

# JYS News

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## School Updates and Reminders

Next week, we're pleased to be welcoming a special 'VIP' guest to our school to officially open our beautiful new school library. We're thrilled that JB Gill - a former member of JLS and finalist of last year's Strictly Come Dancing - will be here on Friday to share his new book 'Ace and the Animal Heroes: The Wacky Weather Mystery'. Pupils in KS2 will hear from him about becoming an author, and will each receive a free, signed copy of his book to take home with them. This event will take place during the school day, and parents don't need to attend.

Our Christmas Fun Day is on Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December! This festive occasion promises to be filled with joy and celebration. We have planned a variety of activities for our pupils to enjoy, including a Christmas lunch, a Christmas cracker competition, and Christmas carols on the playground. The children are encouraged to come to school in their Christmas jumpers and may also wear Christmas headbands, hair accessories, and hats. For more details, please refer to the letter sent out this week.

We would like to remind parents that lip care products are not allowed in school unless they are prescribed or included in a child's health care plan and reported at the school office. If your child is experiencing sore lips, we can encourage them to drink more water. However, please contact your pharmacy if you believe they need a prescription. We appreciate your support with this matter.

## This Week

In year 4 we are learning about Sound. We had lots of fun making cup phones and we were surprised at how we could hear our partner when we put the cup to our ear. To help us understand how sound travels we did some experiments.



We watched rice dance on a drum skin, we plucked strings on a ukelele and we tapped tuning forks and dipped their prongs into water. We learnt that sound is about vibrations and these vibrations travel through the air in waves.



We were fortunate to have a visit from Saint Francis Animal Care on Thursday. The children had the opportunity to get up close to these wonderful animals and learn some fascinating facts. Here's what two of our Year 6 pupils had to say:

Florence: "We sat in a circle and were told lots of interesting facts, like how a hedgehog has 5,000 spikes on their back."

Erin: "They have a bright tongue and poor eyesight, so they have to use their ears, eyes, and tongue."

Year 5/6 girls football tournament with 13 schools involved. In our pool we drew three of our matches and won two meaning we finished 3<sup>rd</sup>. The girls were fantastic, playing better and better as we progressed through the competition. Our incredible goalkeeper and captain Amy S made sure we kept a clean sheet too. A brilliant afternoon.



*Thank you!*

We express our heartfelt gratitude to The Friends of Jessie for treating our staff to some fantastic goodies. They have already been greatly appreciated.

*Thank you!*



## House Points

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



	This week	Term Total Autumn Term	Year Total
Ash	92	1281	1281
Beech	117	1359	1359
Maple	64	1051	1051
Oak	118	1389	1389

## Important Dates Coming Up

- December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Indoor Sportshall Athletics (Year 6, Bishop Luffa - 12.15-3.15pm)
- December 2<sup>nd</sup> - Little City Visit (Year R, 1 and 2)
- December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Butser Ancient Farm (Year 3)
- December 4<sup>th</sup> - James Clowes, Paralympian (Year 1)
- December 4<sup>th</sup> - Last Swimming (Year 4 and 5)
- December 5<sup>th</sup> - Opening of the School Library (KS2)
- December 10<sup>th</sup> - Paul Ullson (Year 1)
- December 16<sup>th</sup> - Santa's Secret Gift shop
- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Singing at The Cross
- December 17<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Fun Day, including Christmas lunch and other activities (see letter)
- December 19<sup>th</sup> - Last day of term