



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 27th September 2024

CENSUS DAY MENU

Thursday 3rd October 2024 is School Census Day, which is the day when the government take a count of all the children that we have in our school to calculate our funding for the year ahead.

The number of children choosing a school dinner on that day decides a large element of the funding, and as a result, we would like to encourage as many children as possible to opt-in for a school dinner on this day.

We have an exciting, alternative menu for Census Day this year, and we hope to see lots of children enjoying this meal.

Your child simply needs to ask for a school meal at registration and payment is taken via Arbor. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Please note that Friday's menu will be Beef Lasagne / Roasted Vegetable Lasagne / Garlic Bread / Mixed Salad with Chocolate Mousse & Mandarins for pudding.



'HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH-UP'

Firstly, we would like to introduce ourselves - we are the House Captains, and our names are Rosalie, Skyler, Amber and Isla.

My name is Rosalie F, and I have been chosen for this job because I'm ready, responsible and respectful, and I put 100% into my work. My name is Amber E I'm in Discovery, and I have been chosen for this job because I am kind and follow the 3Rs. Hi, my name is Skyler, and I have been chosen for this role because I am ready, respectful and responsible, and I put 100% into my work. Hi, my name is Isla and I've been chosen for this role because I am ready, kind, responsible and generous.

The start of the term has begun, and it has been a great array of children and teachers learning together. This year is going to be a fun one - the best yet! This week, we have chosen the Eco Reps, School Council, Year 6 Maths Masters, Reading Ambassadors, and in the following weeks, we will choose the Language Ambassadors.

So far, we have collected the house points, and it has been going brilliantly. You should encourage your children to play Times Tables Rock Stars to get even more! The children have been doing great so far and they will exceed, the teachers' expectations, blooming like a flower. Thank you for reading our first newsletter entry.

HARVEST FESTIVAL – CANTERBURY FOOD BANK

On Thursday 3rd October, we will be celebrating Harvest Festival with a collection for the Canterbury Food Bank, who are in desperate need of donations at the moment. If you are able to help, please see the list of items below that are most needed. On Thursday morning, look out for the tables to drop off your donations.



This Harvest we would appreciate:

Baked Beans	Cleaning Products
Tinned Peas & Carrots	Shampoo
Tinned Tomatoes	Showergel
Tinned Tuna	Washing Powder
Tinned Meatballs	Cat/Dog Food
Soup	Washing Up Liquid
Tinned Pasta	Jam / Peanut Butter
Pasta Sauce	Tinned Rice Pudding
Long Life Milk *	Tinned Fruit
Long Life Fruit Juice	Dried Pasta 500g *

*Please also consider Free-From options



FIREWORKS EVENT!



FIREWORKS DISPLAY

JOY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL
& FRIENDS OF JOY LANE

WEDNESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2024

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

ADULTS £7
CHILDREN £4
FAMILY £20
(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



[Book Here](#)



MUSIC LESSONS

As you will be aware, Music lessons are very popular here at Joy Lane. We have 3 instrumental teachers, offering a wide range of instruments across all the families of percussion, strings, woodwind and brass.



We continue to hold a waiting list of pupils, but we have been able to expand the number of students we teach this academic year and so we are again advertising spaces for *certain* instruments.

If your child is in Year 2 (or even 1), it is still a good idea to ensure your name is added to our waiting list, so they are first to gain the places when they reach Year 3. In exceptional cases, we do sometimes offer some places to Year 2s, if we have space.

We are currently looking for more flute, recorder, trumpet, trombone and bass guitar pupils to help us broaden the range of our players beyond mostly guitar, drums or piano. Find the booking form [here](#). Our hope is that we can eventually have our own orchestra alongside the pop bands we always have. In most cases, instruments can be loaned for free from us or we can arrange very affordable loans from the Kent Music School service.

If you are currently on the waiting list with us and would like to check your place and a predicted start date, then please do not hesitate to contact me (Mrs Rawlings) privately via Dojo. We do our utmost to manage the waiting lists, but if you have been waiting a while, then please check in with me so we know no one has been forgotten.

WE NEED YOU – READING VOLUNTEERS!

A poster with an orange background. At the top left, a girl is jumping with a parachute made of books. At the top right, a boy is reading a large red book. The text in the center reads 'READING VOLUNTEERS WE NEED YOU!' in large, bold, red letters. Below this is the Joy Lane Primary School logo, which is a blue circle with a white figure and the text 'JOY LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL'. Below the logo, the text asks: 'Can you offer some time to help boost our children's reading confidence and fluency? Complete the Google Form to show your interest.' At the bottom, it states: 'All reading volunteers will be trained and be required to have a DBS check.'

Please complete the [Google Form](#) to show your interest and we will be in touch with further details regarding training and getting started in Term 2. Thank you in advance for your support.



KEY STAGE 2 SPELLING HOMEWORK UPDATE

After careful consideration, we have decided to discontinue the use of EdShed for online spelling practice at home. Instead, we will be moving to practising in spelling journals. We believe this method will provide a more hands-on approach, offering children an active way to engage with their spelling words and improve their writing skills. The children's weekly spelling list will be stuck inside the spelling book, and on the inside covers they will find many fun and interactive ways to practise their new words, such as 'rainbow write' and 'pyramid words'.

In Years 5 and 6, the children will be bringing home the book that they use in school, so it is vital that they get into the routine of bringing this between home and school daily. In Years 3 and 4, the children will have a separate home spelling journal. Their weekly spelling lists can be found on ClassDojo to copy into their books (or you can do this for them so they are spelt correctly!) or you can request a paper slip to come home.

We hope that the children enjoy 'putting pen to paper' to learn their spellings!

PARENT PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS

We are looking forward to meeting you – either virtually or in person – on Tuesday 8th or Wednesday 9th October. Booking will go live this evening at 5pm via Arbor. If you are attending a virtual meeting, this will be via telephone call. If you would like a Teams meeting, please send a message to your child's Class Teacher via ClassDojo with your email address and meeting time.

After School Club is being held in our Oysters SRP building; however, please still come to the main school office at your collection time and a staff member will call over for your child.

Please remember that Extended Learning clubs will not be running next week.

Tuesday 8 th October 2024	
Key Stage 1	Virtual Meeting 3:30-7:00pm
Key Stage 2	Face-to-Face Meeting 3:30-7:00pm
Oysters	Virtual Meeting 3:30-7:00pm
Wednesday 9 th October 2024	
Key Stage 1	Face-to-Face Meeting 3:30-7:00pm
Key Stage 2	Virtual Meeting 3:30-7:00pm
Oysters	Face-to-Face Meeting 3:30-7:00pm

If you have a child in Oysters, please contact the school office to make an appointment, rather than via Arbor.



FRIENDS OF JOY LANE

REACH OUT TO OUR JOY LANE COMMUNITY: We are looking for anyone who may have contacts within a blind company for windows?

We are looking to support Oysters SRP with a blackout blind for a 24ft x 6ft skylight.

They need to be able to create darkness for Sensory Circuits, using a projector screen, and are hoping to create a special sensory Christmas performance.

PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN!

DONATIONS: FOJL are looking for Christmas Jumpers, Outfits, Costumes & Accessories in preparation for our upcoming sale in November. Look out on our social media for further details.

GIFT: Buy a personalised plaque on the new outdoor stage. See fundraising details on our [JustGiving Page](#)

Follow us on socials to keep updated!

www.instagram.com/joylaneschoolpta / www.facebook.com/joylaneschoolpta

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance data week ending 27th September 2024



JLPS Whole School attendance	95.9%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	109 pupils 17.63%

Klee – 96.7 %	Kahlo – 99.3%	Kandinsky – 95%
Van Gogh – 93.4%	Voysey – 99.6%	Vallotton – 93%
Picasso – 95.6%	Postgate – 91%	Potter – 97.7%
Riley – 97.3%	Rousseau – 95.9%	Ringgold – 95.2.%
Hockney – 84.3%	Heron – 89.3%	Hepworth – 84.5%
Degas – 90%	Dali – 97%	Da Vinci – 90.7%
Bailey – 87.8%	Banksy – 94.5%	Boyce – 94.4%
Oysters – 96.7%		

JEANS FOR GENES DAY – THANK YOU!

Your cash and JustGiving donations for Jeans for Genes Day raised a massive £577.07 in cash and online donations! Thank you for your generous donations, which will be going to a very good cause.

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

There are still spaces available for the Year 6 Residential to Marchants Hill, Surrey (Sunday 18th May – Wednesday 21st May 2025). Please contact the school office to enquire and pay the deposit.



OPAL PLAY UPDATE

As the weather is becoming colder and wetter, we are asking parents to send their children into school with their coats, welly boots, waterproof trousers or 'all in ones' if they wish to play in the OPAL sandpit.

If your child likes to play football, could you please send in a spare pair of trainers as the school field is starting to get rather muddy!

Thanks for your continued support towards our OPAL Play at Joy Lane Primary School.



If you wish to contribute towards OPAL play, click [here](#).

OCTOBER HALF-TERM CAMP

Exclusive Discount Code
SCHOOLIO

OCTOBER
HALF-TERM

Multi-Sport Camps

- Ramsgate Holy Trinity - Thanet
- Faversham Strike Force - Faversham
- Wellesley Haddon Dene, with swimming - Thanet
- Spring Grove - Ashford

Soccer Schools

- WW Martin Community Stadium - Ramsgate
- Faversham Strike Force - Faversham
- Herne Bay Sports Hub - Herne Bay
- Whitstable Town FC - Whitstable

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TOTAL SPORTS
COACHING

TSC FOOTBALL



CANTERBURY FAMILY HUBS



Canterbury Family Hubs Timetable

9th September to 25th October 2024

Coastal Family Hubs:

Herne Bay
03000 422889
Parklife, Memorial
Park, Kings Road,
Herne Bay, CT6 5RG
HerneBayFH@kent.gov.uk

Whitstable
03000 421554
Tower Parade,
Whitstable, CT5 2BJ
WhitstableFH@kent.gov.uk

Briary
03000 420897
Greenhill Road (West),
Herne Bay, CT6 7RS
BriaryFH@kent.gov.uk

All of our groups and services are free to attend.
Please Note: Signing in will not be available until 10 minutes before the session starts.

Important Information
Groups at Whitstable Family Hub will not restart until October 2024, as the building will be closed for works between these dates:
16th September - 27th September 2024.

Monday	Whitstable Baby Group 9:30am - 11:00am			
Tuesday	Whitstable Talking Walk-in 9:30am - 11:30am First Tuesday of the month	Whitstable Triple P for Baby 10:00am - 12:00pm	Herne Bay Stay and Play 10:00am - 11:30am	Herne Bay Child Health Clinic and Breastfeeding Support Group 1:30pm - 3:30pm
	Whitstable Zone Out (SNAAP) 5:00pm - 7:00pm			
Wednesday	Herne Bay Talking Walk-in 9:30am - 11:30am Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month	Herne Bay Baby Massage 1:00pm - 2:00pm	Briary Baby Group 1:00pm - 2:30pm	Herne Bay Family Space 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Thursday	Herne Bay SEND Drop In 9:30am - 11:00am First Thursday of the month	Briary Explorers 10:00am - 11:30pm	Herne Bay Young Parents 12:30pm - 2:00pm	Whitstable Baby Massage 10:00am - 11:00am
	Whitstable Child Health Clinic and Breastfeeding Support Group 9:30am - 11:30am	Whitstable SEND Drop In 9:30am - 11:00am Second Friday of the month	Herne Bay Baby Group 10:00am - 11:30am	Canterbury Salvation Army Hall Tots to Teens Emporium 10:00am - 11:30am
Friday				Herne Bay Library Bookstart 1:00pm - 2:00pm

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Family Hub Sites are run by Kent County Council
www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub

Information

Please Note:

For Health and Safety reasons there are room capacity limits in place.

Useful Contact Numbers:

Health Visitor
0300 7900 156
Midwife
01227 206737

For more information about opening times give your local centre a call



<p>0-5 Years Old</p> <p>Stay and Play</p> <p>A play session with a wide range of fun activities for parents/carers and their children to enjoy together. The chance to meet other families, make new friends, and learn through play. Our activities this term will be focussed on communication, language, and literacy.</p>	<p>Baby Group</p> <p>A friendly welcoming group to socialise with others, join in activities with your baby, and gain information, support and advice. The group includes messy play, safe sleeping, born to move, tummy time tips, parenting advice, baby development and more...</p>	<p>Talking Walk-in</p> <p>Play-based drop-in sessions for anyone concerned about their pre-school child's speech, language or communication skills led by the Speech and Language Team.</p>	<p>Young Parents</p> <p>A support group for parents and parents-to-be up to the age of 20 years. Creative and fun sessions with information, advice and an opportunity to make new friends.</p>
<p>Tots to Teens Emporium</p> <p>Please come and browse our ever changing donations. We have a range of items available, such as, clothes (newborn to teen), books, games, toys, baby and toddler equipment.</p> <p>Salvation Army Hall, Whitehouse Lane, Canterbury, CT1 2RU</p>	<p>Triple P for Baby</p> <p>4 week course and follow up contact</p> <p>Triple P offers parents-to-be and new parents easy to understand strategies to help them confidently manage common parenting challenges. Please contact your local family hub to find out more.</p> <p>Booking required: Starts 1st October</p>	<p>1-4 Years Old</p> <p>Bookstart</p> <p>4 Week Course</p> <p>A course bringing stories alive with the use of puppets and books. Receive a free Bookstart pack at the end of the course!</p> <p>Booking Required: Starts 20th September</p> <p>Please contact Herne Bay Family Hub to book on.</p>	<p>8 Weeks to 6 Months</p> <p>Baby Massage</p> <p>3 Week Course</p> <p>Baby Massage enables you to learn about and respond to your baby's body language. It is also a wonderful way to make your baby feel safe and secure.</p> <p>Booking Required</p> <p>Herne Bay: Starts 25th September Whitstable: Starts 3rd October</p>
<p>SEND Drop In</p> <p>Herne Bay - First Thursday of the month Whitstable - Second Friday of the month</p> <p>We can help you with understanding your child's needs, and offer tips and strategies to help at home, signposting to local SEND Support Services and getting the best from your child's education.</p>	<p>Children can come along</p> <p>Explorers</p> <p>4 Week Course</p> <p>Do you think your child may be neurodiverse? (e.g. ADHD, Autism, Dyslexia, etc...). This is a 5 week course to explore and support your child through their journey.</p> <p>Booking Required</p> <p>Starts 19th September</p>	<p>Child Health Clinic & Infant Feeding Support Group</p> <p>A drop in clinic for you to come along, have your baby weighed and speak to a member of the Health Visiting Team. Breastfeeding information, advice and support is also available. Please arrive no later than 15 minutes before the end of the clinic.</p>	<p>Parenting and Behaviour, Information and Advice</p> <p>Every two weeks</p> <p>Please contact your local Family Hub in advance of the session to book a 30 minute slot with one of our team outlining any behaviour support, information or resources you feel you would benefit from.</p> <p>Booking Required</p> <p>Starts 18th September</p>
<p>8+ Years Old</p> <p>Family Space</p> <p>A relaxed informal session for you to get advice and support on your child's additional needs, from the staff on hand. For parents/carers and children (8 years+) to connect, and join in activities together - such as cooking, art and crafts, pool etc...</p> <p>Booking Required</p>	<p>11-25 Years Old</p> <p>Zone Out (SNAAP)</p> <p>A safe caring place for young people with disabilities to make friends, chill and have fun. We also help develop key skills to help them become more independent and confident to make their own decisions as they grow into young adults. This is a SNAAP delivered session, supported by the Family Hub team.</p> <p>Starts 3rd September</p>	<p>Healthy Start Vitamins</p> <p>Are you eligible for Healthy Start Vitamins?</p> <p>If so, complete this form to order Healthy Start Vitamins to your door.</p> <p>www.kent.gov.uk/familyhub</p>	<p>Free for 2</p> <p>Some 2 year olds can get up to 15 hours of free childcare per week!</p> <p>For more information and how to apply:</p>
			<p>Useful Contact Numbers:</p> <p>Health Visitor 0300 7900 156 Midwife 01227 206737</p>

Family Hub Sites are run by Kent County Council



PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 1** of the [menu](#).
- Download a copy of our Term 1 dates [here](#).
- Paper copies of term dates and our new menu are available to collect in the office foyer.
- You can claim your little piece of JLPS History by buying an engraved name plaque [here](#) for a minimum of £5, which will be placed on the stage.
- You can book your Parent Partnership Meetings from 5pm this evening via [Arbor](#).
- We will be collecting for the Food Bank on Thursday 3rd October as part of Harvest Festival.
- Please make sure all absence is reported via the school office on 01227 261430. ClassDojo should not be used to report a child's absence.
- Please note that next Friday's menu will be **Beef Lasagne / Roasted Vegetable Lasagne / Garlic Bread / Mixed Salad with Chocolate Mousse & Mandarins** for pudding.
- Book tickets to our Fireworks Event [here](#).
- Send your child in with appropriate clothing for outdoor OPAL play now that it is getting colder and wetter.

