



# JYS News

Newsletter: 06 ~ 11th October 2024

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## Homework

We appreciate the feedback we received from several parents during our recent open afternoon, and we are now looking to refresh the way homework is set across the school.

Before we begin this process, we are trying to gather views from as many parents as possible. We would appreciate people taking two minutes to answer the questions contained in the following link so that we can consider all views when planning for the future.

<https://forms.gle/oe5pbjHGhE3mhgXy9>



## School break times

At Jessie Younghusband Primary School, we understand that there may be times when a pupil struggles to complete work in class due to a lack of focus. In such cases, a teacher may hold the pupil back for up to five minutes after the lesson to discuss the challenges they are facing and to support them to achieve their full potential. This brief conversation allows the teacher to offer support, clarify expectations, and help the pupil with their work, ensuring they are set up for success. Importantly, this approach only results in a minor adjustment to break time, so children still have a chance to play. We still provide three breaks each day, which is quite unique for a primary school.

Any more serious behaviour concerns which arise during the school day would be dealt with in line with our behaviour policy and we would always reach out to parents to discuss this further. Our goal is to foster a supportive environment where every pupil can thrive.

## This Week

This week we have had a number of visitors to the school. On Monday, Father Paul and Zena from St Paul's came to do our harvest assembly. We would like to pass on the thanks from Chichester Foodbank for the generous donations again this year. They are always gratefully received.

On Tuesday, as part of BookFest, Years 1 and 2 met with author and illustrator Neal Layton. He entertained and spoke to the children before hosting a signing session as they all left with a copy of one of his books!

On Thursday, KS2 all met with author Maz Evans and listened to her writing process before taking a signed copy of her latest book "Oh What A Knight!" home. Our thanks to Mr Vass for working with the library to make all this happen.

And Friday, we once again welcomed in our tame Historian, Paul Ullson, who was met with a legion of shield-bearing Romans for Year 5's Roman Day event!



## House Points

Children earn house points for different things throughout the week, and here are this week's results:



	This week	Term Total (Since Sep '24)	Year Total (Since Sept '24)
Ash	129	614	614
Beech	119	561	561
Maple	138	635	635
Oak	125	647	647

## Important Dates Coming Up

Monday 14th October - Year 5 to Fishbourne Roman Palace  
 Tuesday 15th - Thursday 17th October - Parent Consultation Evenings: 15:30 -

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November - Half Term Holidays (School closed)  
 Wednesday 13th November - Years 1 - 6 to Cineworld!: 09:10 - 12:00  
 December 18th - Christmas activity day (dinner, carols, Year R Christmas celebration)

Friday 20th December: Last day of the Autumn Term  
 Monday 6th January 2025 - First Day of Spring Term