JYS News

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Aspire ~ Respect ~ Enjoy

Thank you

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to CI Optometrists, for their incredibly generous sponsorship of new sports equipment for our school. Their support will help enhance sporting opportunities for our pupils, and we are extremely grateful for this kind contribution to our school community.
Thank you from everyone at Jessie Younghusband School.

Classroom Highlights

Year 5 had a great day at Fishbourne roman palace exploring life as a roman making mosaics, dressing up in traditional clothing and even having a go at the roman alphabet!







We were delighted to take part in this year's Chichester Children's BookFest, one of the highlights of our reading calendar. Every child in the school had the opportunity to meet a visiting author and enjoy an engaging presentation in the hall. Our Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children were entertained by Mariesa Dulak, who shared The Ice Cream Crocodile; Years 3 and 4 met Sheena Dempsey and explored Pablo and Splash: Viking Voyage; and Years 5 and 6 enjoyed a fascinating session with Iszi Lawrence, author of The Domesday Cow. Every pupil received a free signed copy of the featured book to take home and enjoy.
The visits were full of energy, creativity and inspiration, helping to nurture a love of reading across the school. Mariesa Dulak's presentation was particularly memorable, ending with a lively song and dance that had children and staff joining in together, with some pupils even taking on roles in costume. Inspired by Sheena Dempsey's visit, our Year 3 and 4 pupils went on to create their own comic books, showcasing their imagination and storytelling skills. Experiences such as these help bring books to life and encourage children to see themselves as readers, writers and creators.





On Monday, we welcomed Father Paul and Zena, who led a special Harvest assembly. Supported by the Year 6 choir, led by Mr Larley, and a wonderful solo performance from Bea, the children explored the meaning of Harvest and the importance of being thankful.
Through an interactive activity, the children helped spell out key words such as heart, earth, rest, vest, eat, have and starve, encouraging them to reflect on what they have and to consider those who may be less fortunate. Thank you to everyone who has sent in Harvest donations. Your generosity will help support people in our local community and is greatly appreciated.

House Points

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

	This Week	Term Total	Year Total
Ash	95	549	549
Beech	85	565	565
Maple	97	550	550
Oak	90	633	633

Important Dates Coming Up

October 12th - Little City Visit Year R and Year 1
October 16th - Flu Vaccinations
October 19th - Year 2 Visit to Dell Quay, Chichester Harbour
October 19th - 23rd - Bikeability Year 6 (L1/2)
October 21st - Parents Evenings
October 22nd - Parents Evenings
October 23rd - Bikeability Year 5
October 26th - 30th - HALF TERM
November 2nd - INSET DAY (SCHOOL CLOSED TO ALL PUPILS)
November 5th - NO SWIMMING
November 5th - Year 4 Trip to Cathedral (Raise Your Voice)
November 5th - Autumn Disco 3.15-4pm KS1 and 4.15-5pm KS2
November 17th - Individual and Sibling Photographs