



# Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## TERM 3 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

# Term 3 Dates

2024-25

*Week 1*  
Tuesday 7th January  
New Reception 2025 Open Morning  
9:00-11:00am

*Week 2*  
Thursday 16th January  
Friends of Joy Lane Winter Discos  
1-2pm Reception  
2-3pm Year 1  
3-4pm Year 2  
4-5pm Year 3  
Thursday 16th January  
Census Day (Special Menu)  
Friday 17th January  
Children's Hospital Pyjamas Appeal

*Week 3*  
W/C 20th January  
Extended Learning Clubs Commence  
W/C 20th January  
KIC Theatre Drama Workshops

*Week 4*  
Thursday 30th January  
Friends of Joy Lane Winter Discos  
2-2:30pm Oysters  
2:30-3pm - Nursery  
3-4pm Year 4  
4-5pm Year 5  
5-6pm Year 6

*Week 5*  
W/C 3rd February  
National Storytelling Week  
Place 2Be Children's Mental Health Week  
Monday 3rd February  
Young Voices @ London O2  
Wednesday 5th February 3:30-7:00pm  
EY/KS1 Virtual Parent Partnership Meeting  
KS2 Face-to-Face Parent Partnership Meeting  
Thursday 6th February 3:30-7:00pm  
KS2 Virtual Parent Partnership Meeting  
EY/KS1 Face-to-Face Parent Partnership Meeting  
Friday 7th February  
Dress to Express Day

*Week 6*  
Tuesday 11th February  
Safer Internet Day  
Year 6 Trip to 'Shakespeare on Screen'  
(London)

Welcome Back to Term 4  
Monday 24th February



# JANUARY WINTER FOJL DISCOS – THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

Yesterday saw the first set of discos take place - what an amazing time was had! Tickets remain on sale for the next set happening on Thursday 30th January. Tickets sales close on Sunday 28th Jan 11pm.

Times and dates for the remaining year groups are:

Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January
Oysters 2:00 – 2:30pm
Nursery 2:30 – 3:00pm
Year 4 3:00 – 4:00pm
Year 5 4:00 – 5:00pm
Year 6 5:00 – 6:00pm



Tickets are available via [www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofjoylane](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofjoylane) and will cost £2 per person for Nursery and Oysters and £3 for the rest of the year groups.

If you are struggling to find funds and would still like to attend, please use our 'Pay It Forward' scheme by emailing [office@joylane.kent.sch.uk](mailto:office@joylane.kent.sch.uk).

## SCHOOL LOTTERY

**New Year = New School Lottery Super Draw!**

This January, one lucky supporter will win a huge £1,000 Aldi gift card - or a £1,000 cash alternative.

Make sure you [sign up](#) to take part or top up your tickets - the more tickets you have, the more chances to **WIN!**

## ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Attendance data week ending 17<sup>th</sup> January 2025



JLPS Whole School attendance	94.7%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	90 pupils 14.53%

Klee – 88.3%	Kahlo – 98.7%	Kandinsky – 91%
Van Gogh – 95.9%	Voysey – 94.2%	Vallotton – 91%
Picasso – 93.8%	Postgate – 93.2%	Potter – 100%
Riley – 92.3%	Rousseau – 97.2%	Ringgold – 94.5%
Hockney – 89.3%	Heron – 86%	Hepworth – 91.1%
Degas – 97.3%	Dali – 99.1%	Da Vinci – 98.3%
Bailey – 94.2%	Banksy – 90%	Boyce – 94.7%
Oysters – 92%		



## KIC THEATRE – MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> - FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY

We are delighted to welcome KIC Theatre back for the children's educational drama workshops. During the workshops the children bring their classroom learning to life through theatre and their understanding of the topic is enhanced in an interactive and engaging way.

Each class will have their own individual workshop, with all pupils taking part during the week commencing Monday 20th January 2025.

MONDAY	Year 6	Macbeth
	Degas & DaVinci	Harry Potter
TUESDAY	Year 1	Neil Armstrong & Space
	Dali	Harry Potter
WEDNESDAY	Year 3	Romans
	Oysters - Wyburn	Winter & Hibernation
	Oysters – Warhol & Wiltshire	Based around 'Wildwood' & hibernating animals
THURSDAY	Year 2	Queen Elizabeth II
	Kandinsky & Klee	Winter & Hibernation
FRIDAY	Year 4	Mayans
	Kahlo	Winter & Hibernation

Please pay your contribution of £2 per pupil through Arbor (via 'Trips'); we are only able to offer these opportunities if we can cover our costs. Thank you for your continued support.

## HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH-UP

Welcome to this week's newsletter. Today has been a very exciting day as the children have been able to wear their own pyjamas in aid of the Children's Hospital Pyjamas Appeal. It's so exciting, but if you really did not want to wear your own pyjamas then the children could have come in wearing comfy clothes. This week, EY/KSI and Year 3 had their Winter Disco which was so much fun, and all the children were dancing the night away. On 30th January, Oysters and Years 4, 5 and 6 are having their Winter Disco, and don't worry, you can still buy tickets if you haven't yet! We really do hope that your children enjoyed the Winter Disco if they attended this week.

This week, Mrs Harkins has held a raffle for a chance to win a teddy, a set of books and a hot chocolate bomb. The draw will take place in Monday's Celebration Assembly. Good luck to all who entered!

Year 6 are enjoying their current English unit (Macbeth) and the most exciting thing about it is that we are going on a trip to London to learn about Shakespeare and Shakespearian times.

In PE this term, lots of year groups have been doing gymnastics and using the frame in the hall as well as balancing, high ropes and leapfrog. The children have all enjoyed doing the various activities and showing their incredible gymnastic skills.





## LOOKING FOR CAUSE AND EFFECT TOYS

If you are having a new year declutter, please can we ask that you see if you have any 'cause and effect' toys (examples pictured below). Please drop any donations into the school office. Thank you!



## IMPORTANT: ENTERING THE SCHOOL SITE BY CAR

For safeguarding purposes, please can any car entering the school site press the call button for access to the school site, even if the gate is already open. Each car must call individually and must not tailgate into the school site. This does not apply when the gates are left open for After School Club.

## EXTENDED LEARNING CLUBS START NEXT WEEK

A reminder that Extended Learning Clubs begin on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Please see more information about collection points [here](#).

## COMMUNITY CLOTHES BANK - FAMILY CLOTHING SWAP



# NELFT ONLINE WORKSHOPS

We are pleased to be able to share with you the workshops being offered by the Emotional Well-Being Team for Terms 3 and 4. Please note the dates of interest and keep an eye on ClassDojo for further information regarding each workshop.



Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams  
Medway Emotional Support Teams

## Online Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

# Workshops

**Understanding Your Child's Behaviour 22/1/2025 10:30 – 12:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 336 234 531 867 Passcode: P7df6fg9

**Understanding ADHD 4/2/2025 – 5:30 – 7:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 357 257 416 30 Passcode: ad9Xi6Pz

**Introduction to Autism 28/02/2025 12:30 – 2:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 342 957 959 572 Passcode: UR22px2W

**Understanding Anxiety 10/03/2025 5:30 – 7:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 375 848 985 296 Passcode: 2v3dM2xX

**Sleep & Autism 27/03/2025 5:30 – 7:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 380 423 848 345 Passcode: cq2qv9U5

**Me & My Child: Understanding Resilience 9/4/2025 10:30 – 12:30pm**

[Join the meeting now](#) Meeting ID: 320 369 568 303 Passcode: Qz9WN7Ru

*\*Workshop times alternate from term to term*

Our online workshops offer information around key topics to help understand what is going on for your child and strategies to support them, based on the latest evidence and practice.

If you would like to join, please use the links above. If you have any questions, please speak to your child's school.

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You do not need an account to join. You will need access to the internet. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending a EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools. If you require materials in another language or have any other access needs then please email:

[EWTanESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk](mailto:EWTanESTenquiries@nelft.nhs.uk)

We look forward to meeting you!



## PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week will be **Week 3** of the [menu](#). Please note that **Tuesday and Thursday's** menu choices will be swapped next week.
- **If you are having a clear out of children's plastic toys, we are looking for 'cause and effect' toys.**
- Please click [here](#) to be directed to your child's Curriculum Web.
- **Buy your tickets for the Winter Discos [here](#).**
- **KIC Theatre workshops commence on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January. £2 towards the session can be paid via Arbor.**
- **There is still time to donate to our Children's Hospital Pyjama appeal [Just Giving Page](#) or buy a pair of PJs from our [Amazon Wishlist](#)**
- **Download your own copy of Term 3's dates [here](#).**
- **Extended Learning Clubs commence next week.**

