

Jessie Younghusband School

JYS News

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Sports Day - Wednesday 29th June from 13:00

In case you missed the ParentMail that was sent out on the 13th June, we are delighted to be able to invite you to come and celebrate our inclusive Sports Day event on the afternoon of Wednesday 29th June (weather permitting!). Having consulted our Year 5 Bronze Ambassadors (our own sports leaders), we have chosen events that will allow all children to compete and have an element of fun to them too! This year, we are pleased to say that by sports leaders from The Regis School will be supporting us in running this event.

Whilst we know that a number of parents and children would prefer a more "traditional" sports day event with competitive running races, the decision to have a more inclusive sports day is to allow everyone to compete at their own level and contribute to a team score. As you will know from our weekly newsletters, as Covid restrictions continue to be relaxed, we are taking children out to compete against other schools (from Quadkids Athletics, swimming galas, The Corporate Challenge) and we will continue to find opportunities to do this.

The children will come out at 13:10 and head towards their first event, led by one of our Year 6 children. They will start at one activity and then rotate clockwise around the field, and we ask that you follow your child as they move between each activity.

Please be aware that if the weather is too wet for us to run Sports Day on the 29th June, then we will have to cancel the event for this year. We know that many of you will have booked time off from work to attend, and so we will only cancel if necessary.



The Year 4 Multiplication Test



This week, our Year 4 class underwent the Government's mandatory Y4 Multiplication Check. This is the first year that this has been able to run, and our children approached it very positively. Some of the children chose to do this online test using the school's PCs, whilst others were happier using the iPads.

The test involves the children logging into a website with a unique userid that was assigned to them, answering 3 practice questions and then 20 test questions, having only 6 seconds to read the question and type in the answer. The children have been working on this very diligently in the lead up to the test.

We are proud with the effort that they have put in, and know that they have done their best.

This week's news...

The glorious weather this week has meant that a lot of the activities that we had planned for the children have been able to go ahead, which is lovely to be able to share with you.

Year 4 have enjoyed pond-dipping this week with Miss Walker - one of our student teachers - and Mr Wilkins, as they hunt for consumers and producers!

Year 1 enjoyed their trip to Tuppenny Barn. The children made seed bombs, brought back strawberry plants, learned about pollination and had fun making - and eating - a rainbow salad!

On Wednesday, Year 2 went to the Westgate Centre to take part in the Infant Commonwealth Games, where they tried some events inspired by this year's Commonwealth Games, including boxing, golf and rhythmic gymnastics. They had a lot of fun and came back buzzing!

From Wednesday until Friday, our Year 6 children were camping at Cobnor for this year's residential visit. They began the experience by making fires, playing 'aero ball' and doing archery and have also enjoyed many other activities including raft building - and then racing them! A huge thank you to Mr Harman, Mrs Potter, Mr Tomlinson, Mrs McGurk and Mr Neaves for all their effort to make this such a positive experience for the children.

