



Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 25th November 2022

JLPS GIFTING TREE – BOOK BUNDLES

This Christmas, we want to share our love of reading with the community and provide pre-loved book bundles to those who, for whatever reason, do not have many books at home.

If you have a pre-loved children's book at home that is in very good condition and you would like to donate it to become part of a 'book bundle', this would be greatly appreciated. This can be any type of book: *picture books, chapter books, non-fiction/information texts (like the Guinness Book of World Records), graphic novels...*

Books will then be organised and wrapped into carefully chosen bundles for families in our JLPS community.



We will be collecting book donations until Friday 9th December; please pop your book into the yellow boxes dotted around the school grounds. When the Christmas trees arrive, they can be placed underneath in the boxes.

- Use our [Self-referral Form](#) if you would like to put yourself forward for a book bundle for the child/children in your family.
- Our [Nomination Form](#) allows you to put forward a family that you think would benefit from an injection of lovely books in their home as a Christmas treat.

All self-referrals and nominations will be treated confidentially, and book bundles can be collected at a time suitable to you.

We are on a mission to get books into the hands of all our children, and we hope that you can help us to make this happen – whether this is through a donation or a self-referral/nomination.

FITNESS EXCHANGE – PARENT/CHILD FITNESS FUN



FITNESS. EXERCISE. LIFESTYLE CHANGE

Thank you to those that have already booked for the Fitness Fun sessions; we still have a few spaces available for those that want to keep fit whilst having fun with their child!
Join the fun and book via Arbor today!



CHRISTMAS LUNCH – ORDER NOW!

We will be enjoying our Christmas Dinner, complete with crackers and table settings, on Thursday 15th December 2022!

Please complete this form with your child's choice of main and dessert – *please also do this if your child receives Free School Meals or Universal Free School Meals as this will help us cater for correct numbers.* (You do not need to make payment.)

Meals cost £2.30 and are payable via Arbor. Deadline for orders is Friday 2nd December 2022. Click [here](#) to order.



Christmas Dinner
Menu
Thursday 15th December 2022

Roast Turkey with all the Trimmings
or
Butternut Squash Wellington (V)

Roast Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Gravy

Christmas Biscuit (DF/V)
or
Homemade Christmas Pudding (DF/V)
with/without Cream
or
Chocolate Arctic Roll

All dietary requirements will be catered for

KS2 CHRISTINGLE SERVICE – MONDAY 12TH DECEMBER

On Monday 12th December 2022, families of children in Key Stage 2 are invited to a festive Carols and Christingle service led by Joy Lane and the Seasalter Christian Centre.

5:00pm – 5:30pm – Join us in the Upper School Hall to make your Christingle whilst listening to Christmassy music and enjoying a hot drink.

5:30pm – 6:00pm – Singalong to well-known festive hits led by Mrs Rawlings, Miss Daly and our Joy Lane musicians to get your voices warmed up.

6:00pm – 6:30pm – Listen to the nativity story and join in with traditional Christmas carols. The service will close with the lighting of the Christingles.

We do hope you will be able to join us for the special service. Please complete this [form](#) to indicate your attendance.



ATTENDANCE UPDATE



Attendance data week ending 25th November 2022

JLPS Whole School attendance	93.1%
Number of Persistent Absentees (less than 90% attendance)	133 pupils 21.69%

Klee – 89.0%	Kline – 94.5%	Kandinsky – 92.4%
Van Gogh – 94.0%	Voysey – 92.6%	Vallotton – 93.7%
Picasso – 92.9%	Postgate – 92.8%	Potter – 90.5%
Riley – 94.3%	Rousseau – 96.0%	Renoir – 93.1%
Hockney – 95.0%	Heron – 89.5%	Hepworth – 93.5 %
Degas – 93.5%	Dali – 96.0%	Da Vinci – 93.2%
Bailey – 91.7%	Banksy – 95.1%	Barnard – 95.9%
Oysters – 90.1%	School Average - 94.0%	School Target - 98.5%

WHITSTPARKLE – THIS SATURDAY!

Whitstable's Christmas lantern lit parade will commence from Whitstable harbour with some fantastic live performances (on the stage from 2pm), visit from Father Christmas, and an opportunity to drink mulled wine and do some Christmas shopping. Bring your lantern - make them as big and creative as possible - and join this freely accessible community Christmas event.

The Lantern-Lit Parade is always such a lovely event in Whitstable and completely free for all families to join in the parade or just watch. The road will be closed through the High Street so all welcome to join. (Local residents please take note that there they may be more cars parking in and around the High Street than normal.)

WHITSPARKLE

WHITSTABLE'S CHRISTMAS EVENT 2022

LANTERN-LIT PARADE

SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER

PERFORMANCES IN MAKE YOUR OWN THE HARBOUR PAPER LANTERNS! STARTING FROM 2PM CHRISTMAS TREE LANTERN PARADE LIGHT SWITCH ON! STARTS 5PM MULLED WINE



WHITSTABLE COMMUNITY CHURCH AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

“We’re really aware, as the evenings draw in and the weather gets colder, that there aren’t a lot of places in Whitstable for families to go after school. So, every Wednesday we’re opening up Harbour Church in town for what we’re calling an After School’s Club – basically a warm, safe space for families to come and chill out, have a hot drink / snack and play some games / puzzles, etc. or even do some homework. Our hope is that it will also promote family engagement together, rather than just going home and sitting in front of the TV or computer and save people some money in heating!”

Geoff, Whitstable Community Church



**After
SCHOOL
Club**

Offering a **warm space** to come with your family after school.

There are plenty of **games, puzzles, books and craft** to keep you and your kids entertained, as well as space to do **homework**.

Free refreshments also on offer!

So why not **drop in** on your way home from school? We'd love to welcome you!

**EVERY WEDNESDAY (TERM TIME)
15:30-17:00
HARBOUR CHURCH**

 Whitstable Community Church

The graphic features various icons: a branch with berries, a coffee cup, a homework notebook, cookies, puzzle pieces, a calendar, and a globe.

PARENT / CARER CHECKLIST

- Refer yourself for a **Book Bundle** [here](#) or nominate a family [here](#).
- **Donate a book to our JLPS Gifting Tree 'Book Bundle' project.**
- **Book** a space at the **KS2 Christingle Service on Monday 12th December.**
- **Next week is Week 4 of the [menu](#).**
- **Order your Christmas Lunch [here](#).**
- **Christmas Jumper Day is on Friday 9th December.**
- **Extended Learning Clubs finish on Thursday 1st December.**

