

14th March 2025

# Weekly Newsletter

## **Upcoming Dates**



#### March

18th Year 6 De Putron Challenge, 08.30-12.30, Royal Jersey Showground

19th Spring Music Concert, 18.00, JCG School Hall 19th School Council Network Meeting, Highlands College 21st Swimarathon, Les Quennevais, 8.30-12.00

21st Red Nose Day & World Down Syndrome Day - Non uniform, wear something red & funky socks

25th Year 5 Swimming Gala, 13.10-14.30, Langford 27th Year 6 Madeira Junior Ballet Visit, 12.30-14.30, Arts Centre

28th Mother's Day Reception Assembly, 14.00, Hall

28th Year 3 visit to the MAPS Exhibition at Capital House 31st Parent Teacher Consultations, 15.00-18.00



### **April**

1st Year 4 Visit to Mont Orgueil Castle 1st Year 2 & Year 6 visit to VCP for Year 6's Production of 'Wind in the Willows', 12.45-14.45

### 1st PTA Meeting, 18.30, Meeting Room

2nd PTA Cake Sale
3rd Year 6 Swimming Gala, 13.10-14.30, Langford
3rd Parent Teacher Consultations, 17.00-19.00
4th End of Spring Term
22nd Staff INSET day - school closed to pupils
23rd Summer Term Starts
30th JCP Open Day, 16.00-18.30

### May

5th Public Holiday - school closed
8th JCP Liberation Celebrations
9th Liberation Day - school closed
15th Year 4 Assembly, 14.00-14.45, School Hall
15th Year 5 Theatre Workshop, Les Quennevais
18th JCP & VCP PTA Fun Run/Walk, 13.30-15.00, Les
Quennevais
22nd Year 3 Assembly, 14.00-14.45, School Hall
26th Public Holiday - school closed
27th - 30th Half Term Break

#### \*Date change

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

# Headteacher's Message

It has been, as always, a wonderfully busy here at JCP!

Firstly, a massive congratulations to our students in Years 3, 4, and 5 for their outstanding performance at the French Eisteddfod last week! They returned with a huge haul of shields and trophies, showcasing their talent. Today, we were treated to their winning poems and songs during assembly, and I must say, their performances were wonderful.

We've also had a host of visitors this week. Year 2 participated in an important NSPCC workshop about speaking out and staying safe, while Year 6 had a thought-provoking assembly with JCG on International Women's Day. Reverend Sandow spent a delightful afternoon with Year 5, sharing stories.

# Headteacher's Message

Our Senior Choir had the privilege of a masterclass workshop with the celebrated singer Suzi Digby. The children gained so much from the experience.

On Monday afternoon, the entire school from Year 2 upwards gathered in the JCG Hall for our House Music finale. The Hall was filled with wonderful singing and instrumental performances from our talented students.

Additionally, I had the privilege of attending the Commonwealth Essay event on Tuesday evening. It was a joy to celebrate our former Year 6 students who won prizes in the international competition. It was lovely to hear about their new adventures in secondary school and to see how they've grown.

Thank you

Mrs Precious

### **Parent Teacher Consultations**

Parent Teacher Consultations are being held in your child's classroom on the following dates:

Monday 31st March 15.00-18.00 Thursday 3rd April 17.00-19.00

A letter with a booking link will be emailed to you on Monday and appointments will be available to book from 18.00 that day until midnight on Thursday 27th March.



### **School Notices**

### **Bus Bay Parking**

We would like to remind parents that if you do use the bus bays for parking that your car must be moved from this area by 3.15pm in order for the buses to park up.



### **Donations**

A big thank you from Year 1 for all of your generous donations for our castle building. We have a 'mountain' of boxes etc. and no longer need any more resources.





### Friday 21 March

Non-uniform

Proce, this year we want to...

Tell a joke to make us laugh giant 'red' nose with coins

Please donate whatever you can to support us in raising money



On Friday we will be recognising both Red Nose Day and World Down Syndrome Day. Children can come to school in non uniform, wear something red and their brightest socks!



**World Down Syndrome Day** 

WEAR YOUR BRIGHTEST. BOLDEST, OR FUNKIEST **SOCKS FOR WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY!** 

# World Book Day Fun































# Look Who Got Caught

# Reading... in an unusual place!



Having enjoyed a day celebrating books on World Book Day, we are launching a competition. In assembly, we saw photos of some children reading in rather unusual (but safe) places! We would like you to photograph yourself reading in an unusual place. Alongside your photograph, please tell us the name of the book you are reading and what you enjoyed most about it! Ensure you tell us your name and class. Winners of the 'most unusual reading place' photograph will be announced in assembly on the last day of term.

Entries in by Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April to:

g.killick@jcp.sch.je

p.james@jcp.sch.je

## Arts & Craft Eisteddfod

We are very proud of our entries in the Arts and Craft section at the Eisteddfod. The exhibition is on this weekend at the RJA&HS in Trinity and is open to the public if you wish to go and have a look at our creativity on show!

Congratulations to Trisha in Year 6 who has been awarded the Georgian Trophy for

Ceramics.





## **Primary Schools Handwriting**

Once again JCP has swept the board this year, claiming all four Primary Schools Handwriting trophies!

JCP has, for the ninth consecutive year, again won the Centenary Award for Handwriting, for the school submitting the best overall set of entries (two platinum, three gold, eleven silver and four bronze certificates) in the Handwriting & Calligraphy Section of the Jersey Eisteddfod Creative Arts Festival 2025.

In addition, **Sofia-Rose (6P)** has received one of only two platinum certificates awarded this year and has also won the Dean of Jersey Handwriting Trophy for the best overall entrant across the entire section. **Zara (6P)** has been awarded a silver certificate and the Aidan Smith Trophy for the best and most appropriately decorated piece of work, with **Zahra (2C)** receiving a gold certificate and the Amyson Cup for the best work submitted by a younger (under 9 years) entrant.



Are you interested in helping with our Summer Fayre this year?

Come along to our next PTA meeting dedicated to the planning of the Summer Fayre on Tuesday 1st April 2025 at 6.30pm at JCP to find out more!

#### We need help with:

- Stalls
- Setting up / packing down
- Donations
- Organisation

For more information contact: jcpreppta@outlook.com

The PTA Summer Fayre will return on Friday 13th June. This year it will run from the slightly later start time of 1pm and finish around 3:30pm.

It will be held on the school grounds. School will finish at Ipm to allow parents, children and staff the opportunity to join in with all the different stalls and activities that will be on offer during the afternoon. More information will follow from the PTA soon. In the meantime, please do volunteer if you can.



### Monday

Ukulele	15.00-16.00	Garden Chalet

### Tuesday

String Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room
Senior Choir (Year 5 & 6)	15.00-16.00	Hall

### Wednesday

Wind Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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\*Please note there will be no Junior Choir on Thursday, or Orchestra and Signing Choir taking place next week.





**Key Stage 2 House Music** 

This week has been very exiting with the finale of House Music on Monday. Congratulations to everyone in Years 3 to 6 for participating and well done to Le Sueur who won the House Choir competition, and Du Pré who were the overall winner of House Music this year. The House points totals were:

**Du Pre - 175** 

**Le Sueur – 165** 

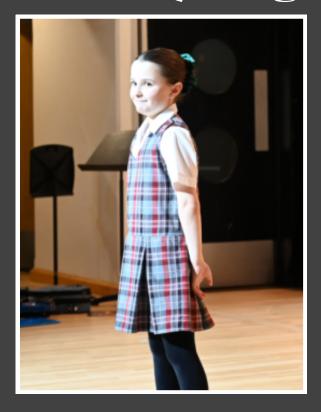
Grandin - 141

Gilbert – 110

Special thanks to our adjudicators, Mrs Allman and Miss Millow, and our brilliant Year 6 Music Leaders; Jess, Elizabeth G, Alice H, Liliana, Rose S, Sophie, Maddie, and to also Alice F who joined with Maddie this term to help lead the Grandin Choir.

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# Key Stage 2 House Music



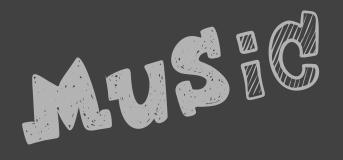












## Senior Choir Workshop with Suzi Digby OBE

Senior Choir were privileged to work with visiting International Musician, Choral Director and Conductor, Suzi Digby OBE, who led a brilliant choral workshop on Wednesday afternoon. It was an amazing learning opportunity for everyone, and included coaching in conducting, as well as some fun exercises and technical guidance.

Suzy Digby will be visiting Jersey again in May when she performs in the Island's Liberation Festival. Suzi has sung with the Rolling Stones at Glastonbury and used to teach Rita Ora!



# JCP Spring Music Concert Wednesday 19th March at JCG, 6pm

We are looking forward to our Spring Concert on Wednesday 19th March at 6pm in the JCG School Hall. All are welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing many of you there. I would like to encourage anyone interested in seeing our musical talent and the opportunities available at JCP, and particularly those in Year 2 who will be moving Key Stage 2 in September.

All our music ensembles and choirs will be performing, along with some Year 6 soloists. We are also looking forward to welcome the VCP Senior Choir who will be joining our Senior Choir to sing two songs. I anticipate the concert will end at approximately 7.15pm. Parking will be available at JCG. Please car share where possible.



# SPONION Clubs & Fixtures

### **Monday 17th March**

Year 3 & 4 Football Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 6 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball court
Netball A Team Fixture v Les Landes		Home
Netball B Team Fixture VCELLED Les Landes		Home
Netball C Team Fixture v Grands Vaux		Away

### Tuesday 18th March

Year 2 Dodgeball	12.00-12.30	Hall
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### Wednesday 19th March

Year 3 & 4 Just Dance Club	12.30-12.55	Hall
Year 5 & 6 Football Club	15.00-16.15	Heathfield
Year 5 & 6 Hockey Club	15.00-16.20	Astro

### Thursday 20th March

Year 2 Football Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 5 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball Court



Saturday 29th March	Netball A Team Tournament	Les Ormes 16.00-18.00
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## Year 6 Netball Tournament



Last Friday, our Year 6 A Team had their annual tournament. This is always a competitive event, with schools selecting their strongest teams to compete for the winners' trophy. JCP were positive but apprehensive, following a few last minute injuries and changes to the team. We didn't have any time to ease into it, however, playing Beaulieu, the eventual winners, in the first match.

The team were determined to shake off that heavy loss and went into the remaining matches with determination and positivity. In what turned out to be an extremely high standard event, they managed to win 2 games, draw 2 games and lost the remaining 3. All remaining games were much closer, and could have gone either way in the short time allowed for each match. The players showed excellent sportsmanship and support for each other, and we are so proud of them for their efforts on the day.

An extra special congratulations for our players of the tournament Jasmine, who worked tirelessly in Centre and really showed how hard she has been working lately, and Orla, who has blown us away with the improvement that she has made in the last term.

### Well done both!



### **Netball**



### **A Team**

Our A Team went into this game, knowing that it would be a tough match, as St Michael's are in tight contention for the A league title. However, JCP have seen significant improvement over the last few weeks, and are really starting to work well as a team. Unfortunately, niggling injuries meant our team moved around a bit and had to constantly try to adjust to the rapid pace of the game. The first third was a shock, going down 8-1 and finding it very difficult to prevent St Michael's from driving up the court. JCP managed to keep the score closer in the remaining thirds, but couldn't stop St Michael's from taking a deserved win.

Great effort everyone!

Final score: 15-4 win to St Michael's

Players of the match: Jasmine and Elizabeth

### Netball



### **B** Team

The netball match between JCP B Team and St Michael's B Team was a tough contest, with JCP ultimately suffering a 19-0 loss. Despite the challenging score, JCP B Team showed brilliant effort throughout the entire match. The players displayed impressive determination and resilience, constantly pushing themselves even when the game seemed out of reach. While it was a hard-fought game, JCP B Team have come away with some valuable lessons from the match, including areas to work on in training.

Final score: 19-0 win to St Michael's

Players of the match: Lucy and Jess L

### **Netball**



### **C** Team

On Monday, the C Netball team played a league match against FCJ. It was a well contested game, with both teams playing some good Netball. The game started fast, with JCP opening the scoring early on. The first period of the game was end-to-end, with JCP leading 3-2 at the end of it. After the re-start, both defences came out strong, with FCJ scoring right at the end of the second period. In the third period of the game, the FCJ shooters really found their range, and unfortunately JCP weren't able to capatalise on their opportunities to score, even though the game was fairly evenly played throughout.

Final score: 3-2 win to JCP
Player of the match: Alice H-S



### Jersey Netball Association



It has been fantastic to see so many pupils across the school enjoying their netball this year, and we would encourage anyone who has shown an interest to continue their netball journey with the Jersey Netball Association. They have a variety of opportunities for pupils in Year 1 to Year 6, including Easter Netball camps and Summer term after school Netball so please check it out and sign up.



# Primary School Open Cross Country



Last week, 56 pupils from Year 5 and 6 took part in the biggest event in the Primary School calendar, the Primary School's Open Cross Country at Les Quennevais. In glorious sun, our runners really showed what they can do and the results that we received this week proved it. This is both an individual event, with runners pushing hard to achieve their personal goals, as well as a team event. The first 4 runners in each year group gain points for their school to go towards the team event.

Our Year 5 team are Island champions for the second event in a row, whilst our Year 6 team took an amazing 2nd place.

### Year 5 team (top 4 finishers): Year 6 team (top 4 finishers):

Milleigh M - 1st place
Bella E - 8th place
Poppy C - 11th place
Hattie P - 15th
1st place overall

Zara W - 12th place
Elizabeth C - 15th place
Emily V - 17th place
Jasmine A - 19th place
2nd place overall

Well done to everybody who took part and achieved your goal in this fantastic event.

















