

Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

19th October 2018

LOOKING FORWARD

TERM 2

- **❖** Term 1 finishes on Friday 19th October 2018. The children will finish at the usual time.
- **❖** Monday 29th October 2018 is a staff professional training day and the School will be closed to pupils.
- **❖** We look forward to welcoming the children back on Tuesday 30th October 2018.

SCARECROW FESTIVAL & TRAIL





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@ WHITSTABLE CASTLE

MON 22ND - SAT 27TH OCTOBER 11-4PM

Come and follow the Scarecrow Trail this half term in our beautiful gardens - pick up your trail sheet from the Orangery Tearooms — £1 per child. Enter the scarecrow colouring competition to win a prize! Don't forget to visit our fabulous Pirate Adventure Playground and treat yourselves to a delicious lunch in the tearooms!?

Whitstable Castle & Gardens, Tower Hill, Whitstable, CT5 2BW 01227 281726 www.whitstablecastle.co.uk



CANTERBURY ROAD CROSSING

With immediate effect, the Canterbury Road crossing will no longer be manned. As this is a pelican crossing where pedestrians control the traffic lights, Kent County Council are no longer able to fund a School Crossing Patrol Officer.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

After the half term break, there will be poppies on sale during breaktimes and lunchtimes supporting The Royal British Legion Appeal. We have also been given a limited stock of:

•	Erasers	50p
•	Reflectors	50p
•	Pencil Sharpeners	50p
•	Pencils	50p
•	Rulers	£1



PROMOTION OF HEALTHY CHOICES

Children in Years R, 1 & 2 receive a piece of fruit or vegetable every day as part of the Government's Schools Fruit and Vegetable Scheme. In Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 we very much encourage the children to make healthy choices, especially at break time, when they have more freedom in what snack they can bring to school. We hope that parents and carers will therefore work alongside the School in its promotion of healthy eating from the time they start Nursery or Reception at Joy Lane.

To reinforce this, we ask that children <u>do not</u> bring chocolate bars, sweets or crisps to School as a break-time snack and that you encourage fruit, vegetables, dried fruits and cereal bars as alternatives.

Cereal bars <u>MUST NOT</u> contain nuts as we have a number of children in School with allergies which could be life-threatening if they come into contact with nuts.

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION

All Year Groups

Book Swap - One week old already and proving to be very popular! If you're inspired to have a good clear out of your children's books over the break, we would welcome any donations for our Book Swap. Just mark donations for the attention of Mrs Harkins or Dr Manson. Thank you.



<u>Years 3 - 6</u> KS2 Snack Shack...Coming soon to a playground near you! Watch this space for more information.



Year 5 Educational Visit – Thursday 1st November

On Thursday 1st November, the Year 5 children are walking into Whitstable to visit St Alphege Church. In RE lessons they have been answering the question: 'Which places are special to us and why?' They have then used these ideas to understand the significance of places of worship. The children will be learning about the features of a church, and St Alphege's history in particular, and comparing a Christian church to other places of worship. They do not need to bring anything with them and the visit will not affect their lunchtime. The children should wear comfortable footwear and a coat / raincoat.

PAYMENTS

Please settle all accounts before the end of this term. It is the School's policy that monies for Extended Services, lunches, swimming etc must be paid in advance.

CLASS SHARING ASSEMBLIES

Parents and Carers are warmly invited to come along and enjoy the children's performances in their class sharing assemblies in our Upper School Hall at 2.40pm.

TERM 2

Riley Class Friday 2nd November 2018
Rousseau Class Friday 9th November 2018
Renoir Class Friday 16th November 2018

EXTENDED LEARNING CLUBS

With our new programme of Extended Learning Clubs underway, it is imperative that if your child is unable to attend for any reason, the School office is contacted for the necessary amendment to be made to the club register.

To alleviate congestion on Thursdays, after the clubs have finished, the children who attend Dance Club should be collected from outside the main school office.

RECENT CORRESPONDENCE

Year 6 Residential Trip to the Isle of Wight Inspection of Joy Lane Primary School by Ofsted School Inspections – A guide for parents

LOOKING BACK

ATTENDANCE FROM 08/10/18 - 12/10/18

Excellent Primary School Attendance means Better Progress & Attainment

Kandinsky – 96.8%	Klee – 91%	Kline – 95.5%
Vallotton – 99.3%	Van Gogh – 95.8%	Voysey – 97.5%
Picasso – 96.6%	Postgate – 93.2%	Potter - 88.9%
Renoir – 96.3%	Riley – 93%	Rousseau – 96.1%
Hepworth – 98.1%	Heron – 93.6%	Hockney – 97.6%
Dali – 93.7%	Da Vinci – 97.7%	Degas – 94.8%
Bailey – 98.4%	Banksy – 93.1%	Oysters – 82.2%

HOUSE POINTS FROM 08/10/18 - 12/10/18

Endeavour	Victory	Mayflower	Discovery
140	145	105	132

SHARING LEARNING AFTERNOON

It was lovely to see so many parents & carers supporting their children and the School at our recent Sharing Learning Afternoon. We know how much the children enjoy showing off their work and learning environment! 106 attended in our Early Years, Oysters and Key Stage 1 with 136 visiting Key Stage 2.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Canterbury Food Bank is a vital community service that provides emergency food parcels to individuals and families in short term financial crisis across our local district. We have been inundated with your generous donations which will shortly be delivered to the Canterbury Food Bank by members of the Seasalter Christian Centre.

We would like to say a huge thank you to our parent community on behalf of the Food Bank.



FUN MORNING

Successful Joy Lane Primary School 'Fun Morning' for Prospective New Year R Parents



Over 35 new families visited the Early Years classrooms and Lower School Hall on Saturday morning where they were entertained by the Joy Lane Musicians ably led by Mrs Rawlings. Activities on offer for the new children included face painting, mini sports, seed planting, making clay hedgehogs and the sampling of delicious cakes made by Joy Lane's new Catering Manager Jo Meredith.

A huge thank you to the staff who made it all possible and the children for giving up their Saturday Morning to show off their school. Thank you also to Laura Millum, (Assistant Headteacher) for organising such a successful event.

