



Jessie Younghusband School



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Friday 21st July 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

I cannot believe where the time has gone this year, it certainly has been a busy one with so much to celebrate. I hope you enjoyed reading the team's Jessie Journal written by the Year 6 reporting team, which summed up just a few of the wonderful things the children have been experiencing and learning. I would like to thank you all for your support over the past year as always this has demonstrated the fantastic community ethos here at JYS and adds so much to what we do. The biggest stars are of course the children – I am so proud of everything they have each achieved this year. I would like to wish all of our Year 6 children happiness and success as they move on to their secondary schools. This is a big change which they are more than ready for. I hope you all have a safe and restful summer break and we look forward to seeing you all on 5th September.

'Happy Holidays' everyone! Mrs Sadler

Summer Fair

Thank you to everyone who came to the summer fair and supported it in one way or another. Mrs Turner and her team of volunteers did a fantastic job and we were so lucky with the weather. It was great to see so many of you on the day. We raised just over £3,700 which is fantastic! Thank you.



Grounds Day and Chichester in Bloom

Our Grounds Day on Saturday 8th July was a huge success and we had a marvellous turn out. Thank you to everyone who came. It was a good opportunity to get the grounds ready for Chichester in Bloom judging day which took place earlier this week. Several judges came including the Mayor of Chichester. I am delighted to be able to inform you that JYS came first in the Environmental Awareness category. We have won £75 vouchers for Brick Kiln Nursery which we should receive next term. Very well done to all the children who showed the judges round they were very impressed!

Year 6 Performance

The Year 6 performance of 'Hagbane's Doom' was a triumph. Well done Year 6, you were all amazing! Thank you also to everyone who donated to the retiring collection for the Chestnut Children's Hospice. We raised £97.00.

Parents Drop-in - Monday 24th July 3.00pm – 3.30pm

Parents are welcome to drop in to discuss their child's report on Monday 24th July from 3.00pm. Topic books and clay models that were made during Creative Week should be ready to take home too. Year 6 parents are welcome to drop in from 1.30pm – 1.50pm on Tuesday 25th July before the Leavers' Assembly which starts at 2pm that day if this is more convenient.

Eco Team News - Green Flag Award

As many of you will be aware, JYS has held the Eco-Schools' 'Green Flag' award for several years now. This top award recognises the high quality environmental learning and work undertaken in school by the children and staff. However, the award isn't permanent and we are required to re-apply for it every two years. The Eco Team are delighted to announce that, following an assessment visit to school on Monday, our 'Green Flag' status has now been renewed for another two years! Once we have received the written report from Eco-Schools in the autumn term, we will be able to share more information about the visit



with you, but we wanted to let you know how thrilled we are that all our hard work has been recognised again. Thank you so much to all of the children who have been members of the Eco Team over the last couple of years and to all the staff who have worked with them to lead environmental projects. Particular thanks go to Mrs Neville, Mrs Ritchie, Mr Vaughan, Mrs Kibble, Mrs Tomlinson and Mrs Abraham. Thank you to all the families who have supported our initiatives too, be that by attending Grounds Days, taking part in the 'Home Recycling Challenge', donating to our 'Big Battery Hunt' or buying our Fairtrade goodies! Well done!

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Report Comments

Thank you to those who have already returned their report comment form. If you still have one to hand in, please hand them in to the school office before the end of this term. We really do value your feedback which helps us to develop our approach to school developments with your views in mind.



Farewell and Welcome

We would just like to take this opportunity to say goodbye to Miss Richardson (Year 3 TA) and Mrs Barnett (Year 4 TA). We would like to thank them for their support with the children this past year and wish them all the best for the future. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Orde in September as TA in Year 5.

Start of Next Term

Just a reminder that term begins on **Tuesday 5th September**. Monday 4th is an INSET day. Attached to this newsletter are some dates for your diary for next term. Future term dates and INSET days are on our school website and on the West Sussex County Council website.

Autumn term dates for your diary are on the next sheet..

Autumn Term Dates 2017	
Date	Event
Monday 4th September	INSET DAY
Tuesday 5 th September	Term Starts
w/c 11 th September	'Meet the teacher' meetings – 2.45pm. Years 1 – 6. Dates tbc
Tuesday 12 th September	Karate starts
Wednesday 13 th September	RnB starts (Year 5 & 6)
Friday 15 th September	RnB starts (Year 2, 3 & 4)
Friday 15 th September	Year 4 Paul Ullson – 'Stone Age'
w/c 18 th September	School led clubs to start
Tuesday 19 th September	Full Governors Meeting – 5.15pm
Weds 27 th - Fri 29 th Sep	Year 5 Camp
Friday 29 th September	Year 5 – Paul Ullson 'Roman Walk'
Thursday 5 th October	Governors Meeting – PLT – 1.15pm
Monday 9 th October	Year 3 – Paul Ullson 'Dragons'
Tuesday 10 th October	Year 4 trip to Butser Ancient Farm
Thursday 12 th October	Governors Meeting – Staffing – 1.30pm
Monday 16 th October	Flu Nasal Vaccinations for Year R, 1, 2, 3 & 4
Mon 16 th – Weds 18 th October	Year 6 Residential Trip to Bowles
Wednesday 18 th October	Year 3 Paul Ullson – 'Chichester Walk'
Thursday 19 th October	Production of 'Charlotte's Web' to the whole school (Funded by JYS Friends)
Thursday 19 th October	Halloween Disco for Key Stage 2
w/c Monday 23 rd October	Half Term
Monday 30th October	INSET Day
Tuesday 31 st October	Children return to school
Monday 6 th November	Individual school photos 9.00am
Tuesday 7 th November	Governors Meeting – Resources – 8.30am
Tues 7 th – Fri 10 th November	'Bikeability' for Year 6
Friday 10 th November	Year 4 – Paul Ullson 'Iron Age'
Thursday 23 rd November	Governors Visit - am
Thursday 30 th November	Year 1 – Paul Ullson 'Wiseman'
Friday 1 st December	Non-Uniform Day for Christmas Fair
Tuesday 5 th December	Full Governors Meeting – 5.15pm
Friday 8 th December	Christmas Fair – time tbc
Wednesday 13 th December	Year R and KS1 Christmas Plays – 9.30am & 2pm
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch - Chartwells
Monday 18 th December	KS2 Performance – 6pm
Wednesday 20 th December	End of Term

Term Dates

Autumn Term 2017

Tuesday 5th September to Wednesday 20th December
Half Term: w/c Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October
Monday 4th September and Monday 30th October INSET days

Spring Term 2018

Thursday 4th January to Thursday 29th March
Half Term: w/c Monday 12th to Friday 16th February
INSET day(s) to be confirmed

Please note that future term dates are available on the West Sussex Council website
<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/education-children-and-families/schools-and-colleges/school-term-dates/>