

Head of School Newsletter

Spring Term – 16th March 2018



Weekly update:

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Children,

Book Week at JKPS: We have had a truly remarkable book week! The team have worked very hard together to plan exciting and creative reading opportunities for all classes to take part in. The activities ranged from a German read-a-thon (with the support of the Friends of JKPS) to decorating classroom doors (which we hope you all managed to see at parents' evening yesterday), publishing their own German books and working collaboratively with children from different classes. This has been a real success – I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work, in particular Miss Jo and Miss Annette for ensuring we had a bilingual book week this year! We will be sharing the outcome of our book fair and money raised (with book character day as well) in next week's newsletter. Thank you to all our families for your contributions and support!

Choir perform at the Royal Festival Hall

On Wednesday, the Y4, 5, 6 Choir performed as part of the Music for Youth Regional Festival 2018. The children gave an excellent performance and sang beautifully. Their hard work was certainly recognised by the music mentors, who gave lots of positive feedback to inspire their musical development. During lunchtime, the choir enjoyed the London sights along the Southbank as well as travelling down the 'Singing Lift' before heading back to school. Overall, we had a fantastic day! The Y4, 5, 6 choir children and I want to especially thank Miss Nemiah for organizing such a great opportunity for our school choir to participate in, Amanda Johnson (Theo and Caspar's Mum), Chris Taylor (Oscar's Dad 1B) and Donna Cross for their encouragement and support in preparation for the performance and on the day itself. Many thanks, also, to all the families that came to support us at the Royal Festival Hall. The children in both Y1, 2, 3 and Y4, 5, 6 choirs now look forward to performing in the Spring Choral Concert on Thursday 22nd March at 2:40pm.

We wish you a great weekend,

Miss Marta Correia

Head of School

Year 4 Benchball Tournament

On Thursday 15th March, Year 4 participated in a tournament with other Southwark Schools. Our children did us very proud as they won our very first JKPS trophy! Well done to Year 4, in particular, the D team! I would also like to congratulate Joshua in 4G who was elected best male out of all the participants. Hopefully, this marks the beginning of future sports successes!



Team D at the benchball tournament. Well done to everyone in Year 4 for your excellent sporting attitude and doing so well in the 19 rounds! Thank you to Miss Laura for preparing the children so well in German PE

Parents' evening

Thank you to all parents who attended our second parent evening and to those who have made alternative arrangements to get this opportunity. We hope you have found the meetings productive and received current information about how your child is progressing at school. We circulated an email with a parent satisfaction survey as we value parental involvement on our drive for success and continuous improvement. If you have missed the email by any chance, please follow this link:

<https://goo.gl/forms/JcHQBUJN15fsTPF3>

So far, we cannot thank our parents enough for your positive and thorough responses. We aim to communicate the results of the survey with you before the spring break, including our areas for improvement.

Royal Festival Hall: School choir



School choir visit to Royal Festival Hall on Wednesday 14th March 2018. Thank you to all the children in the school choir for your excellent dedication and for representing the school so well.

Book week at JKPS!



Book week classroom door decorating competition:

Well done to all the staff and children for their incredibly creative door decorations.

A special well done to 2G for winning the Book week door competition!

Mathletics: Message from Mr Nigel:



Last week's top scorers in Mathletics were:

1st - Dominic in 3G with 4828 points

2nd - Calvin in 2G with 3335 points

3rd - Chloe in 4G with 2277 points.

Well done to them. They will each receive a bronze certificate.

Well done children!

Message from Miss Jo:

Thank you to all the parents for helping over the course of book week, volunteering, baking goods and helping your children create their amazing potato and costume creations.

The classroom doors all look amazing! Well done to **2G** for their Twits door- it was voted the best!

Have a look at photographs of the children's costumes- can you guess who they are?

If your child forgot to bring in £1 donation – please could they bring it in on Monday – this money goes to buying books for our guided reading sessions.

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What have we been learning this week?

Year 1: Y1 celebrated book week by making their own Cave Baby German books and decorating our class doors with cave drawings! In Maths we have been learning about mass and capacity using rice to measure the capacity of different containers and cubes on a two-pan balance scale which the children really enjoyed!

Year 2: In Year Two this week, the children have been progressing to the next step of telling the time: quarter to and quarter past the hour times, as well as telling the time to the nearest five minutes on analogue and digital times. Mastering this important life skill can be challenging, but the children should be extremely proud of the progress they have made. Well done to all.

Year 3:

What an exciting week it has been in Year 3! As well as celebrating books, and making our own versions of James and The Giant Peach (in German), in English we had lots of fun writing our own chapters for the book. This involved bring together all our skills for good writing.

Here's a short excerpt for Finley's chapter - enjoy!

They stared around. There was a long silence. "W...where are we?" stammered the earthworm.

"Can't you see!" shouted the centipede.

"No, I can't because I am blind!" the earthworm shouted back. They started to argue while the others stared into the long, blue ribbon that was the blue, see-through sea. The peach was starting to bob up and down while the arguing got louder and louder!

"I can sense instead," complained the earthworm...

What do you think the earthworm could sense was coming their way?

What have we been learning this week?

Year 4: This week year 4 managed to create artwork to cover their classroom doors for book week. They also took part in a benchball competition against other schools in London and managed to bring back a trophy! It was a nice treat after working hard in our end of term assessments.

Year 5: have had yet another eventful week. In Maths they have been working on equivalent fractions, as well as adding and subtracting them. They have also been practising our mental maths skills throughout the week. In English they have been writing character descriptions using fronted adverbials, relative clauses and a range of adjectives to develop their writing. In German, they worked on translating a children's classic, Where The Wild Things Are, and will spend today bringing their translations to life!

Year 6: This week in Year 6, we have been preparing for book week- we made an Origami Yoda door.

On Friday we teamed up with Reception and helped the children to create their very own colour books in German. Well done to Year 6 for being such kind and helpful role models.

Summer Term Club Allocation:

We would like to inform all our families that club lists and application forms have been sent home with your children on Friday 16th March. Please check your child's bag! We are only accepting completed forms via hardcopy – not email.

All forms must be returned to the school office by Wednesday 21st March. All payments and waiting lists will be reviewed prior to new places being allocated. We aim to inform you about club allocations by Tuesday 27th March.

Sports News:

Saturday 10th March, 2018

JKPS Tigers v. Crown Lane
4-3

JKPS Tigers again triumphed under adversity last Saturday to win 4-3. Crown Lane, higher in the league table, were clearly taken by surprise by the newcomers to the league. Assist King, Theo put Captain Misan through and his fine strike put the Tigers 1-0 up within the first 10 minutes. The rest of the first half was tough, with Crown Lane pressing the Tigers' goal without success, thanks to a couple of good saves from Michel. Jonathan came very close to getting his name on the score sheet, but Crown Lane finally equalised just before the half time whistle.

The Southwark and Lambeth Primary Schools Football League also has a Fair Play League Table. Unsurprisingly, after this showing, JKPS Tigers are at the top. This is something that all at JKPS should be justly proud of. The referee was thankfully right on top of the situation in this game, allowing the Tigers to prove that foul play has no place in football at any level.

Well done to the Tigers and thank you to Amanda and Thomas for coaching the children and your dedicated effort to the team.

Benchball Tournament update from London PE & Sport Network

Winners – Judith Kerr D

Runners Up – St Josephs B

3rd – ABS B

4th – St James the Great A

Congratulations to Judith Kerr beating St Josephs in a very close final. Thank you to all schools for attending.

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Who is celebrating a birthday at JKPS in March?

We would like to wish the following staff and children a wonderful birthday:

Mr Patrick, Miss Julia, Miss Melissa, Finn H, Anton W, Yannick, Ollie P, Stella, Jasmine-Joy, Katie, Leo K, Rishi, Calvin, Dominic, Eden, Thomas C, Sophia T, Oliver B, Matthew F, Sophie-Thea, Betty, Simon B

Weekly Attendance:

RB 99.6%	RG 96.96%	1B 98.18%	1G 93.75%
2B 99.57%	2G 100%	3B 97.62%	3G 98.17%
4B 98.26%	4G 98.26%	Y5 99.09%	Y6 96%

Congratulations to 2G for getting this week's top attendance. You can pick your reward with your class teacher!

Weekly Punctuality:

RB 92%	RG 93.39%	1B 96.35%	1G 95.42%
2B 97.83%	2G 98.8%	3B 95.15%	3G 97.62%
4B 97.83%	4G 96.96%	Y5 99.55%	Y6 95%

Congratulations to Y5! The JKPS Tiger will visit your class' reading corner next week!

Enterprise week: Message from Mr Patrick

During the week of 25th June, we will be holding an Enterprise Week in school. As part of the week, classes across the school will research, design, make and evaluate a product of their choice. Each class will receive a small budget to buy materials to make their product. At the end of the week they will then have the opportunity to sell their products.

We are currently looking for an organisation to sponsor the week. If you know of an organisation (ideally, but not imperatively, with German and/or finance links) which might be interested in getting involved, or have a contact who might be interested, please ask them to contact Mr Patrick via the school office.

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