



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 25th April 2025

TERM 6 EVENT DATES



2025

Term 6 Events

Week 1

Monday 9th June
First day of Term 6

W/C Monday 9th June
Y1 Phonics Screening & Y2 Retakes

Thursday 12th June
Year 6 KIC Theatre Workshop

Friday 13th June
French School Visit (Year 5)
Week 3 of the Menu

Week 2

W/C Monday 16th June
Sports & Outdoor Learning Week

Monday 16th June
Y3 Sports Day - 9:00-10:00am
Y4 Sports Day - 10:15-11:15am
Y5 Sports Day 11:30-12:30pm
Y6 Sports Day - 2:00-3:00pm

Wednesday 18th June
Reception Sports Day - 9:00-10:00am
Y1/2 Sports Day - 10:30-12:00pm

Thursday 19th June
Nursery Sports Day - 9:00-10:00am
Oysters Sports Day - 1:30-2:30pm
Week 4 of the Menu

Week 3

Thursday 26th June
Reading Festival - 3:30-6:00pm
Week 1 of the Menu

Week 4

Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th July
Year 6 Transition to Year 7
(check separate schools for dates)

Thursday 3rd July - 9am & 5:30pm
Transition to Year 1 Parent/Carer Session
Week 2 of the Menu

Week 5

Tuesday 8th July
Pre-School Graduation - 10-11am

Wednesday 9th July
Pre-School Graduation - 10-11am
Year 2 Show - 2-3pm

Thursday 10th July
Year 2 Show - 2-3pm

Thursday 10th & Friday 11th July
Year R Vision Screening
Week 3 of the Menu

Week 6

Monday 14th July
Transition to Year 3 Parent/Carer Session -
9am & 5:30pm
Year 6 Show - 2-3pm

Tuesday 15th July
Year 6 Show - 2-3pm

Wednesday 16th July - 2-4pm
Reports and Sharing Learning Afternoon

Friday 18th - Tuesday 22nd July
Transition to New Classes
Week 4 of the Menu

Week 7

Monday 21st July
Year 6 Graduation - Seasalter Christian
Centre - 9:00-11:00am

Tuesday 22nd July - Last day of term
Oysters SRP 1:30pm
Main School 2:00pm
Oyster Bay Nursery 3:30pm
After School Club 4:00pm
Week 1 of the Menu

Please see the separate flier for
information about our new
Reception starter events.



TERM 5 EVENT DATES

Please note that the FojL Colour Run has been postponed. Click the poster to download.

Term 5 Dates
2024-2025

Week 1
Monday 21st April
Bank Holiday (School closed)
Tuesday 22nd April
First day of Term 5
Wednesday 23rd April
Year 1 Phonics Screening Parent Workshop
Week 2 of the Menu

Week 2
Monday 28th April - Thursday 1st May
Scholastic Book Fair
W/C Monday 28th April
Joy Lane Marathon Fundraiser
Week 3 of the Menu

Week 3
Monday 5th May
Bank Holiday (School closed)
Tuesday 6th May
Extended Learning Clubs start
Thursday 8th May
VE Day Street Party
Week 4 of the Menu

Week 4
Monday 12th - Thursday 15th May
KS2 Standard Assessment Tests (SATs)
Year 6
Thursday 15th May
Census Day - Special Menu
Week 1 of the Menu

Week 5
Sunday 18th - Wednesday 21st May
Year 6 Residential Trip
Friday 23rd May
Whole School Art Day
Friday 23rd May
Last Day of Term (usual finishing times)
Week 2 of the Menu

IMPORTANT HEALTH NOTICE

We are writing to ask for your cooperation in an important matter concerning the health of one of our pupils at the school, who is currently receiving medical treatment. The treatment means that their immune system is low, which puts their health at risk if they are exposed to measles, chicken pox or shingles.

Please let us know immediately if your child is suspected of having measles or chicken pox. This is so that we can inform the pupil's family straightaway in order for the child to receive medication quickly.

It is also important that you let us know if someone in your household has shingles. Shingles is the same virus as chicken pox but only affects older adults. However, you can still catch chickenpox from someone with shingles, so it may be possible for your child to be infectious without realising while at school.

There is no risk at all for your own child in this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of our pupil undergoing treatment is at risk, so I hope you can help us with your kind cooperation and commitment in making sure that we are told as soon as possible.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS HERE NEXT WEEK!



The Scholastic Book Fair is here from Monday 28th April until Thursday 1st May, with hundreds of new children's books to browse and buy.

Look out for the bookcases, which will be based in EY/KS1 and Lower KS2 and Upper KS2. There will be opportunities for the children to visit the cases during the day, but you are welcome to browse and buy with your child at the end of the day between 3:20pm and 3:35pm. You can pay by cash or card.

Every book you buy earns free books for the school! We hope to see you there!

VE DAY STREET PARTY



We are looking forward to our VE Day street party on Thursday 8th May. On this day, we will be providing a traditional party packed lunch, including the following:

- Juice Box
- Ham or Cheese sandwich (or dietary requirement substitute)
- Crisps
- Raisins
- VE day biscuit (Dairy free - GF option available)

Please complete this [Google Form](#) if you would like your child to have a school packed lunch on this day.



JOY LANE MARATHON – NEXT WEEK!

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Can each class run a joint marathon?

26.2 miles!

Run for a Cause
Collect donations to help support Young Lives vs Cancer and our Joy Lane swimming pool.

Please donate via Arbor or cash to the school office.

YOUNG LIVES vs CANCER

28TH APRIL - 2ND MAY

Next week, our school will be hosting our first "Joy Lane Marathon" to raise funds for 'Young Lives vs Cancer' and the Joy Lane Swimming Pool. We are encouraging our children to gather donations for these worthy causes, and you will have already received fundraising sheets. Each class will complete a distance of approximately one kilometre, allowing us to collectively achieve our school fundraising goal. This event will be within children's PE slots, and teachers will update via ClassDojo once this has been completed with pictures. Children are welcome to walk, jog, or run around the field, with every contribution going directly to support these important causes. (Please note that we are only accepting cash donations.)

We are excited not only to raise money for these great initiatives but also to come together as a school community in support of healthy habits and living. Thank you.

SPORTS UPDATE

Joy Lane won the netball match 9-5 against Ethelbert Road Primary School yesterday!



ATTENDANCE UPDATE



Attendance data week ending 25th April 2025

JLPS Whole School attendance	94.5%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	84 pupils 13.63%

Klee – 98.7%	Kahlo – 98.4%	Kandinsky – 98.2%
Van Gogh – 100%	Voysey – 96.2%	Vallotton – 92.9%
Picasso – 99%	Postgate – 92.6%	Potter – 95.4%
Riley – 97.5%	Rousseau – 96.6%	Ringgold – 90.5%
Hockney – 95.5%	Heron – 97.1%	Hepworth – 93.9%
Degas – 96.7%	Dali – 95.4%	Da Vinci – 93.3%
Bailey – 94%	Banksy – 100%	Boyce – 92.4%
Oysters – 100%		

MAY DAY AT WHITSTABLE CASTLE

May Day 2025 is on Monday 5th May. Every year on May Bank Holiday, Whitstable and Herne Bay Lions Club hold a Fun Day at Whitstable Castle, attended by large crowds. Expect morris dancing, music, Punch and Judy, 40 different stalls run by charities and local traders, coconut shy, bouncy castle, candy floss and other attractions. Entrance is free but we welcome any donations to help the good causes that we support.

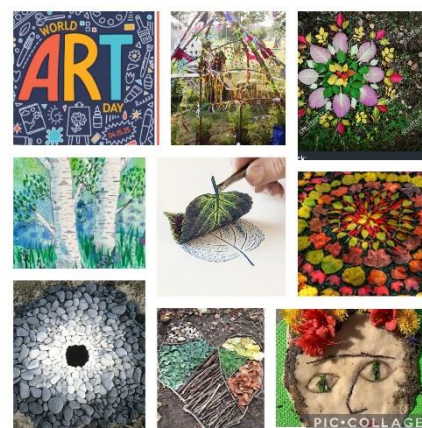
Joy Lane have been victorious again in the May Day poster competition, so look out for the winning design on the front of the leaflet, as well as posters in the Lions' tent.

ART HOME CHALLENGE

There is still time to take part in the Art home challenge! Using inspiration from nature can you create a masterpiece? You can use whatever tools and materials you like, and it doesn't have to be a drawing or painting - you could make a sculpture, a print or even capture an inspiring photo!

Please send any pictures of artwork to your child's teacher by Monday 28th April. Feel free to also bring in the real thing too!

There is an art goody basket up for grabs in both areas of our school. Winners will be announced in a special 'Outdoor Art' assembly on 30th April.



HOUSE CAPTAIN CATCH UP

Welcome to this week's newsletter. We hope you all enjoyed the Easter break. This week was very exciting for all of us, and especially Mr. Ashley-Jones because it was his birthday, and even more, it was his 60th birthday – yes, 60!!!

On Wednesday morning, we all went into the assembly to celebrate Mr. Ashley-Jones' birthday, and we all danced and had so much fun. Later in the day, Mr. Ashley-Jones came round and gave us each a piece of birthday cake.

On Tuesday afternoon, the Year 6 leavers' hoodies finally arrived - we were all so excited to try them on and see them for the first time (but we can't wear them until the last week of Term 6!).

Thank you for reading this week's newsletter!

TERM 5 CURRICULUM WEBS

We are excited to share our learning with you for Term 5 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.

WHITSTABLE UNPLUGGED



WHITSTABLE
Unplugged
YOUR MONTHLY DIGITAL DETOX...

27 APRIL

THE BALLROOM,
MARINE HOTEL

1.30- FAMILY MINDFULNESS & MOVEMENT

2.30- LIVING ALONGSIDE SOCIAL MEDIA

3.30- GENERATION FOMO: A PLAY ABOUT YOUNG PEOPLE & SMARTPHONES + Q&A SESSION

4.30- CLOSE

 Join us and power off

BOOK VIA OUR EVENTBRITE PAGE

Book [here](#).



FRIENDS OF JOY LANE TERMLY MEETING



PARENT & CARER CHECKLIST

- Next week is **Week 3** of the [menu](#).
- Can you buy something from our [OPAL Wishlist](#)?
- **Donate any pre-loved, good-quality teddies to the school office.**
- The **World Art Day** challenge deadline is **Monday 28th April**.
- **Download Term 6 event dates [here](#).**
- You are welcome to join the Friends of Joy Lane for their next meeting on **Wednesday 30th April at 7pm at The Rose in Bloom pub.**
- **Can your child collect any sponsors for the Joy Lane Marathon next week? You can download a sponsorship form [here](#).**
- The **Scholastic Book Fair** is here next week. **Visit the bookcases around the school Monday – Thursday.**
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