

31st January 2025

Weekly Newsletter

Upcoming Dates



February

6th Year 1 Assembly, 14.00, Hall

7th 'Dress for Joy Day' for Children's Mental Health Week

11th Class/Year & Group School Photographs

17th-21st Half Term Break

24th Year 5 States Chamber Visit

~~26th PTA Bingo~~ *Postponed, New Date TBA

March

1st Second Hand Uniform Sale, 9.30-11.30, School Foyer

3rd Second Hand Uniform Sale, 14.30-15.15, School Foyer

3rd-7th House Music Week

5th Year 5 & 6 Open Cross Country, Les Quennevais

6th World Book Day

10th House Choir Finals

12th PTA Meeting, 18.30, Meeting Room

14th Red Nose Day

19th Spring Music Concert, 18.00, JCG School Hall

21st Swimathon, Les Quennevais

25th Year 5 Swimming Gala, 13.00, Langford

27th Mother's Day Reception Assembly, 14.00, Hall

31st Parent Teacher Consultations, 15.00-18.00



April

1st Year 4 Visit to Mont Orgueil Castle

2nd PTA Cake Sale

3rd Year 6 Swimming Gala, 13.00, 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

*Date change

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

Headteacher's Message

Today, we have kicked off our Mental Health and Wellbeing Week with a fantastic whole school assembly led by Mrs Gray. There are lots of exciting activities planned throughout the week to help our children learn about the importance of looking after their mental and emotional health. We are particularly looking forward to seeing how everyone dresses for joy next Friday as we come together to celebrate the conclusion of this special event.

Year 3 had an unforgettable Egyptian Day, despite the unpredictable weather! They enjoyed exciting investigations, a bit of messy craft-making, and even some food tasting sessions that were as educational as they were fun.

Our Reception children have been making the most of our new field during Forest School time. They've been running, jumping, skipping, rolling and just enjoying the huge space. Their huge smiles and rosy cheeks have already demonstrated to us all how wonderful this new space will be for all of our children.

Thank you
Mrs Precious

**CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK**

**3-9
FEB
2025**

REMINDER

DRESS FOR JOY

FRIDAY

7TH FEBRUARY 2025

THEME:

**WEAR ANYTHING THAT MAKES
YOU HAPPY! (PJS, FOOTBALL
KITS, FANCY DRESS)**

**SUGGESTED DONATION OF £1 FOR OUR CHOSEN
CHARITY OF DEMENTIA JERSEY – SCAN HERE TO
DONATE!**



PTA News

Second Hand Uniform Sale

If you have any uniform your child has now grown out of and is still in reasonable condition we will gladly take it for the uniform shop; please drop it into the school office for our collection.

THANK YOU!

Our next uniform sale will be on the following dates:

Saturday 1st March, 9.30-11.30, School Foyer

Monday 3rd March, 14.30-15.15, School Foyer



Our next PTA Meeting is on **Wednesday 12th March** at 18.30 in the Meeting Room.

JCP Big Schools' Birdwatch



The JCP Big Schools' Birdwatch continued today with Reception and Year 1 venturing outdoors for some Birding fun with Jersey Heritage.

This coming Monday 3rd February is the final day for bringing your 'Bird Bath' entries into school. Please make sure that you label your them with your name and class.

Chairman of Ornithology at the Societe Jersiaise - Mike Dryden - will be arriving at 12 noon to judge your amazing creations!

Also why not continue looking out for our feathered friends at home by joining in with the Jersey Great Garden Birdwatch!





Jèrriais Eisteddfod



Congratulations to all our pupils who took part in the Jèrriais Eisteddfod last week. Overall, they received 5 Platinum, 13 Gold, 1 Silver certificate and 3 trophies! Well done everyone!



Lunar New Year



This week the children in Reception have been learning a little about the festival for the Lunar New Year. They have been trying to use chopsticks, learned the story of the Great Race, done some Chinese cooking (see next page) and a dragon song and dance.

They all got a lucky red envelope too!



Lunar New Year



Reception have been learning about and celebrating Chinese New Year this week by cooking some Chinese food. They made some noodles and some egg fried rice. Children were introduced to a variety of ingredients including garlic, soy sauce and fish sauce.

They all enjoyed trying the noodles and rice, along with some prawn crackers. Lots of children asked for seconds!



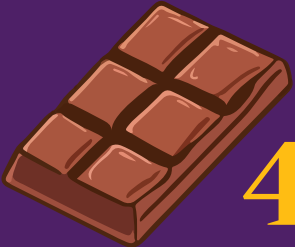


Year 3 Egyptian Day

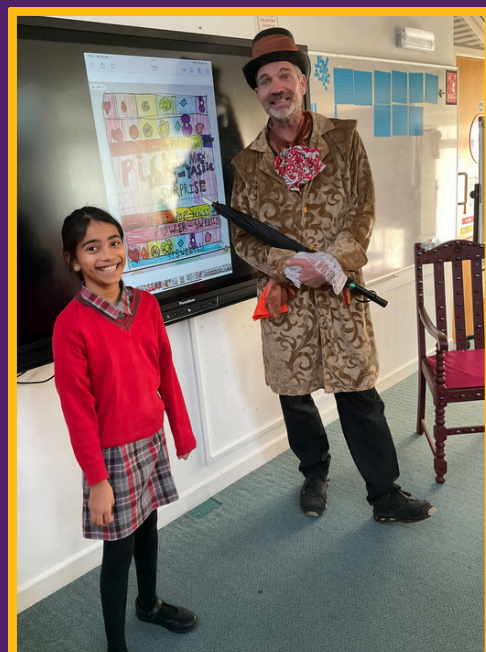


Year 3 had a brilliant day stepping back into the ancient Egyptian times. We crafted clay scarab beetle amulets, feasted on Egyptian fruits fit for a pharaoh and wrapped up the day by mummifying a tomato!

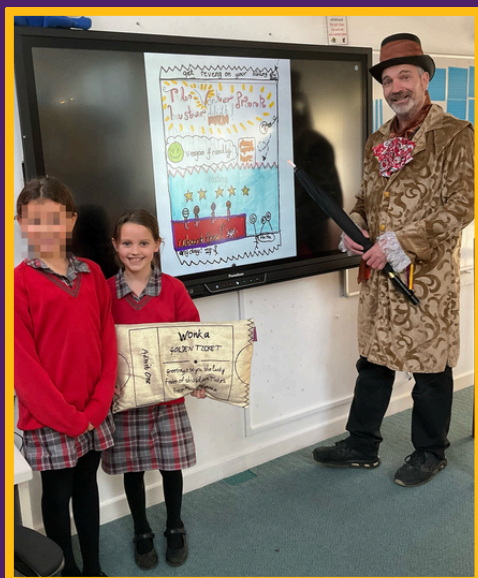




4L's Sweet Creations!



It was finally time for Mr Wonka to pay a visit to 4L, where the children eagerly pitched their new creations! Mr Wonka had the impossible decision of choosing the winner from a selection of whimsical sweets and some very persuasive speeches!



Dementia Jersey



We are very proud of Lucy, Harriet and Tilly for fundraising for our school charity **Dementia Jersey**. They made friendship bracelets and raised an impressive £55. Well done! We are so delighted that our pupils are motivated and inspired to support our school charity independently.



Music

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 (Year 5 & 6)	15.00-16.00	Hall

Wednesday

Wind Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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Thursday

Junior Choir (Year 3 & 4)	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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Friday

JCP Orchestra	8.00-8.45	Music Room
Signing Choir (KS2)	12.30-12.55	Music Room



Music



Year 2 JMS Sessions

The Year 2 children are continuing to enjoy their weekly music session with Miss King from the Jersey Music Service. Here are 2C performing their group compositions.



Music

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Madeleine
(5P) for receiving a Merit in her
recent Grade 4 Violin Exam.



POLYPHONY

Do you always find yourself tapping your feet to the beat, or pretending to use your pencils as drum sticks? Polyphony are currently searching for JCP pupils who want to learn Drum Kit and Percussion! Lessons would take place on a Monday lunchtime with Mr Willcocks.

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.

If your child is interested, please use the link below to complete the application form.

[Application Form](#)

Further information regarding music tuition can be found via this link:

[Music Tuition](#)

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 to our Foundation Administrator at polyphony@jcgfoundation.com

SPORT

Clubs & Fixtures

Monday 3rd

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 Helvetia		Home
Netball B Team Fixture v St Michael's		Home
Netball C Team Fixture v St Clement		St Clement

Tuesday 4th

Year 2 Dodgeball	12.00-12.30	Hall
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Wednesday 5th

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
Year 5 Netball Fixture v FCJ		FCJ

SPORT

Clubs & Fixtures

Thursday 6th

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



Saturday 1st March	Hockey A Team Tournament	Les Quennevais
Saturday 8th March	Hockey B Team Tournament	St Michael's School
Saturday 29th March	Netball A Team Tournament	Les Ormes 16.00-18.00

Netball



JCP started the new season in winning ways this week, with our Year 6 A and B teams travelling to play against La Moye on Monday, and our C Team and Year 5 Team playing against Springfield at JCP on Thursday.

In the **A team** match, JCP started slowly and found it difficult to shut down the physical La Moye team. They went 2-0 down in the first 5 minutes and felt the pressure. However, as soon as the players settled into the game and started linking their passes, they showed that they could control the centre court and get the ball into a shooting position. Excellent interceptions from Lauren and Eliana shut down any attack from La Moye, preventing them from adding any more to their score in the first half. Confident shooting from Orla meant that JCP went into half time 5-2 up. JCP continued to dominate the second half, coming away with a comfortable 9-3 win.

Final score: 9-3 to JCP

Player of the match: Jasmine A



Netball



In the **B team** match JCP started strong and carried the energy throughout the match. The team showcased excellent movement across the court, creating space and keeping the ball flowing smoothly. The team put in great effort in the centre court, moving the ball down the court to create good shooting opportunities. Maddie's shooting was on point, with accurate shots contributing to their strong lead.

Defensively, JCP applied good pressure, especially in the D, where they made key interceptions and pressured La Moye's attacking players, preventing any easy opportunities.

Final score: 6-2 to JCP

Player of the match: Lucy S



Netball



Yesterday, the **Year 6 C Netball team** played their first league match of the term against Springfield school. It was a very well contested match, one in which the JCP children really grew into as the match progressed. JCP made a strong start to the match, passing the ball well and creating a few chances for the shooters.

After losing a player to injury and needing to reshuffle positions, the team took a while to re-adjust and found themselves 2-0 down at half term. After the break, the team grew really strong, and played some lovely passages of Netball. Alice H was excellent as centre, and Annabel really shone as goal shooter. Annabel's confidence in the circle and accurate shooting resulted in JCP winning the game 6-2.

Overall, a fantastic team performance. Well done to Alice F who was named player of the match.



Netball



This term, we are trying to give our **Year 5** players as much experience of Netball games as possible, to further develop their understanding of the sport. Every pupil that attends Year 5 Netball Club will get the opportunity to represent JCP at some point this term, and the selected team for this week were ready and raring to go!

They started strongly, getting the ball into the shooting circle and scoring from the first centre pass. However, Springfield didn't make it easy for JCP, some tall players and quick interceptions meant that they found it difficult to connect passes at times. JCP went into half time 3-1 up, but aware that the game could go either way. With a reminder to pass ahead and move onto the ball, JCP started finding their flow down the middle of the court, giving our shooters plenty of opportunities. Isabelle F showed how much she has been practising, with calm and composed shooting, leading to a convincing win for JCP. Well done everyone, we are so proud of how hard you have been working and much you have improved!

Final score: 8-3

Player of the Match: Isabelle F





Creative Minds Camps for February half-term and the Easter holidays are now open for bookings!

They are open to pupils in Years 1 to 6 from all schools, and with themes ranging from Hollywood, to Undercover Spies and Science & Discovery, all with creative challenges and fun included, they are bound to stimulate all children!

Please click [here](#) to reserve your space now!