



JERSEY
COLLEGE
Prep

22nd November 2024

Weekly Newsletter

Upcoming Dates



November

25th Year 2 Recycling Centre Trip

25th, 26th & 27th Reception Vision Screenings

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

29th Class Deco Day!

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

9th Reception to St Saviour's Church

10th Year 6 "Singing at the Soup Kitchen", Royal Square

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 (dress down)

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

What a busy and exciting week we've had at school, despite the weather doing its best to disrupt our plans!

★ Year 1 children had a fantastic visit from Durrell Zoo this week, learning all about animal classification. From furry friends to creepy crawlies, they've discovered how to sort the animal kingdom into all its amazing groups.

Earlier this week, our School Council attended an exciting event where they worked with children from other schools to plan the new Millennium Park playground. What they discussed is so top secret that Miss Shingles wasn't even allowed to take photos! We're all looking forward to seeing their plans come to life next year.

Finally, the weather has played havoc with our sporting fixtures this week, but we are working on rearranging all postponed events. Fingers crossed for better conditions next week, and we hope everyone stays safe over the weekend with the forecasted bad weather!

Thank you
Mrs Precious



Student Safety Message

We kindly remind all parents that **children should not be let out of vehicles in the middle of the road** when dropping them off at school. This creates a significant **safety risk** for your child, other students, and drivers.

To ensure everyone's safety:

- Please use the main College car park or the drop-off/pick-up system (if registered with the latter)
- Children must **exit vehicles only when safely parked** and in the appropriate drop-off area.
- **Do not stop in the middle of the road** to let your child out, as this endangers pedestrians and disrupts traffic flow.

We appreciate your attention to this matter and your commitment to keeping all of our students safe.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

School Reminders

Headlice Reminder

We would like to remind all families to regularly check your child's hair for head lice. These checks are essential in preventing the spread of head lice within the school community.

Thank you for your cooperation

Late Arrivals or Appointments

We would like to remind families that if your child is arriving late for any reason or arriving following an appointment, to please come to the office and sign in your child.

PTA Christmas Movie Night



We are really excited to host our movie night on **Friday 29th November** from 3pm-5pm – with a Christmas theme! This event is for Years 1-6. We have chosen the following movies to show:

Year 1 Arthur Christmas (U)

Year 2 Nativity (U)

Year 3+4 Christmas on Mistletoe Farm (U)

Year 5+6 Christmas Chronicles (PG)

We will be serving popcorn and a drink. Pupils are invited to bring a pillow or something cosy and comfortable to sit on. We suggest a donation of £5 for this fun event. Please can any remaining sign up forms be handed in to your child's class teacher **by Wednesday 27th November**. Pick up will be from their usual pick-up point (outside classrooms for KS1 or waiting areas for KS2) at 5pm.

Get your jumper on for



Save the Children



Christmas Jumper Day



We're taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on **Friday 13th December**! By pulling on our Christmassy knits and donating, we'll be supporting children in the UK and around the world to keep safe, healthy, and learning. We'll be helping them fight for the future they deserve. Just click the link below to donate £2 (or more if you're feeling generous...) and it will go straight to Save the Children. We'd appreciate your support to make Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day a success.

There is no need to buy a new jumper, you could just upcycle an old jumper, get crafty, or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit.

Together, we can make the world better with a sweater!

[Christmas Jumper Day Link to Donate](#)

Class Deco Day!

Friday 29th November

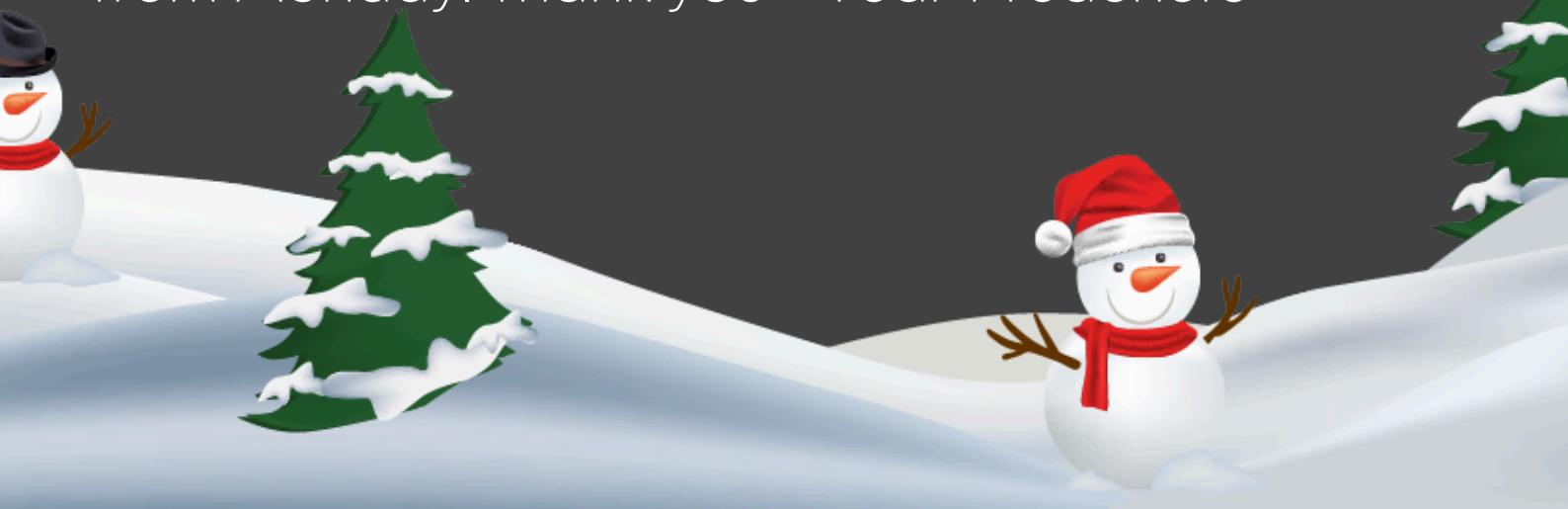
Next **Friday 29th November** pupils will be involved in making their classrooms festive! They are invited to bring a Christmas accessory (hat, headband, etc) to wear with their school uniform on this day.

Year 1 Deco Day Request

In keeping with this year's theme of recycling Year 1 would appreciate:

- Toilet roll card tubes
- Brown cardboard - not too thick as the children need to be able to cut it
- Clean jam jar lids (or similar size)

Resources can come in to any Year 1 classroom from Monday. Thank you - Year 1 Teachers





It was Y4J's turn this week to experience the Charlie and the Chocolate Factory workshop with Victoria ahead of the performance at Jersey Arts Centre in a couple of weeks. They had fun learning an Oompa Loompa dance, identifying Ronald Dahl's characters with freeze frames and performing a short group piece





Year 5 really enjoyed performing their Forces Assembly on Thursday to parents and siblings. The Year 5 teachers were very proud of their clear, loud voices and beautiful singing.





Year 6 were delighted to hear they have won three categories for Safety in Action. They received shields for top scoring school in the Fire Workshop and the Kitchen Workshop. They have also won the trophy cup for top scoring school overall. Mandy Le Tensorer from Safety in Action came to award them their prizes.

Well done Year 6!

Message from Mrs Gray

Whilst attending a Mental Health network meeting this week, I was reminded of a fabulous resource for parents. 'In Our Place' is an online learning portal with fascinating courses for everyone which is free for all parents, carers, grandparents and teens, covering a variety of online courses and are provided in 108 different languages. All courses are dedicated to improving emotional health and wellbeing in parents, children, teenagers, adults, and grandparents and include:

- understanding pregnancy, labour, birth and your baby
- ante-natal and post-natal baby bonding
- understanding your child or young person
- understanding your own personal relationships
- your child or young person with additional needs
- teenager's feelings and brain development
- and lots more specialist courses

To access the online courses, please use the following link **In Our Place** once you are on the site, you will find instructions on how to sign up. All that is required of you is a postal code, entering your personal details is optional. If you are asked for an access code it is: **WELCOME**.

'In Our Place' will compliment, the current courses that are provided each term by the Children and Families Hub, those of which can be found on the website or by viewing the live **courses for parent's timetable**

If you have any questions about any of the above information, or you would like to register for any other courses please email childrenandfamilieshub@gov.je or call 519000.



Clubs Next Week

Monday

Ukulele	15.00-16.00	Garden Chalet
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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
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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

Music

Music Eisteddfod Success

Congratulations to everyone who took part in the Music Eisteddfod last week. Many of our pupils performed in various choirs, orchestras, ensembles, quartets or as soloists. It takes a lot of courage to perform on a stage, and I am so proud of our pupils for participating with such talent, confidence and enjoyment.

Our school entries included the Junior and Senior Choirs and Orchestra who were all awarded Gold certificates, with the Junior Choir winning their class and the Dean Goss Trophy for Primary School Choirs.



Our congratulations also go to the following children for their recent success:

Georgia (2T) - Silver for trombone solo, Silver for musical theatre solo

Emilia (5J) - Gold certificate for piano Solo, a Gold certificate for cello solo, and a Gold certificate for singing a solo from stage, show and film.

Milleigh (5J) – Winner of the Junior Vocal recital and winner of the Junior Duet from stage or film, a Gold certificate for Foreign language solo, a Gold certificate for Folk song solo and a Silver certificate for piano solo.

Madeline (5P) – Winner of the Musical Theatre singing trophy, a Gold certificate for Violin solo, a Silver certificate for violin recital in the under 18's class, and a Silver certificate for piano solo

Elizabeth (6P) - a Silver certificate for flute under 18 years and a Silver certificate and runner up of the class for piano under 14 years

Lucy (6P) - a Silver certificate for her clarinet solo

Jess (6J) – a Gold certificate and runner up of the class for piano solo and a Silver certificate for string solo



Congratulations also to Jess, Madeline, Amelia and Charlotte who performed in the Jersey Academy of Music orchestra and won the Securicor Trophy in their class, and to Madeline who sang in the Jersey Academy of Music choir Chant'tie, winning the Le Maistre Gruchy Shield.

Madeline, Charlotte and Amelia also performed in a Jersey Academy of Music string quartet and were awarded a Silver certificate.

Here are a selection of photos that have been shared this week.



POLYPHONY

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.

[Polyphony Application Form](#)

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 o

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Clubs & Fixtures Next Week

Monday 25th

Year 3 Fitness Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 6 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball court
Netball A & B Match v Beaulieu		Away
Netball C v First Tower School		Home

Tuesday 26th

Year 2 Just Dance	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 5 Netball Match v Frist Tower School		Away

Wednesday 27th

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

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Thursday 28th

Year 2 Football Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball Court
Netball A v St Lawrence		Away



What is it?

HERA Cricket Legacy provides a vibrant space for girls who want to enjoy social and competitive cricket in Jersey. The league features four clubs connected to established clubs on the Island, creating a strong community for young players. Each team will benefit from mentorship by two members of the Women's Squad, along with a dedicated manager and coach from the club.

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CRICKET LEGACY

Exciting News!

Jersey Cricket is thrilled to announce the launch of our brand-new girls' cricket league: HERA Cricket Legacy!

HERA Cricket Legacy is designed to give girls the opportunity to play more cricket, in an environment where teamwork, sportsmanship, and fun take centre stage!

Who Can Join:

Girls aged 8-15 who want to get stuck into their cricket and have fun doing so!



The HERA Girls Cricket Legacy is the first introduction of girls only club cricket to Jersey. It is designed to be inclusive to all and is open to girls aged 8-15 years old of any cricket experience. The sessions will be run by qualified Jersey Cricket coaches with support from the local club.

You can find out more information regarding training opportunities and sign up via the RaceNation page link below:

[RaceNation Link](#)



We have limited spaces available on Fridays in the Spring and Summer terms, for our after-school care provision, Little Leopards.

At Little Leopards, we have a simple vision; to create a home from home environment where your child will be actively engaged in a range of stimulating and creative activities led by our qualified team. Learning and play will be led by the children's interests and curiosities using both indoor and outdoor experiences. This includes quiet activities, creative play, music, outdoor play, and more.

If you are interested, please email [**a.lelievre@jcgfoundation.com**](mailto:a.lelievre@jcgfoundation.com) to register.