



JERSEY
COLLEGE
Prep

13th December 2024

Weekly Newsletter

Upcoming Dates



December

16th Year 1 "Singing Around the Christmas Tree", 14.00, Hall
17th Year 1 "Singing Around the Christmas Tree", 9.00, Hall
18th Christmas Party Day
19th Last day of Term

January

6th January Start of term
24th January - PTA Crazy Hair Day

February

6th Year 1 Assembly, 14.00, Hall
11th Class/Year & Group School Photographs
17th -21st Half Term
24th Year 5 States Chamber Visit

To help working parents we have added the dates for the school year to our website.



Headteacher's Message

What a week it has been at JCP! Our Year 2 pupils were fabulous in their production of I'm Gonna Shine – and shine they did! Packed audiences for both performances were treated to a fantastic display of talent, energy, and enthusiasm. The feedback from parents has been wonderful, with everyone praising the children's hard work and the fun they brought to the stage. A huge congratulations to all of our amazing Year 2 stars!

In other exciting news, Christmas jumper day was a big hit! The school was filled with sparkly, festive jumpers, and thanks to everyone's generosity, we raised a fantastic amount for the charity Save the Children. Thank you to all who took part and made it such a cheerful day!

And last but definitely not least, we had our first-ever whole-school Christmas lunch! It was a busy but absolutely magical event, with the whole school coming together to enjoy a delicious festive meal. We might have been a little exhausted by the end, but the smiles and laughter made it all worth it. Please see some photos below.

Thank you
Mrs Precious



Christmas Lunch









End of Term Reminders

- Please remember that there are **no** extra-curricular clubs running next week.

Please view our Spring Term Clubs [here](#).

- School buses will be running as usual on the last day of term.
- Little Leopards will be closed on the last day of term, Thursday 19th December.



*Thank
you!*

The sum of £645.25 was collected at the Carol Service and will be donated to Dementia Jersey.

Thank you very much for your generosity.



Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day



So far we have raised £471 for Save the Children. There is still time to donate - please use the link below.

Thank you as always for your generosity.

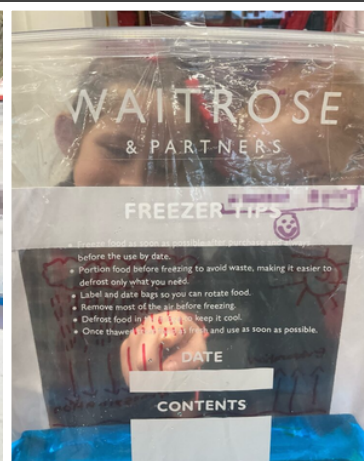
[Christmas Jumper Day Link to Donate](#)



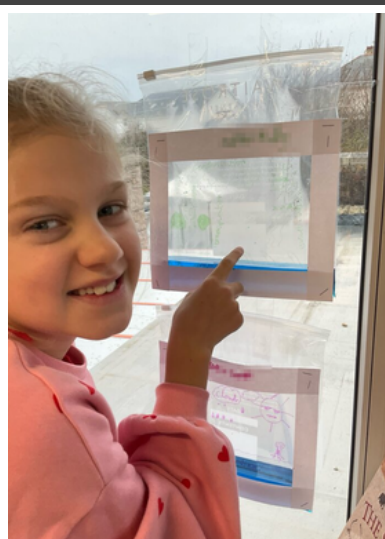


This week the Reception children had a wonderful visit to St Saviour's Church to learn more about how Christians prepare for Christmas. They learned about the pulpit, the advent wreath, the stained-glass windows, the prayer tree and the famous artist who painted the nativity scene - Henry Thomas Bosdet. Some children also got to smell the frankincense.





In science this week, Year 4 have been learning about The Water Cycle. They had lots of fun creating their own mini water cycles and recording their observations.



Year 5 Victorian Day



This week Year 5 turned the clock back and returned to Victorian times!





Ophelia's Jingle & Mingle Market

Congratulations to Ophelia and the children from Year 2 who raised £1300. 81 children who are supported from charities such as Brighter Futures, Caring Cooks, Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul were able to meet Santa and get some presents.

Ophelia will be on the radio on a pre record on Christmas Day talking about the event and doing some sound bites for BBC Radio Jersey.

Well done everyone!





Music



This week has been another wonderful celebration of all things musical!

Year 2 entertained parents and the whole school with the most incredible performances of 'I'm Gonna Shine'. They sang extremely well and I was so proud of everyone.





Year 1 have been busy preparing for their Christmas songs and poems around the tree. They look forward to welcoming parents to their performances next week.

Some of our **Year 4** pupils had a try playing a metal flute this week when Mrs Mc Linton came to visit following the completion of the Year 4 Music Project. It was a very different playing experience to the beginner flutes they had used for the music project, but they enjoyed having a go and making some nice sounds.

You may have heard some lovely festive music at Key Stage 1 home time on Wednesday afternoon when **Poppy (5J)** played with her French Horn teacher, Mrs Stock, and some of the Jersey Music Service brass and woodwind teachers. They sounded fabulous!



Instrumental Lessons

Please be aware that Polyphony music lessons have now ended for the Autumn term. Details of lessons for the Spring term will be available during the first week of next term and lessons will commence the week beginning 13th January. Please contact Emily De Gruchy, Polyphony administrator, at Emily.deGruchy@jcgfoundation.com with any queries.

There are two places still available in Ukulele club on Mondays from 3-4pm for the Spring term. Please sign up using the link below to avoid disappointment. If you have already completed a form, Mrs Tieppo will contact you next week to confirm your child's place. Places are allocated on a first come first served basis. **[Ukulele Club Link](#)**

Please note that there are no music clubs running during the last week of term.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lucy (6P) who has passed her Grade 1 clarinet with distinction. A fabulous achievement, well done!



Year 6

Singing at the Soup Kitchen



On Tuesday the Year 6 children brightened up a wet morning in the Royal Square with their lovely singing, which included songs from the Carol service as well as some good old Christmas favourites. It was great fun and there was a wonderful festive atmosphere, and we were happy as always to give our support to the Jersey Shelter Trust.

Thank you to all who came to support us.



SPORT



Clubs & Fixtures Next Week

Monday 16th

Year 6 Netball A & C Match v Grouville	Pickup 16.30	Home
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Reminder

JCP Year 6 A and C teams have their final games of this term next week, at home against Grouville.

There is no training for the B Team, in line with other clubs.

Netball



Helvetia travelled to JCP on Monday for our Year 6 Netball matches. The weather held off until just after our warm up, but fortunately moved through quickly so we could play.

The A Team played a thrilling match that ended in a 2-2 draw. The drizzle made the ball a bit slippery, but both teams adapted well and kept moving the ball from end to end. Our passing through the centre court continues to improve, creating some good attacking chances, but both teams struggled to score in the challenging conditions. Our defenders were consistently strong, with excellent interceptions and repeatedly turning the ball over to prevent Helvetia from scoring.

A fantastic game, with a fair result!

Final score: 2-2 draw

Player of the Match: Jasmine





The B Team game ended up as a low scoring affair, with neither team managing to find their target, despite repeated chances. JCP found it difficult to adapt to the conditions in the first half, but came back stronger in the second half with some excellent linking play.

Well done everyone!

Final score: 0-0 draw

Player of the Match: Lauren



Football



On Wednesday, 2 JCP football teams took part in their final football fixtures of this term, playing against St Clements school. Both games were well contested, and were played in good spirit and with great enthusiasm.

The A team game was a fairly even game, despite the score line suggesting otherwise. Both teams played some excellent football and there were some excellent individual skills on display. Both teams attacked really well and created numerous scoring opportunities, however St Clement were able to capitalise on their chances more successfully than JCP. Eliana Scored JCP's only goal of the game in the first half, levelling the score shortly after St Clement took the lead. The game finished 5-1 to St Clement, Although this score Was not a true reflection of the game.

Well done to Eliana, who was named player of the match for this game.



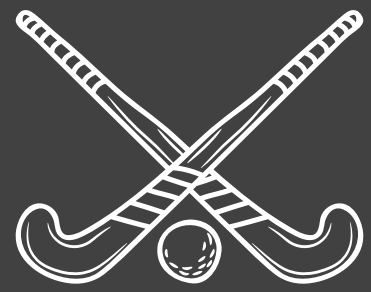


The B team game was also a very even game. It was a game where both teams battled well for possession of the ball, however, found it difficult to keep the ball and create many opportunities to score. JCP seemed to create the better scoring opportunities of the two teams, but found it difficult to find a way past the St Clement goalkeeper. It was an entertaining game to watch and the children played really well as a team.

Well done to Emilia, who was named player of the match for this game.



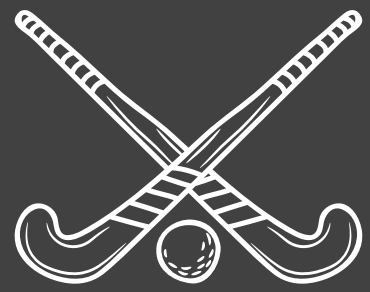
Hockey



On Thursday, Year 6 took part in their first ever House Hockey Tournament. The teams were excited to put the skills that they had learned into practice and improve their understanding of Hockey. For many of the pupils this was their first ever Hockey match and they all played with determination and enthusiasm.

The tournament was a close one, with all teams winning at least one game. The final results came down to a count back for both third and fourth place, as well as first and second place.





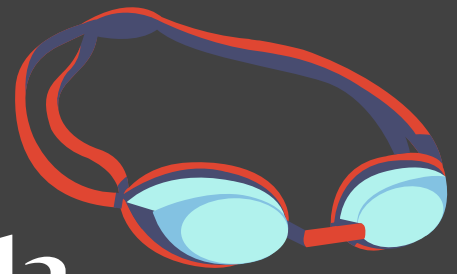
Final results:

1st place - Grandin
2nd place - Gilbert
3rd place - Du Pre
4th place - Grandin

Well done everyone, and a special thanks goes to Dan Wilson from Jersey Hockey for helping with the event.



Year 3 Swimming Gala



Last Friday, Year 3 took part in their annual House Swimming Gala at Langford. It was the children's first JCP swimming gala and they really enjoyed the experience. It was a fantastic afternoon full of great swimming, fun, enthusiasm and House spirit. There was some fantastic swimming on display and lots of the races were very closely contested. Well done to all those that took part, you were brilliant all afternoon. It was also fantastic to see so many parents and family members there to watch and support.

The final scores were very close, but the winners of the Year 3 Swimming Gala were Gilbert with 58 points. The results from the year 3 & 4 swimming galas have been combined, resulting in a lower Key Stage 2 winner. The winner of the Lower Key Stage 2 swimming gala trophy 2024 is ...**Gilbert.**





Pamela Cookey Netball Masterclass

The Jersey Netball Association are excited to announce that Ex England Captain Pamela Cookey is coming to Jersey as part of the JNA's 80th year celebrations.

Not only was Pamela a former England captain she also has 114 caps, 7 NSL seasons, as well as 4 world cups and Commonwealth Games under her belt. She is currently a Sky Sports and BBC Sports broadcaster.

Whilst in Jersey Pamela will be delivering some masterclasses. They will be tailored for player development, delivering defensive/midcourt/attacking focused sessions. They will provide players with the attention and support they need to develop their game in these specific areas. Working towards having greater knowledge of what is expected in their position and what others might be looking for such as coaches and selectors.

The Masterclass for **Year 6** will take place on **Saturday 4th January** from **9.30am-11.30pm**. Each session is 2 hours long, costs £30.00 and is only available for 30 participants per session. The sessions are open to all players, regardless of ability, with space being allocated on a first come/first serve basis. The sessions will fill up very quickly so please sign up using the link below if you are interested.

[Pamela Cookey Netball Masterclass Signup](#)

Children and Families Hub

Courses for Parents

The Children and Families Hub would like to share with you, their new **live timetable of courses for parents and carers** for Spring 2025.

Courses range from parental wellbeing to support with ADHD and autism. Some of the courses are delivered online and others face to face in the evening or daytime (subject to requirements).

If you would like to view the courses on offer, please use the above link which is kept up to date, click on the tiles to learn more about the courses and to see when they are available.

If you require any further information or would like to register for any of the courses, you can do this by emailing the **childrenandfamilieshub@gov.je** or by calling 519000. When registering your interest, please provide your name, contact number, email address and child's date of birth.



Little Leopards will be **closed** on the last day of term, **Thursday 19th December.**

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and greatly appreciate your understanding and support. Our team is dedicated to providing your children with a safe and enjoyable after-school provision.

Thank you for all your support during the Autumn Term.