



JERSEY
COLLEGE
Prep

19th December 2024

Weekly Newsletter

Upcoming Dates



January

6th Start of Term

24th PTA Crazy Hair Day

27th Child Measurement Programme - Reception

29th Child Measurement Programme - Reception

30th Child Measurement Programme - Year 6

February

6th Year 1 Assembly, 14.00, Hall

11th Class/Year & Group School Photographs

17th-21st Half Term

24th Year 5 States Chamber Visit

***Date change**

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



Headteacher's Message

As we reach the end of what has been another busy and eventful term, I would like to take a moment to reflect on all we have achieved together. It has been a term filled with hard work, learning, and, of course, plenty of fun along the way! From exciting whole school trips to the zoo to festive celebrations, it has been wonderful to see our children grow and thrive.

A special thank you to all of our parents and carers for your ongoing support. Your involvement makes such a difference to the success of our school community, and we are truly grateful. Also thank you for your generous donations of food for our Christmas party. It was a lovely way to end the term, but the highlight for many of the children was the surprise visit from Father Christmas, which caused much excitement!





As often happens at the end of a term, staff move onto pastures new or in some cases pastures old. Mrs Pangali will return to St George's after the Christmas break, we wish her well and thank her for all of her hard work.

As we head into the festive break, I want to wish all of our families a very Merry Christmas and a restful holiday. I hope that you enjoy some quality time together and that the new year brings you all joy and good health.

★ We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 6th January, ready to start the new term.

**Thank you
Mrs Precious**





Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day



Last week we raised £543 for Save
the Children on our Christmas
Jumper Day.

Thank you as always for your
kindness and generosity.





*Thank
you!*

Message from Mustard Seed Jersey

THANK YOU SO MUCH for supporting Mustard Seed Jersey's Christmas shoebox appeal.

We are delighted to tell you that 2342 shoeboxes have arrived safely in Romania and distribution is underway.

1164 Ukraine shoeboxes are en route to Ukraine. They should arrive in good time as they follow the orthodox calendar in Ukraine so celebrate Christmas early in January.

Your generosity made over 3500 Christmas shoeboxes possible this year; this total is distinctly higher than our average over the last 10+ years.

We have also been able to send funds to purchase food, bread, winter fuel. All this along with the Christmas shoeboxes makes a huge difference.

Thank you once again for the generosity that has been shown.



Christmas Party Day

We had an incredible Christmas party day on Thursday, filled with joy, laughter, dancing and singing. From disco fun to exciting games and a delicious spread of food at lunchtime



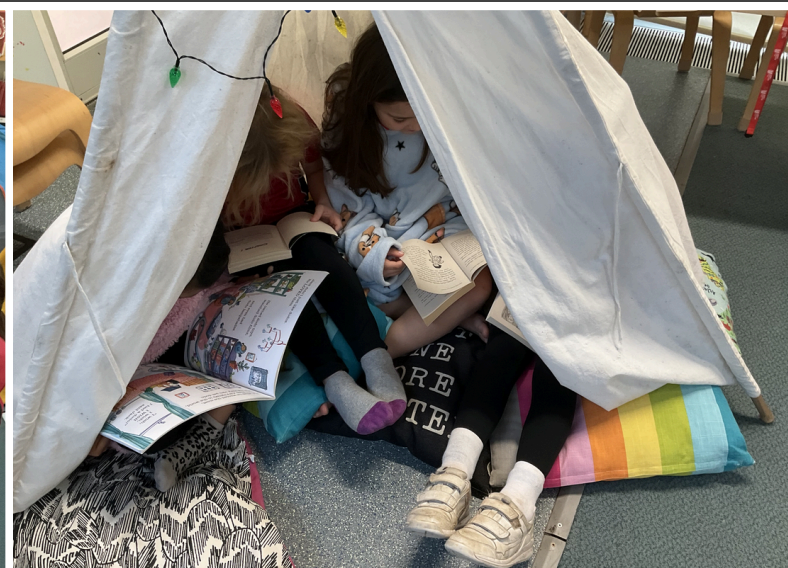




Year 3 have had a festive week, spreading goodwill and Christmas cheer to residents of Clifton Care Home, delivering handmade cards and singing some Christmas songs.

We also had a festive 'Read -in' where the children chose a book for a secret buddy to share in class in our reading tents.

We also put the finishing touches to our coral sculptures as part of our MAPS partnership, organised in junction with ArtHouse Jersey. These will be displayed as a large-scale sculpture in March, which our resident artist Gigi Cook will construct.



Year 6 Journalist's Autumn Term Newsletter

Our Year 6 journalists have been very busy creating their newsletter and are proud to be able to share this with you.

Please click [here](#) to take a look!



Music

Clubs Next Term

Monday

Ukulele - from 13th January	15.00-16.00	Garden Chalet
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Tuesday

String Ensemble - from 13th January	12.30-12.55	Music Room
Senior Choir	15.00-16.00	Hall

Wednesday

Wind Ensemble - from 13th January	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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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



This morning started in a lovely festive way with members of Senior Choir singing at the top waiting circle to children and parents arriving at school, complete with Mr Timlin and Mrs Gray dancing and jingling to the Christmas songs.



Instrumental Lessons Spring Term 2025

Polyphony instrumental lessons will commence the week beginning 13th January. Please contact Emily De Gruchy, Polyphony administrator, at Emily.deGruchy@jcgfoundation.com with any queries.

Jersey Music Service lessons commence on Tuesday 7th January.

Timetables will be displayed in the Shared areas during the first week of term.

There is one place still available in Ukulele club on Mondays from 3-4pm for the Spring term – please sign up **today** if you wish to register your child. [**Ukulele Sign up Link**](#)

Year 1 – Festive Celebrations

This week has been the turn of Year 1 who did some fabulous singing and poems around the tree on Monday and Tuesday which was thoroughly enjoyed by parents. Songs included a Christmas Conga, as well as some Christmas classics like Away in a Manger and Jingle Bells.

*Thank
you!*

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all parents who have supported the many musical events during this busy term, it really makes such a difference, and is much appreciated.

SPORT

Clubs & Fixtures

Monday 6th

Year 3 & 4 Football Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 6 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball court

Tuesday 7th

Year 2 Dodgeball	12.00-12.30	Hall
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Wednesday 8th

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
ESFA Football Tournament		Away

Thursday 9th

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

SPORT



Netball

On Monday our Year 6 A and C teams played their last Netball matches of the term against Grouville School. Netball will continue for Year 5 and 6 next term and we are looking forward to playing lots of games and continuing to improve.

A Team

We went in to the A Team game seeing it as a good opportunity to try out some new formations in anticipation of next term. At times this showed great promise, but it took a while for our team to settle into their positions. A frustrating result of 7-1 to Grouville, doesn't reflect the potential shown in the match.

Final score: 7-1 to Grouville

Players of the Match: Rosie and Jasmine



C Team

The C Team approached their final game with positivity and determination. A smaller squad allowed the players time to really get to grips with their positions, and the improvement from their first match at the beginning of the term was unbelievable. Confident passing moved the ball into the shooting circle and gave our shooters many opportunities. In the first half they managed to score once, keeping it close going into half time. Grouville came back strong in the second half, but excellent defending in the circle only allowed 1 goal to slip through. Our team, however scored 2 more excellent goals, leading to the win. Well done everyone!

Final score: 3-1 to JCP

Players of the Match: Rose and Lucy

Well done to all of our Netball players this term. You have all worked incredibly hard and we are looking forward to more next term.



A Team



C Team



Cross Country



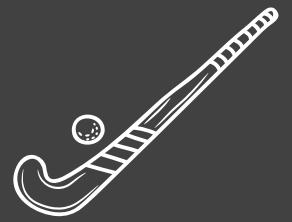
Last weekend, many JCP pupils took part in the second event of the JSAC Ogier Cross Country Series. It was fantastic to see so many of our runners getting involved and having a go. Notable results include Alexandra and Elsie from Year 3 who came first and third respectively in the Under 9 Girls and Millie from Year 5 who came fourth in the U11 Girls.

Well done to everyone who took part. The next event is on Saturday 1st February at Beauport. Please keep an eye out on Facebook - Jersey Spartans to sign up.





Year 5 House Hockey



On Tuesday, Year 5 took part in their first ever House Hockey Tournament. It was the first time that many of the children had played a full 7-a-side game of hockey, and so it was a great opportunity for them to implement the skills they had learnt in their PE lessons. The games were well contested, and there was a lot of well-natured, competitive spirit on display throughout. The children learnt a lot about the rules of hockey, and also about using space to help their team be more successful. Well done to all those that took part.

Congratulations to Du Pre who were the winners of the Year 5 House hockey this year.

Results

1st place - Du Pre

2nd place - Grandin

3rd place - Gilbert

4th place - Le Sueur

Correction: The winner of last weeks Year 6 House Hockey was Le Sueur. Apologies for the error.





Key Stage 2 PE in the Spring Term

In PE during Spring term (January-April) all Key Stage 2 classes will be mixed for their PE lessons. Each year group will do the following:

RED GROUP - Grandin with Gilbert

BLACK GROUP - Le Sueur with Du Pre

We have done this to help develop relationships across the year group, and to allow the pupils the opportunity to get to know others that they may not have previously worked with. We are confident that the pupils will enjoy this experience, and that we will continue to mix the classes into the summer term.

Please ensure that your child has the correct equipment for each lesson (Please see lesson details on the following page):

Swimming:

Plain coloured swimming costume, towel, swimming goggles, House coloured swimming hat

Football:

Red socks, shin pads (no boots required for lessons).

Hockey:

Red socks, shin pads and gum shield (sticks will be provided)

All other sports:

No equipment required

YEAR 3

			Spring 1	Spring 2
RED	Grandin and Gilbert	Monday	Tag Rugby	Badminton
		Friday	Football	Hockey
BLACK	Du Pre and Le Sueur	Monday	Badminton	Tag Rugby
		Friday	Hockey	Football

YEAR 4

			Spring 1	Spring 2
RED	Grandin and Gilbert	Monday	Tag Rugby	Badminton/Cricket
		Wednesday	Football	Hockey
BLACK	Du Pre and Le Sueur	Monday	Badminton/Cricket	Tag Rugby
		Wednesday	Hockey	Football

YEAR 5

			Spring 1	Spring 2
RED	Grandin and Gilbert	Tuesday	Netball	Swimming
		Thursday	Badminton/Squash	Football
BLACK	Du Pre and Le Sueur	Tuesday	Swimming	Netball
		Thursday	Football	Badminton/Squash

YEAR 6

			Spring 1	Spring 2
RED	Grandin and Gilbert	Wednesday	Badminton/Squash	Football
		Thursday	Netball	Swimming
BLACK	Du Pre and Le Sueur	Wednesday	Football	Badminton/Squash
		Thursday	Swimming	Netball