



JYS News

Newsletter: 26 ~ 9th May 2025

Aspire ~ Respect ~ Enjoy

Our Enriched Curriculum

On Tuesday, we welcomed two very special visitors into school: Mandy and Sanjeet from the Siri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara in Crawley. Mandy and Sanjeet came to talk to the children in Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 about different aspects of Sikhism, linked to this half term's learning themes.

The children in all three year groups learned lots about Sikhism from Mandy and Sanjeet's talks, and they asked our visitors some really thoughtful questions too.

We are always keen to welcome visitors from local faith communities into school, as it is such an important and enriching experience for the children. If you have any contacts, or if you are able to help personally, please do get in touch!



This Week

We are pleased once again to have been able to use some of this year's Sports Premium funding to pay for specialist tennis lessons for our Year 1 children. For many years now (at least 6!), we have been joined by Justin Pollard from Chichester Racquet and Tennis Club in the summer term to work with our Year 1 children. They are trained in how to hold a racquet correctly, bounce the ball, hit the ball off the racquet, and even get a simple rally going with a partner.

As a school, we feel it is important to use an expert to help the children develop these skills whilst we are still able to access the funding.

We also use some of the Sports Premium funding to provide professional dance coaching across the school through R'n'B Dance. This term, Year R will be joining Rachael Royce to learn some dance moves in preparation of the summer performance of Shrek Junior - The Musical.

In other news, Year 6 have been busy in the build up to next week's SATs tests. For those that don't know, the Year 6 SATs, or Standard Assessment Tests, are the end-of-Key Stage 2 national curriculum tests that are administered to children in Year 6 in state schools in England. They assess students' knowledge and understanding of what they've learned during Years 3, 4, 5, and 6. The SATs are used to measure school performance and help ensure individual pupils receive the support they need as they move into secondary school.

The Year 6s would like to thank everyone who supported their cake and lolly sales to fund their treat at the end of next week - THANK YOU! We will make you proud!



House Points

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



	This week	Term Total (Since May'25)	Year Total (Since Sept '24)
Ash	125	249	3202
Beech	119	209	2943
Maple	83	168	3003
Oak	121	215	3451

Important Dates Coming Up

- Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - Half term holiday
- Monday 2nd June - INSET - School shut to pupils
- Monday 9th June 15:30 - 16:00 - Meeting about transition to the new site
- Friday 27th June - Sports Day (details tbc)
- Wednesday 2nd July - Transition Day (Y6 to new high school etc)
- Friday 18th July - Last day of term

- Wednesday - Thursday 3rd / 4th September - School Closure for moving
- Friday 5th September - INSET - School shut to pupils
- Monday 8th September - Autumn Term begins (at the new site)!