

# JYS News

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## School Updates and Reminders

Please make a note of these important dates in your diary:

- 🏡 School Fayre – Friday 10th July
- 🏆 Sports Day – Thursday 16th July (more details to follow)
- 🎉 Summer Term School Disco – Monday 20th July (after school)

We look forward to seeing everyone there for these fun events!

Lucky Dip Prize Donations Needed!

Back by popular demand, the JYS Team will once again be running the Lucky Dip Stall at the school fair, but we need your help to make it a success!

We are looking for donations of small prizes such as:

- Party bag items
- Small toys
- Unused crafts
- Stickers, stationery, or little games

Any other suitable bits and bobs children would enjoy.

If, like us, you have lots of random items tucked away at home that are no longer used, we would be very grateful for your donations.

A donation box labelled "Lucky Dip" will be placed by the usual second-hand uniform drop-off point. Please pop your donations in there.

Thank you so much for your support!

## This Week

We are delighted to finally reveal that this year's Summer Production will be Alice in Wonderland JR! Over the past couple of weeks, the children have enjoyed speculating as clues appeared on the library display board—starting with a pocket watch, followed by a top hat, and finally a pair of bunny ears! The big reveal brought lots of excitement for the Year 6 children, especially after their hard work completing their SATs. They were also given the special opportunity to share the news with the rest of the school. Auditions for Year 6 will take place next week, and once roles have been assigned, rehearsals will begin. Further information and details about the production and ticket sales will be shared next week.

After all their hard work this week, Year 6 had a brilliant treat morning—strikes, spares, and lots of smiles at the bowling alley!



On Saturday, our Swim Squad took part in a fantastic swimming gala at the Westgate Leisure Centre alongside five other schools, in an event brilliantly organised by Chichester Cormorants Swimming Club.

The children were absolutely amazing throughout the night showing great courage, determination and team spirit. Many overcame nerves to compete in some very strong races, with our team winning several events and finishing second in many others.



This week 10 of our year 4 children headed to OSVA for the Chichester area year 3-4 Quadkids. Each child had to run 400m, sprint 50m, do the standing long jump and throw the vortex. Everyone did their very best and times and distances were converted into points. We were delighted to come third school overall. Special mention to Lisa who was the second highest scoring girl on the day.

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- May 22nd - (Year R) Stay and Play
- May 25th-29<sup>th</sup> -HALF TERM BREAK
- June 1<sup>st</sup> - INSET DAY (School closed to all pupils)
- June 10<sup>th</sup> - (Year 2) Jaws and Claws
- June 16<sup>th</sup> - Class Photographs
- June 17<sup>th</sup> - Rivers Trip (Year 4)
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> - Cobnor Residential
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On Wednesday, Years 1, 3 and 5 welcomed Sandeep from the Siri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara in Crawley, into their R.E. lessons via Teams video calls! Sandeep told the children all about different aspects of Sikhism, linked to each year group's R.E. learning theme this half term. The children in all classes asked some really thoughtful questions and learned lots from Sandeep's talks. Here are some of Year 1's favourite facts:

"I found out that there is always a flag outside every Gurdwara because it shows everyone who is going past that they are welcome to come inside." Max

"I never knew that the flag shows people driving past that this is a Gurdwara and the flag has a special picture on it." Cara

"We didn't know that Gurdwaras have big domes on top of them. Often one of them is golden. They look like big scoops of ice-cream!" Reuben, Ronnie and Mason

"I found out that the word 'Sikh' means 'learner'." Claudia

"Sikhs always take their shoes off when they go into the Gurdwara because it shows respect." Lottie

"I didn't know that they treated their special book like a king! They carry it high on their heads and even shade it with an umbrella to show it respect." Martha

"Did you know, they even put their special book to bed in a beautiful big bed in the Gurdwara every day?" Violet and Ivy

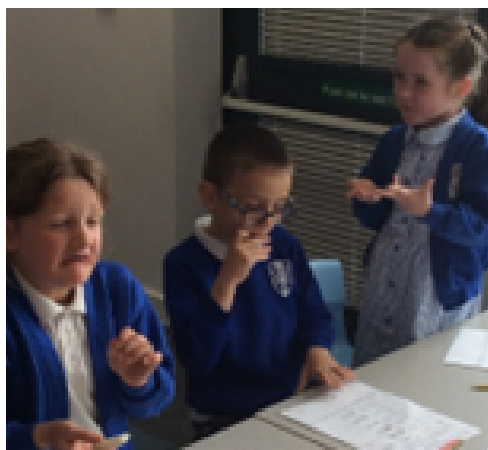
"I found out that Sikhs believe in being kind to everyone and looking after everyone." Aidan

"I found out that all of the people who cook the food in the Langar kitchen are volunteers. They don't get paid to do the job." Isaiiah

"I found out that in the Langar Hall, everyone eats the food sitting on the floor. I also found out that the Langar meal is always vegetarian so that everyone can eat it." Toby

"Did you know, everyone sits on the floor because they believe that everyone is equal." Aidan and Aubree

In Year 1's Science lesson this morning, the children had lots of fun carrying out a taste test! As part of their 'Sensational Senses' learning theme, the children were learning about how our tongues taste different flavours (bitter, sour, salty, sweet and savoury). Some of the tastes made everyone pull some very funny faces!



## House Points

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



	This week	Term Total summer Term	Year Total
Ash	64	447	2984
Beech	82	466	3019
Maple	61	366	2401
Oak	77	567	3281

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