



# Joy Lane Primary School Weekly Newsletter

4<sup>th</sup> January 2019



## JOY LANE – NUMBER 1 FOR PROGRESS IN WHITSTABLE!

It was fantastic for Joy Lane to feature so highly in the Key Stage 2 Progress league table (published in the Kentish Gazette on 20<sup>th</sup> December). In fact, you will see that we are the highest performing school in Whitstable and 38<sup>th</sup> in Kent! Schools are ranked based on their average progress scores in Reading, Writing and Maths for 2018. (Source: Department for Education)

DISTRICT RANK (39)	KENT RANK (420)	PRIMARY SCHOOL	AREA	Average progress scores at KS2			2018	CHANGE 2017
				READING	WRITING	MATHS		
1	4	Preston	Canterbury	5.3	4.2	5	82%	14%
2	24	Herne Juniors	Herne Bay	3.5	1.9	3.8	93%	8%
3	30	Hampton	Herne Bay	3.1	2.2	3.4	85%	12%
4	38	Joy Lane	Whitstable	2.2	1.9	3.9	79%	9%
5	43	St Joseph's	Canterbury	1.7	1.8	4	83%	4%
6	52	Reculver	Herne Bay	3.1	1.1	2.9	86%	25%
7	64	Petham	Canterbury	2.1	2.1	1.7	69%	7%
8	84	Herne Bay Juniors	Herne Bay	2.8	1.5	0.8	74%	-12%
9	91	Sturry	Canterbury	0.9	0.5	3.4	90%	49%
10	93	Wincheap	Canterbury	2.6	0.3	1.8	74%	-4%
11	103	Swalediffe	Whitstable	2	1.3	0.8	84%	12%
12	105	Wickhambreaux	Canterbury	1.2	3.6	-0.9	63%	-10%
13	130	Whitstable & Seasalter	Whitstable	2.3	0	0.7	94%	6%
14	132	Barham	Canterbury	1.7	0.7	0.5	78%	7%
15	139	Whitstable Juniors	Whitstable	0.4	2.2	0.1	77%	-1%

For more detail about school performance, please visit:

<https://www.compare-school-performance.service.gov.uk/school/135130/joy-lane-primary-school>

## ART DAY – TUESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> JANUARY



On Tuesday, pupils will be creating artwork for the CACOT exhibition at the Horsebridge Arts Centre between 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019. The theme for the exhibition is 'BLUE PLANET' and more details about this exhibition will be available soon. We are hoping to create a large sea creature from plastic waste items such as bottle tops, cracker toys, old MacDonald toys, as well as thin plastic (bags, packaging) for weaving a seascape. Please

save these items over the weekend and bring them into class ready for an exciting, environmentally-friendly art day on Tuesday.

## PARENT PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS

Parent Partnership Meetings will take place during the week beginning Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January. Further information regarding the booking process will be sent out on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January.

## EDUCATION THEATRE WORKSHOPS – 21<sup>st</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> JANUARY

We are very fortunate to be able to offer our pupils the opportunity to take part in educational drama workshops related to topics they are covering in the classroom. During the workshops, the children bring their subject to life through theatre, and their understanding of the subject is enhanced in a very enjoyable way.

The topics are as follows:

Nursery	Mini Beasts
Reception	Winter
Year 1	Explorers
Year 2	London & The Queen
Year 3	Romans
Year 4	Shackleton & Antarctica
Year 5	Victorians
Year 6	World War II



These workshops are provided by the KIC Theatre Company and have always proven to be a valuable learning experience. All pupils will take part in a workshop during the week commencing 21<sup>st</sup> January.

We ask for a voluntary contribution of **£2 per pupil** (cash only please) and would remind Parents and Carers that we are only able to offer these opportunities if we can cover our costs. I would, therefore, be grateful if you could send this into School in a named envelope stating your child's name, class and marked 'KIC Theatre' by Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

## BRILLIANT BRITAIN ROYAL BALL - PICASSO, POSTGATE, POTTER CLASSES

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019, we are hosting a Royal Ball to kick-start our Term 3 Learning Theme, Brilliant Britain.

To dress for the occasion, our young ladies are invited to wear a posh party gown and our young gentlemen may wear smart attire e.g. a suit or similar. As part of the event the children will be attending a Royal Banquet and taking part in a Royal Dance – a new experience for all!

We very much look forward to a regal start to 2019.

Any questions, please speak to a member of the Year 2 team.



## ATTENDANCE – EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

If you arrive late to school every day, your learning begins to suffer. Below shows how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time:



## ATTENDANCE FROM 10/12/18 – 14/12/18

*Excellent Primary School Attendance means Better Progress & Attainment*

Kandinsky – 95.0%	Klee – 96.4%	Kline – 90.9%
Vallotton – 94.8%	Van Gogh – 92.3%	Voysey – 94.6%
Picasso – 98.3%	Postgate – 93.6%	Potter – 98.6%
Renoir – 93.0%	Riley – 97.4%	Rousseau – 96.1%
Hepworth – 95.2%	Heron – 98.0%	Hockney – 98.5%
Dali – 95.4%	Da Vinci – 97.3%	Degas – 95.5%
Bailey – 95.7%	Banksy – 100%	Oysters – 86.7%

*Congratulations to EYFS/KS1 winner Potter (98.6%) and KS2 winner Banksy (100%)!*

## EXTENDED LEARNING CLUBS

A letter detailing the new programme of Extended Learning Clubs on offer to the children for Terms 3 & 4 will be sent out at the beginning of Term 3. These will commence on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 once the Parent Partnership meetings have concluded. We endeavour to provide a wide range of clubs for the children and are very appreciative of our staff giving up their valuable time in providing these extra-curricular activities.

## 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.

Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Dali Class
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Da Vinci Class
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2019	Degas Class
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February 2019	Bailey Class
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	Banksy Class

## RECENT LETTERS

Whole School - Attendance Update  
Year 5 - Grosvenor Hall Information Pack