halls. Between the four of us, we read stories of people around the country who have been affected by wars and conflict. In addition to this, Mrs Rawlings played 'The Last Post' and 'The Reveille' on the trumpet. There was also a child called Sibyl in Year 2 who accompanied Mrs Rawlings in playing the trumpet with her very own pink trumpet from Father Christmas.

Lastly, we were very lucky to have visitors from The British Legion who were part of the ceremony and gave out prizes to the winners of the Remembrance Design a Badge competition.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance data week ending 10th November 2023



JLPS Whole School attendance	94.6%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	110 pupils 17.82%

Klee – 92.5 %	Kahlo – 97.3%	Kandinsky – 90.7%
Van Gogh – 90.9%	Voysey – 97.9%	Vallotton – 96.5%
Picasso – 98.5%	Postgate – 95.7%	Potter – 96.7%
Riley – 96.3%	Rousseau – 96.7%	Ringgold – 98.0%
Hockney – 98.4%	Heron – 94.8%	Hepworth – 97.5%
Degas – 97.6%	Dali – 98.8%	Da Vinci – 94.2%
Bailey – 94.1%	Banksy – 94.4%	Boyce – 95.7%
Oysters – 95.5%		



20'S PLENTY ROAD SAFETY CAMPAIGN



20's Plenty for Us

...making your place a better place to be

We are writing to let you know that the school will be supporting a local campaign to raise awareness around the dangers of speeding vehicles in and around the local area.

The 20 is Plenty Campaign have been in contact with us with the suggestion that the school display posters and or banners to raise awareness and highlight the need for further safety initiatives, but also to act as a signal to drivers to be mindful with their speed and to slow down.

We are sure you would all agree that further measures to improve safety for children, local residents and pedestrians, especially during pick up or drop off, would be most welcome.

PACKED LUNCHES – KEEPING THEM COOL

Now the colder weather is approaching we've turned up the school heating system, the corridors and areas where packed lunches are stored are warmer. Please can you be mindful of what items you pack in your child's lunch box, and if necessary, add ice packs to keep things cool and at a safe temperature.

CHRISTMAS EVENT

**Visit Santa & the
Festive Farm Animals
At Meadow Grange
This December
2nd & 3rd
9th & 10th
16th & 17th**

**BOOK ONLINE AT
meadowgrangenursery.co.uk**



Working with Whitstable Lions



PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 2 of the menu**.
- Download a copy of our Term 2 key dates [here](#).
- Deposits for the Years 5 and 6 Residentials are due on **Friday 24th November**. This will secure your child's place.
- Spread the word about our **New Starters Reception events**. Book your places [here](#).
- 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**.
- It is **Odd Socks Day on Monday 13th November**.
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