



Dear Parents, Carers, children and families;

Welcome back families! Wonderful to see all the children back in this week, particularly with messages like this one from one of our KS1 children! Welcome back everyone, happy new school year!

Dear Judith Kerr,
I love you,
because you teach us,
to write and maths.

Love from
Tristan



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We would like to take this opportunity to welcome everyone back and to welcome our new staff, and newly admitted families across the school. Our new interns started this week and have already had a great impact on German learning environments. We are looking forward to welcoming all our reception children on Wednesday 11th September where they will be parading their Schultüte to the rest of the school. Over the summer, we were sorry to hear about Ms Jo-Ann's unexpected medical condition and wish her a speedy recovery (Reception Teaching Assistant/Club supervisor).

We take great pride in our curriculum and vision for the school. Our **curriculum intent** for all children at Judith Kerr Primary is the following:

At Judith Kerr Primary School, all pupils are immersed in a **creative curriculum**, rich in **language and learning experiences** which promote **high levels of pupil engagement and achievement**.

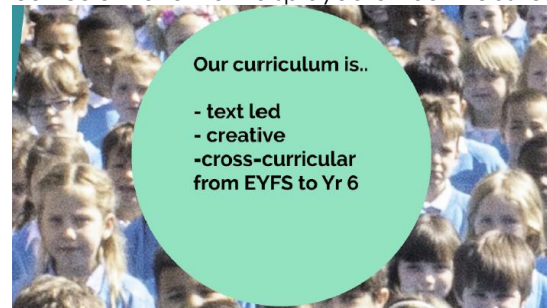
We are committed to providing each child with **specialist teaching of German language and culture in a diverse, multi-lingual environment**.

Judith Kerr Primary is firmly rooted in **strong moral values**; developing each child's potential, helping them to flourish, equipping all children **with a love for learning that will last them for life**. We have high aspirations and expectations for all pupils; **personalising the support provided to develop each child's confidence, self-esteem and individual talents**.

This means that everything that we do for our children is aligned with our vision, hopefully you will continue to see this through our communication. Our curriculum approach is that all subjects and objectives are linked together with a topic, making it a more holistic approach to this age range, supporting children with making connections between their learning thus being able to retain more information.

We are particularly focusing on curriculum alignment, ensuring that knowledge and skills are built-on progressively year-on-year. We continuously review our pedagogical approaches in line with research, to continue to engage children with their learning and provide them with opportunities to think outside the box. Every topic at JKPS is tied with an open-ended question which will promote critical thinking throughout the topic. You will be able to see this below, as you look at what every year group has been doing so far.

Through thorough curriculum management, we are also developing our outdoor learning opportunities (forest school approach) and our involvement with the local school community for example: developing partnerships with local charities. Hopefully you will be able to see this in our curriculum overview displayed on our website.



Our curriculum is..

- text led
- creative
- cross-curricular
- from EYFS to Yr 6

Over the next couple of weeks, you will have the opportunity to meet with your child's class teachers and go through our creative curriculum approach. This will also be your opportunity to find out about class routines and how you can support your child further with their learning journey.

A massive thanks to all our families who volunteered with gardening duties during the summer holiday! This support is greatly appreciated by the whole school community! For those of you that would like to support with this, there is a gardening day this Sunday!

JKPS team

Reception:

Class teachers: Ms Vicky, Ms Sweeta and Ms Filipa
Teaching assistants: Ms Annya and Ms Jo-Ann

Unfortunately, during the summer holiday, Ms Jo-ann experienced a significant health complication and will be staying under medical support for the near future. Consequently, we are currently looking for Ms Jo-ann's replacement and will be keeping you updated on our progress with this. We wish Ms Jo-ann a speedy recovery.

This week, our new Reception children enjoyed their stay and play sessions. They made superheroes out of potatoes and designed colourful pyjamas. We are looking forward to Schutute Parade on Wednesday!



Year 1:

Class teachers: Ms Orla, Ms Sara
Teaching assistants: Ms Diana, Ms Tatiana, Ms Julie

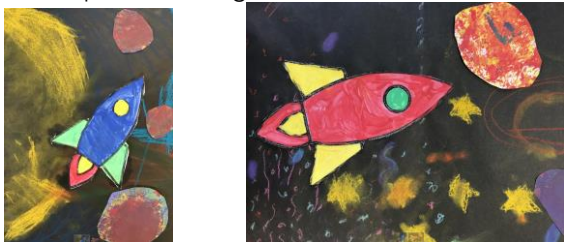
In year 1 we have been collecting natural materials in the Forest school. Then the children created their own Safari animals using the materials they collected. Great work Year 1!



Year 2:

Class teachers: Mr Patrick, Ms Georgia
Teaching assistants: Ms Catarina, Ms Amanda, Ms Lauren

In year 2 have started learning about Space, their topic for this term. The children explored the planets and created some space montages.



Year 3:

Class teachers: Ms Esther, Mr Nigel, Ms Anke
Teaching assistants: Ms Karin

This term Year 3 will be learning about George and the Dragon. The children have been learning the story and designing dragons, making montages and dragon eggs!



Year 4:

Class teachers: Ms Stephanie, Ms Camilla

Year 4's topic for Autumn 1 is 'Polar Explorers' and this week the children have been creating lined pencil drawings of penguins and making watercolour landscapes of Antarctica. Next week year 4 will be answering the question 'what does it take to become an explorer?'



Year 5:

Class teachers: Ms Tara, Ms Keziah

The year 5s started off the new school year with a bang! They explored this term's key question - 'What would you see if you sailed the ocean - which links to our key text, Kensuke's Kingdom. The classes got a chance to build their own dens in our forest school and had the chance to create some very original and intricate zentangle designs, which also link to themes within our text. We're all very excited for all the learning opportunities this term!



Year 6:

Class teachers: Ms Jo, Ms Nina
Teaching Assistants: Ms Donna, Ms Magda/Ms Lauren

The children have settled in fabulously this week and we have begun our topic. We have been discussing what a legacy means and what civilisations have impacted on modern society. We have been looking at Greek vases and what they tell us about the society then and created our own! Next week we start exploring Greek myths.



Key dates and messages:**Clubs:**

All before and after school clubs have started for this term. Please ensure that all payments are made timely on ParentPay in order for your child to continue to access this provision.

Contact details:

If your circumstances have changed since last year and you have:

- A new home address
- A new phone number
- New pick up arrangements / emergency contacts for your child/ren – please inform the school office in the first instance

School uniform:

Thank you for supporting the school with our uniform initiative. Thank you also to the families that came forward to share information about personal circumstances. The expectation is that all children have a school cardigan or jumper, white polo tops or shirts, grey trousers, skirts, or dresses and wear black non-slippery school shoes. There are school shoes for example at Clarks, which look/feel like trainers and might be of longer durability. In the event that your child cycles to school or wears wellington boots on a rainy day, they will still need to bring their shoes to get changed into. Please also double check school PE t-shirts and that these fit the children as they have all grown significantly over the summer break.

Medical:

If your child has medical needs or has developed medical conditions over the summer, please ensure the following:

- The school has a care plan (so that all staff know what to do in case of administering medication)
- The school has been notified formally

Mid-morning/ after school snacks:

Fruit and milk are available daily for every KS1 child. Fruit is also available during morning play time for the older children. If families choose to provide their child with a snack, the following guide lines have to be adhered to:

- Healthy (low sugar and saturated fats)
- No NUTS (we are a nut-free school)

We would like everyone to make a conscious effort to monitor closely, the ingredients on children's snacks. We have children with **severe nut allergies**, and as a nut free school, we need to ensure the safety of all children. Snacks containing nuts will be confiscated and safely disposed of for everyone's safety. Last year quite a few less obvious items containing nuts were confiscated, these included: nut bars, nut-spread sandwiches, cereals and particular types of bread. We are grateful for your support with this.

Key dates and messages:**Term-time absence:**

Throughout the year, the children have several half-term breaks and longer holidays. We would be grateful if all families could support the school in maintaining a high attendance rate and not booking holidays during term-time. For special circumstances, an authorisation form can be completed e.g medical, family bereavement, transition visits to secondary schools. You can collect this form from the school office or request for it to be sent by email.

Home-time (pick ups):

Please make sure that the school staff have been informed of whom is collecting your child on a daily basis. Daily pick up requests can be sent to pickup@jkps-cfbt.org before 2:30pm or you can call the school office directly.

If your child has permission from you to go home alone, this must be submitted to management in writing for approval. If the school have concerns about a child's wellbeing or their independent capabilities, the school will not authorise this.

Key dates/events coming up:

Date / Time	Event	Year group/class
Monday 9/9/19 at 2:45pm	Curriculum meeting	Year 2
Tuesday 10/9/19 at 2:45pm	Curriculum meeting	Year 3
Wednesday 11/9/19 at 2:45pm	Curriculum meeting	Year 1
Thursday 12/9/19 at 2:45pm	Curriculum meeting	Year 4
Friday 13/9/19 at 2:45pm	Curriculum meeting	Year 5
Sunday 15/9/19	Gardening day (volunteers) at JKPS	Volunteers
Tuesday 17/9/19	Reception parents workshop (phonics and supporting with learning journeys)	Reception
Thursday 19/9/19 at 2pm	Curriculum meeting and residential information	Year 6
23/9/19-26/9/19	Bikeability – consent forms needed	Year 4
30/9/19 – 3/10/19	Bikeability – consent forms needed	Year 3
Monday 7/10/19 at 2:30pm	Learning showcase for families	Year 1
Tuesday 8/10/19 at 2:45pm	Learning showcase for families	Year 2
Wednesday 9/10/19 at 2:30pm	George and the Dragon production	Year 3
Tuesday 15/10/19 at 2:45pm	Learning showcase for families	Year 6
Thursday 17/10/19	Parents evening 1pm-7pm Year 6 3:30pm-7pm YR-Y5	Whole school
Friday 18/10/19	INSET - Staff training day – school closed for children	Whole school

The Friends of Judith Kerr Primary School
proudly present:

• The 2nd Annual Herne Hill •

OKTOBERFEST

September 28th, 12 - 8 pm
Green Space at Judith Kerr Primary School

free entry

For one day only, come and celebrate
the end of summer in the most
family-friendly biergarten in London.

Join us for beer on draft from
fabulous local breweries, food and music.
The kids can roam free, explore the green space
or participate in **games and crafts**.
There will be workshops about all things
sustainable and **fermented**

And of course all the Oktoberfest classics:
sausages, pretzel, lederhosen, gingerbread.

Bring your friends and family along and enjoy the
best beer festival this side of Bavaria!



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