



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 6th December 2024

UPCOMING CHRISTMAS DATES

Week 6

Monday 9th December
Babies & Toddler Christmas Stay and Play - 9:00am

Tuesday 10th December
Klee Christmas Show - 9:30am

Wednesday 11th December
Kahlo Christmas Show - 9:30am
Year 1 Christmas Show - 2:00pm

Thursday 12th December
Kandinsky Christmas Show - 9:30am
Year 1 Christmas Show - 2:00pm
Key Stage 2 Christingle Service - 5:00-6:30pm
Seasalter Christian Centre

Friday 13th December
Christmas Jumper Day

Week 7

Monday 16th December
Year 2 Christmas Show - 2pm

Tuesday 17th December
Christmas in Pre-School - 9:30am
Year 2 Christmas Show - 2:00pm

Wednesday 18th December
Oysters' Christmas Show - 1:45pm

Thursday 19th December
Christmas Lunch & Class Parties

Last day of term finishing times...

Friday 20th December
Oysters SRP 1:30pm
Main School 2:00pm
Oyster Bay Nursery 3:30pm
After School Club 4:00pm

CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY – FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER

We are taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day next Friday – how exciting!

Children are invited to get their silliest, most festive jumper on (paired with their school uniform) - this could be shop bought, pre-loved or homemade with tinsel and decorations - and donate to Save the Children. By pulling on our Christmassy knits and donating, we will be transforming the future for children around the world.

Every pound we raise will give children in the UK and around the world the chance to grow up healthy and happy and change their future for good. You can donate to our Joy Lane Christmas Jumper Day [Just Giving Page](#) or we will be standing at the gates with our orange buckets to collect any contribution you are able to make.

**CHRISTMAS
JUMPER
Day**



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR SUCCESS!

We earned just over £300 commission from this term's Scholastic Book Fair! Thank you for supporting the school fair, and we look forward to spending the money on new titles for our book areas.

KS2 CHRISTINGLE ARRANGEMENTS

We are now fully booked for the Key Stage 2 Christingle Event. If you are coming, please see the poster below for arrangements and important information.



**KEY STAGE 2
CHRISTINGLE
EVENT**

| Event | Time |
|---|-------------|
| Make your Christingle whilst listening to Christmassy music and enjoying a hot drink and mince pie. | 5:00-5:30pm |
| Singalong to well-known festive hits led by Mrs Rawlings and our Joy Lane musicians to get your voices warmed up. | 5:30-6:00pm |
| Listen to the Nativity story and join in with traditional Christmas carols. The service will close with the lighting of the Christingles. | 6:00-6:30pm |

12 DEC | **5:00-6:30PM**
SEASALTER CHRISTIAN CENTRE
49 Faversham Rd, CT5 4AX

- There is a small car park and parking on surrounding streets.
- Friends of joy will be serving refreshments for a small donation.
- We will be collecting donations for the Seasalter Christian centre.
- If your child is a musician/reader, you will not receive a confirmation email. Please only bring the amount of people stated on your Google Form (up to 2 adults).
- All other families who have been successful in booking a space will have been notified by email. Please only bring the amount of people stated on your Google Form (1 adult).
- During the lighting of the candles, please supervise your child as they stand in the circle.



CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL YOGA SESSIONS



AFTER SCHOOL
Yoga

YOGA WITH ABI FROM ALO FLOW YOGA

What are the benefits?

- Builds confidence**
- Encourages a growth mindset**
- Promotes creativity**
- Opportunities for self expression**
- Builds on strength, flexibility, balance and coordination**
- It is fun!**

What is included?

- Mindful movement**
- Yoga poses**
- Inspirational stories**
- Fun games**
- Breathing exercises**
- Positive affirmations**
- Guided meditations**
- Relaxation**



 [alo_flow_yoga](https://www.instagram.com/alo_flow_yoga)

As always, we try to offer a wealth of additional curriculum clubs. Please let us know if you would be interested in booking Yoga with Abi from 'Alo Flow Yoga' for your child by clicking the [link](#).

If enough interest is registered, we will look to add this to our Term 3 & 4 Clubs List.

LUNCH CHANGES NEXT WEEK

Please note that next week, Tuesday and Thursday's menu options will be swapped:
Tuesday: Sausage Roll, Veggie Chickpea and Feta Roll, Mash, Beans and Sweetcorn, Lemon Drizzle and Custard

Thursday: Beef Kofta, Falafel and Hummus flatbread, Vegetable Couscous, Greek Salad and Green Beans, Fruit yoghurt and Granola

On Wednesday, the dessert option will be Fuit Jelly instead of Fruit Salad.



OPAL PLAY

A huge thank you to our parents and carers who have this week purchased items from our OPAL amazon Wishlist. The children are really enjoying opening the purchases during our OPAL assemblies!

Thank you to –
Lesley H & John G
Helena S

If you would like to contribute and buy something from our amazon Wishlist click [here](#).

HAVEN PROJECT NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Haven Project supports the homeless and vulnerable in the Whitstable area to provide essential items for those living homeless in our area. Find out more about this amazing project and other ways you can support [here](#).

They are collecting the following items, which are especially needed at this cold time of year:

Vests/t-shirts
 Thermal/thick socks
 Blankets
 Sleeping bags
 Thermos flasks

Donations can be taken to St John's Methodist Church Wesley Hall, Argyle Road, or brought to the school office, marked 'For the attention of Haven Project'.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE



Attendance Data week ending 6th December 2024

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| JLPS Whole School attendance | | 94.7% |
| Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance) | | 85 pupils 13.77% |
| Klee – 91.4% | Kahlo – 86.9% | Kandinsky – 86.2% |
| Van Gogh – 93.4% | Voysey – 94.8% | Vallotton – 92.7% |
| Picasso – 94.4% | Postgate – 89.3% | Potter – 93.5% |
| Riley – 94.4% | Rousseau – 94.1% | Ringgold – 95.2% |
| Hockney – 94.5% | Heron – 98% | Hepworth – 95.6% |
| Degas – 97.3% | Dali – 92.6% | Da Vinci – 98.5% |
| Bailey – 92.5% | Banksy – 95.9% | Boyce – 86.7% |
| Oysters – 90.7% | | |



FRIENDS OF JOY LANE

Christmas Jumper Sale Success

This time last week, the Christmas Jumper swap/shop 2024 was taking place. We are pleased to announce that the event was a great success with a fantastic £137 raised! Thank you to you all - whether you were buying or volunteering, your support and generosity is greatly appreciated. We couldn't do it without you! We look forward to sharing how this money will be spent to support the school.

Letters to Santa

Santa's little helpers have been busy preparing letters to those who requested them, and they are on their way via 'elf mail' very soon. Thank you to everyone who made an order, and we look forward to sharing the total raised from this event very soon!

Christmas Performances

Next week marks the start of the Christmas performances! Refreshments will be available at all upcoming Christmas shows & the Christingle Event courtesy of FOJL in exchange for a donation! So don't forget to bring along your loose change to treat yourself to a mince pie, tea or coffee to sit back and enjoy the show with! Cashless donations will be available as usual. We look forward to seeing you!

Christmas shopping = Free donations!

With Christmas round the corner, along with Black Friday, over 8,000 online retailers give away free funding when you shop with them through [EasyFundraising](#). To get started and claim funding for FOJL, download the app, create an account and chose to support Joy Lane Primary School parent, teachers, friends association. Shopping this way means anything you purchase retailers donate to FOJL.

School Lottery

Thank you to all of you that support and participate in the School Lottery - we are on track to raise a wonderful £1435, which is just amazing! Last week's winner has been announced - don't forget to check your email to see if you were the lucky person!

If you are yet to join, the big super draw is upcoming on 21st December, where one lucky winner will scoop £3000! Time to top up your tickets or join to be in with a chance to win!

[Buy your ticket](#) now!

'HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH-UP'

Welcome back to the Newsletter and Week 5, Term 2. Last week's Year 6 cake sale went brilliantly - we're certain that the money we raised was at least £400, which is an amazing amount of money! Thank you to everyone who managed to buy a cake. The reason that we did this was because of a Year 6 theatre trip to watch a Shakespeare show.

Today, we are announcing the winner of the giant teddy bear, so if you have put money in towards this then the winner will be announced soon.

It is two weeks until Christmas, and we are all excited to start the Christmas activities. As always, each class has hung their incredible Christmas hoops from the school hall ceiling, so look out for this.

Thank you for reading our newsletter entry and we hope you will all have a great weekend!



MEET SANTA AT MEADOW GRANGE



Meet Santa
and his festive farm animals

Santa and his festive farm animals will be here on the following dates

30th Nov & 1st December
7th & 8th December
14th & 15th December
21st & 22nd December

Book Online
meadowgrangenursery.co.uk

Enjoy Christmas with

Meadow Grange
NURSERY Ltd

The poster features a festive background with a red and blue color scheme. At the top right, Santa Claus is shown in a red suit, holding a glowing orb. Below him, a young girl in a green patterned dress is looking at a brown donkey behind a wooden fence. The text is in a mix of gold, white, and red fonts.

SPECIAL GUARDIAN SUPPORT GROUP



Margate

Special Guardian Support Group

Coffee Morning

Come along to meet other Carers, share your experiences and help each other with advice, tips and support.

Northdown Road Family Hub
15 Zion Place, Margate
CT9 1RP

Monday 9th December 2024, 10am – 12pm.
(2nd Monday of every month)

For more information, please contact the
KCC Special Guardian Support Team:
SGOSupport@kent.gov.uk




The poster has a light brown, textured background. At the top right is the Kent County Council logo. The text is in purple and black. At the bottom, there is a photograph of several coffee cups with different drinks and latte art.



PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 2** of the menu. Please read the Newsletter for menu changes next week.
- The big **School Lottery super draw** is upcoming on **21st December!** Buy your tickets [here](#).
- Plaques remain available to purchase for a minimum donation of **£5**. Remember to state what you would like written on the plaque in the comment box when you make your donation on **Just Giving**.
- It's **Christmas Jumper Day** next Friday **13th December!** You can donate to our [Just Giving Page](#).
- We are collecting donations for the **Haven Project**. Please see information above.
- Show your interest in booking **Yoga with Abi** from 'Alo Flow Yoga' for your child by clicking the [link](#).

