

15th November 2024

## Weekly Newsletter

#### **Upcoming Dates**

#### **November**

#### 19th School Council Network Meeting, Highlands Year 5 & 6

21st Year 5 Assembly, 14.00, Hall

25th Year 2 Recycling Centre Trip

25th, 26th & 27th Reception Vision Screenings

27th Year 4 Swimming Gala, 13.10-14.15, Langford

29th PTA Movie Night Year 1-6, 15.00-17.00

#### **December**

2nd 4J Flute Concert, 9.30, Music Room

3rd Key Stage 2 Carol Service, 18.00, Methodist Church

4th Reception Performance, "The Nativity", 13.30, Hall

5th Reception Performance, "The Nativity", 9.15, Hall

6th Year 3 Swimming Gala, 13.10-14.15, Langford

6th 4L Flute Concert, 9.30, Music Room

11th Year 2 "I'm Gonna Shine" Production, 13.30, Hall

11th Year 5 Victorian Day

12th Year 2 "I'm Gonna Shine" Production, 9.00, Hall

13th Christmas Jumper Day

13th Pupil Christmas Lunch at JCG - information to follow

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

### Headteacher's Message

A big thank you to all the parents for your support during our Children in Need celebrations this week. The children had so much fun with the activities throughout the day, and they looked fantastic in their spotty clothes! We're still counting the funds raised, but we'll announce the total in next week's newsletter.

Year 6 have also been busy, and we are proud to share that they received high praise for their efforts during the Safety in Action workshops. They were the top scorers in both the Fire and Kitchen workshops, and they've won the overall trophy cup for the highest score across the entire event. Well done, Year 6!

In other exciting news, both our Junior and Senior Choirs competed in the Eisteddfod this week, along with many of our talented individual musicians. We're incredibly proud of everyone who took part.

Finally, this week saw the Reception ballot for 2026 take place. We know how nervewracking it can be to wait for a place, so if you know any families who missed out on the ballot, please encourage them to sign up for the waiting list. There may still be opportunities for a place if spaces become available.

Thank you

Mrs Precious

# PTA THANK POÜ!

We would like to express our gratitude and share the success of our recent fundraising efforts, which wouldn't have been possible without the support and enthusiasm of our school community.

Thanks to the hard work and generosity of parents, we have raised £900 from cake sales, along with additional funds from tea towel sales (total amount still to be confirmed). These efforts have made a significant impact, helping the school to secure new VU loggers valued at £1,700 and new speakers costing £1,232. The new equipment will be used for a variety of school events, including sports days, swimming galas, summer fetes, and other celebrations that bring our school community together.

A huge thank you to all the parents who contributed by baking, volunteering, and encouraging their children to participate. Your dedication has not only provided valuable resources for the school but also enriched the school experience for all our children.

Your continued support adds such value to our school and strengthens the bond within our community.

With heartfelt appreciation, JCP PTA



#### JCP 'Shelter Trust' Christmas Tree





Thank you so much for donating your spare tins of food to help JCP School to build our 'Shelter Trust' Christmas Tree! We still need your help to collect as many tins as possible by Thursday 5th December - so please have a look in your kitchen cupboards or if you are out shopping - please pick up an extra tin!

After the Christmas tree has been displayed at the St Peter's Church Christmas Tree Festival between 7th -18th December - we will deliver all of the tins to the Shelter Trust team in St Helier to help them to feed the homeless community in Jersey this Christmas!

Mrs Christopher & The JCP School Eco Team



#### Classroom Clues



Peter Mac from Channel 103 joined us this week to record some classroom clues with some of the children.

Listen to Channel 103 and play along between 7:40 am and just before 8 am each morning. A child from one of the island's schools describes something using just three clues.

Sienna (2T) will be saying the clues on Friday 22nd November and Evelyn's (1C) clues will be on Monday 25th November!

Follow the below link to check who's on when.

#### **Classroom Clues Schedule**



Recently, 4L were treated to a theatre workshop of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by the Jersey Arts Centre. The class had lots of fun acting out characters from the book and conducting freeze frames of different scenes.





## Clubs Next Week

#### Monday

Ukulele	15.00-16.00	Foyer
	13.00-10.00	1 O y <del>C</del> 1

#### Tuesday

String Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room
Senior Choir	15.00-16.00	Hall

#### Wednesday

Wind Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room

#### Thursday

Junior Choir	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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#### Friday

Orchestra	8.00-8.45	Music Room
Signing Choir	12.30-12.55	Music Room

#### **Music Eisteddfod**



This week the Music Eisteddfod has been taking place at various venues around island. It has been a great week for the school choirs and orchestra, who all performed incredibly well in their various classes.

Yesterday the **Senior choir** sang two contrasting songs in the Under 11 Years Primary Choir section at the Methodist church and were awarded a Gold Certificate. There were six choirs performing, and we were only one mark behind the winning choir, Helvetia, so it was a very close contest. The adjudicator noted their 'very good choral sound, clear and expressive words and well managed part singing with expressive louds and softs'. I was very pleased with their performance, they were a real credit to the school, and must I commend them on their consistent hard work, dedication and enthusiasm they give every week.



Big congratulations to the **Junior Choir** who performed two songs at the Eisteddfod this morning and won the Dean Goss Trophy. They gave a superb performance and were awarded a gold Certificate with some excellent comments from the adjudicator.

The school **Orchestra** also gave an excellent performance this morning and played incredibly well, also achieving a gold certificate and some very complimentary comments.



I am aware that many of our pupils have performed solos, or played in ensembles outside of school, so please do email me at <u>j.tieppo@jcp.sc.je</u> if you would like their Eisteddfod achievements to be celebrated in next week's newsletter.



## POSSIPHONI

We are excited to share that we have availability for music lessons in strings, woodwinds, and piano for Spring 2025! Whether your child is just starting out or looking to enhance their skills, our experienced instructors are ready to support them on their musical journey.

Learning an instrument offers numerous benefits, from boosting cognitive skills to fostering creativity and self-discipline. We believe every student can find joy in music, and we're excited to help them explore their potential.

To register, please fill out the attached registration form. We'll do our best to accommodate all requests and will notify you as soon as possible about scheduling.

#### <u>Polyphony Application Form</u>

Thank you for your continued support in nurturing a love for music in our community. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.



#### **Clubs & Fixtures Next Week**

#### **Monday 18th**

Year 3 Fitness Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 6 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball court

#### Tuesday 19th

Year 2 Just Dance	12.00-12.30	Hall

#### Wednesday 20th

Year 4 Netball Club	12.00-12.30	Netball Court
Year 5&6 Football Club	15.00-16.15	Heathfield
Year 5&6 Hockey Club	15.00-16.15	Astro

#### Thursday 21st

Year 2 Football Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball Court
Year 5 Netball A & B v Trinity		Home

## SPORT



#### **Badminton Festival**

This week, 14 pupils from Year 6 took part in their first ever Badminton Festival. It was a fast-paced, fun event and all of the team enjoyed the opportunity to play some badminton and improve their skills. JCP entered 3 teams, with each pupil playing against a person from at least 5 other schools.

Badminton is very new for most of our pupils, and we used this fun, festival format to try out the sport and hopefully encourage the pupils to play badminton more regularly.

It was fantastic to see the consistently positive attitudes from all of our pupils, as well as how much they improved both their skills and understanding by the end of the festival.

Well done everyone!

















#### Netball



On Monday the Year 6 A team and B team travelled to St Martin's School for what turned out to be 2 fantastic Netball matches.

The A team dominated from early on, with strong attacking play and confident shooting resulting in an early lead. St Martin didn't make it easy for JCP though, and some strong defending down the centre of the court meant that there was a lot of back and forward in the centre third. JCP responded well and came away with a close 3-2 win.

Player of the Match: Orla

The B team used this match to show how hard they have all been working on their understanding of different positions. Improved movement of the ball meant that our shooters had a number of opportunities and were able to take the lead early on in the game. Rotating players to ensure everyone gets a game can be difficult in some matches, but the B team took it in their stride and worked hard in whichever position they were asked to play. They came away with a convincing 5-1 win. Well done everyone!

Player of the Match: Jess M

#### **Netball**



On Monday, the Netball C team played their first home league game of the season, against FCJ. It was a very closely fought game, which had plenty of competitive spirit about it. JCP had a fairly slow start to the match, and found themselves 3-0 down after the first third of the game. As the game progressed, the team gained in confidence, and they started to pass the ball down the court more effectively. At the end of the second third of the game, JCP found themselves a further goal behind, however they had defended well against an organised team. The final third of the game saw JCP flourish, with 2 goals being scored by Sophie and no goals being conceded. The game therefore finished 4-2 to FCJ, however JCP were definitely building momentum at the end of the game.

Well done to Lucy who was nominated player of the

match.





#### **Football**



On Thursday, a team of Year 5 & 6 footballers took part in a match against Plat Douet. It was the first time this particular group of players had played together, and they played brilliantly. The game started slowly, with our players getting used to each other and their surroundings. The team absorbed a lot of pressure early on, but about 8 minutes into the match, Bella scored a cracking goal, lobbing the defender to kick the ball into an empty net. The middle section of the game was evenly matched, however Plat Douet pulled a goal back. JCP were fairly dominant towards the end of the game, and were really pushing for a winning goal, which came two minutes from the end, thanks to an amazing solo run and shot from Eliana.

A special mention also goes to Orla, who played really well in goal.









## Baking for a Cause

Harper, in 4J, has been busy baking for her honesty box. She has already raised over £200 for her chosen charity JSPCA! Well done, Harper! Fantastic entrepreneurial fundraising - we are very proud of all you efforts. If you wish to contribute to Harper's cause, please click on the following link and try out her tasty treats!

Click here to Donate to Harper's Fundraiser



