

Head of School Newsletter

Spring Term – 2nd March 2018



Weekly update:

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Children;

What can I say? We persevered and stayed open! I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank all our families and our children for braving the cold. I would like to thank all our staff for their dedication to the school, travelling from near and far to provide our children with memorable learning experiences.

Despite the weather and the terrible conditions some of us, including families, faced this week – We made it! Our collective whole school attendance from Wednesday to Friday was nearly 90% - this is extraordinary!

Our children had fun in the snow, they learnt about personal safety in adverse weather, resilience and perseverance. They helped each other and looked after one another at playtimes. Nothing can top the joy of snow ball fun at play times; we were very lucky to be out nearly every day.

On Friday, as a thank you to all our children for their bravery facing the cold to be at school as usual, every child had a hot chocolate and a biscuit to enjoy in their classroom!

We also found out from our chef that our menu for the Spring term has been amended to accommodate one German day every week in our school menu! This was as a result of school council feedback – great job kids!

We are very much looking forward to Book Week in a week's time (12-16th March). The whole school is going to have a German book making project. The children will also get to decorate their classroom doors – parents will have the opportunity to see these during parents evening and the children will dress up on Friday 16th March (hopefully it will be warmer then)!

Thank you for your continuous support,
Miss Marta Correia
Head of School

Parents' Evening at JKPS:

As a result of parent feedback via the parent council, regarding information about children's progress at school, we would like to ensure that all parents have the following information:

Details of parents' evening:

Parents evening has been postponed to Thursday 15th March between 3:30pm – 8pm.

Your child will have taken home a slip containing confirmation of the 10 minutes appointment on Friday 23rd February (Please check your child's bag just in case).

What to expect from Parents' Evening:

- Parents will have the opportunity to speak to the class teacher about how their child is progressing at school – we encourage parents to look at children's books from the start of the year until now to get a better idea about their progress.
- Parents will also be able to expect an update on attainment: whether your child is on track to:
 - Meet their end-of-year targets (based on their baseline attainment)
 - Meet the expected standard for their year group
 - Meet the greater depth standard for their year group
- Each child will have a Target Summary sheet stating the attainment of the child at present and what their end-of-year target is. The teachers will also be providing parents with specific objectives in order to support at home.
- Parents will also get an update about any additional support or interventions your child is receiving at school and why they are in receipt of this.
- Miss Marta and the SENCO will also be available to meet with parents and carers.

SEN Parent Survey:

Last term, a parent survey was sent out to parents of children with special educational needs. As a result of parent feedback, teachers will also be providing parents of SEN children, with an Individual Education Plan which will contain all the support the children are given and specific information about their needs. We recommend that parents of children with special educational needs meet with the class teachers first in order to obtain this information and then with the SENCO should you have any additional queries.

Parent Satisfaction Survey:

We have managed to produce an online parent satisfaction survey. This will be sent to you via email after parents' evening. The survey will be open for a week so we hope to get as much feedback as possible on how we are doing. Results will then be shared via the school website, a notification email will be sent to all parents. We value your feedback, hopefully this will be a more manageable method of capturing everyone's input.



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Spring Choral Concert



Thursday 22nd March
2018 at 2:40pm

Top Hall

Featuring:

Year 1, 2, 3 Choir
and Year 4, 5, 6 Choir



All of the children in Y123 Choir and Y456 have been working very hard and are looking forward to performing this term. Families of Choir members are warmly invited to the Spring Choral Concert at JKPS on Thursday 22nd March at 2:40pm.

Mathletics: Message from Mr Nigel:



The three highest scoring pupils in Mathletics last week were:

1st - Barni in 1B with 2739 points
2nd - Marie un 2G with 2380 points
3rd - Ayden in 1B with 1990 points
Barni gets a silver certificate, Marie and Ayden each receive a bronze.

The other children who received certificates last week are:

Hugo in 2B
Emmanuel in 2B
Ella in 2B
Oscar in 1B
Aloma in 1B
Jonathon in Y5
Magali in Y5
Iggy in 2G
Anna in 2G
Leopold in 2G
Thea in 2G
Hannah in 1G
Clara in 1G
Lillian in 1G
Sofia in 1G

Well done to all!

Safeguarding:

Please can parents continue to support us by reminding children about the **Road Safety Code** when travelling to school, especially about crossing roads safely such as Delawyc Close.

Contact Information

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Weekly Attendance:

Despite the adverse weather and all the challenges everyone faced, the whole school combined attendance was 90%

This was celebrated with hot chocolate and biscuits for all the children.

Well done for being at school – no matter the weather!

School Garden update:

We had a sunny, cold, fun and productive day last Sunday in the school garden and in the woodland area, achieving the following:

- started building the mud kitchen
- changed the fencing in the back so children do have access to the newly planted area next to the wooden fence but not to the area behind the fence.
- prepared beds for planting - weeding, digging, incorporating manure
- litter picking in the garden and rubbish removal from the woodland
- weeding and mulching around our hedge saplings
- opening up the pond, implementing security measures - planting a willow fence around it and making a grid out of bamboo canes to go on top of it
- we filled holes in the ground with soil and added wood chips to uneven paths to increase the security
- removed brambles from the woodland area

The next gardening and woodland day will be on 25th March. The 'timber dads' want to finish the mud kitchen then and we would like to further increase the security of the site, to make it easier for staff to supervise children in the garden.

We also want to continue our work in the woodlands to make it accessible for the children so it can be opened up for sessions hopefully after Easter. Emma Huntley is taking a lead on this, updates coming soon.

On behalf of the school, a massive thank you to Anke, Emma and everyone who has volunteered – great work!



Year 6 Secondary School Offers:

We will be sharing this information with you in next week's newsletter so that prospective parents in KS2 can start looking at schools now for next year too.

Exciting Whole School Themed Weeks coming up at JKPS – Get involved!

The following themed weeks are a great opportunity for our families to get involved.

Book Week – 12th -16th March (Miss Jo)

Science Week – 21st-25th May (Miss Georgina)

Enterprise Week – 25th -29th June (Mr Patrick)

If you would like to lead a session, workshop or assembly, supporting children with a particular skill, please inform the teachers of the designated year group or leave your interest with School office.

Fun in the snow at JKPS:

