



JERSEY
COLLEGE
Prep

6th December 2024

Weekly Newsletter



Upcoming Dates

December

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 day)

13th Pupil Christmas Lunch at JCG

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

January

6th January Start of term



Headteacher's Message

What a festive week we have had! On Tuesday, Key Stage 2 treated us to their ever-popular Christmas Carol Concert. The singing, orchestra, ukuleles (with special guest stars!), and heartfelt readings were all absolutely wonderful. A huge thank you to all the parents and families who came to support, and of course, to Mrs Tieppo and the entire Key Stage 2 team for their hard work in putting together such a joyful celebration.

Not to be outdone, our Reception children took to the stage with their Nativity performance, and what a show it was! They dazzled a packed audience with their enthusiasm and charm. A big round of applause to the Reception team for their hard work and to all the parents for supporting this special event.



Adding to the festive fun, we held our first-ever House Christmas Paper Chain Making Competition as part of our Deco Day celebrations. This year's theme was all about recycling and repurposing, and the results were both creative and sustainable! Congratulations to Grandin, who worked brilliantly as a team to create an impressive paper chain in their allotted time, securing a well-deserved victory. What a fantastic way to combine teamwork, creativity, and eco-friendliness.

And the Christmas magic doesn't stop there! Next week, we're looking forward to even more performances and our first-ever whole-school Christmas lunch, which just so happens to fall on Christmas Jumper Day!

Thank you all for your continued support—it truly makes this season extra special.

Thank you
Mrs Precious



Sharing of Images & Recordings

With a number of festive performances coming up we would like to remind parents not to share film clips or images of children that are not their own. We have arranged for all the relevant year groups to be sent a link to a recording of the Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 performances. This will also be for personal use and not to be shared on social media.

Christmas Cards

As the festive season begins, we would like to remind you that in line with our ECO ethos and code, we ask that your child does not bring Christmas cards into school to give out. We are trying hard to reduce the amount of paper wasted.



School Uniform Reminder

Please could you ensure that children bring their school coats every day now that the colder weather is upon us.

Also, a polite reminder that the children should only wear the correct school uniform as specified in the uniform policy, which includes the correct coat, winter hat and gloves. It is important that the children represent our school in the correct uniform.

Our school uniform is available from Lyndale Sports.

We really appreciate your support in this.

School Uniform Policy





Children's Christmas Lunch

Friday 13th December



Thank you to all who have let us know their child's Christmas lunch arrangements for next Friday.

If you haven't yet had chance to complete this short form we kindly ask you to complete this **today**. Please [click here](#) for the form. Even if your child will be having their packed lunch from home, please could you complete this and one form for each child (if you have more than one at JCP).

As a reminder the choices for the day are:



1. A hot meal (menu below) – £5 each, payable via iPay.
2. A Christmas-themed packed lunch prepared by the school – £5, orderable from 6th December using the Fusion App.
3. A packed lunch brought from home – no charge

Further details about payment via iPay and Fusion will be follow shortly.

Thank you for helping us make this a memorable and magical Christmas celebration for everyone!





Save the Children

Christmas Jumper Day



1 week to go!

We're taking part in Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day on **Friday 13th December!**

Children are invited to come into school wearing a Christmas jumper and/or dress down. There's no need to buy a new jumper. You could upcycle an old jumper, get crafty or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit. Alternatively non-uniform will be fine. We would be grateful to receive any donations. Please follow the link below:

[Christmas Jumper Day Link to Donate](#)

Jersey Shelter Trust Christmas Tree

Our Eco Team counted over 300 tins of food on our Christmas tree for Jersey Shelter Trust!

Our Eco Tree is now at St. Peter's Church. You can take family and friends along to the festival to view our amazing tree from Saturday 7th December until Wednesday 18th December.

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity!



Year 4 Visit from Reverend Keith



This week Year 4 had a visit from Reverend Keith who spoke to us about the meaning and significance of different Christmas symbols. Both classes enjoyed learning about and creating a class Christingle.



World Children's Day Celebration

The Office of the Children's Commissioner for Jersey and the Youth Advisory Group (YAG) for Jersey celebrated UNICEF World Children's Day on Thursday 21st November.

This year was a special milestone for Jersey, as it marks ten years since YAG adopted the United Nations Convention on the rights of the child, committing to protect and promote the rights of all children on the island.

It was an incredible opportunity for young people to proudly represent the voices of children and advocate for the progression of children's rights in Jersey.

Ariyana from 6P took part in this event and as a result produced the following poem:

‘I Have a Voice’ by Ariyana, Year 6P

I have a voice, and I want to use it,
It is my voice, and I own it.
It is mine to keep and will always be,
No matter if I am alive or buried
I always will have my voice.
Just sometimes it may be trapped, and I may not use it.
But deep down
I know I have a voice waiting to be heard,
Waiting to blast off like a rocket.
My voice is the only thing (apart from my heart) keeping me alive,
It is the only thing that I should worship.
My voice is the thing that only I have,
Other people have one,
But MINE IS MINE.
Others are others,
But no one can take my special voice from me.
No one can steal or silence it.
It may be buried and not used,
But before you know it
My voice will flow through your ears.
And NO ONE can stop that from happening to me.
I will have my voice forever and ever.
No one will ever have a voice like mine,
And no one will ever try to out take my voice,
Because my voice is my voice
And it will always be mine.
I have my voice and I am not afraid to own it.
But I need you, the adults, to listen
To hear my voice, to really hear it.





Clubs Next Week

With so many events taking place, please note there will be no Strings ensemble, Signing Choir, Junior Choir or Orchestra next week.

Monday

Ukulele	15.00-16.00	Garden Chalet
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Tuesday

Senior Choir	15.00-16.00	Hall
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Wednesday

Wind Ensemble	12.30-12.55	Music Room
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Music



This week has been a fabulous celebration of all things musical! Christmas music is in full swing across the whole school.

The KS2 Carol service took place on Tuesday and included performances from Junior and Senior Choirs, Orchestra, Strings ensemble and Signing choir. We certainly filled the St Helier Methodist Church with Christmas joy and cheer. Here we are singing Feliz Navidad complete with actions, harmonies, maracas and ukuleles.





The Reception children entertained parents this week with their lovely nativity which included some very enthusiastic singing.



Year 1 and 2 are in full swing with rehearsals and are looking forward to their performances over the next couple of weeks.

Soup Kitchen

On Tuesday 10th December the Year 6 children will be singing at the Soup Kitchen in the Royal Square from 11.00-11.30am. We would love to see you there to see the children sing and support the Shelter Trust.

Year 4 Flute project



This week all Year 4 pupils performed fabulously for their parents, sharing their learning on the flute. Our thanks go to Mr Connan and the Jersey Music Service for delivering another successful project. I am excited to hear that quite a few of our pupils are considering continuing with lessons next term.



POLYPHONY

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.

We do have limited spaces available for music lessons for children in Year 3 and above. If your child is interested, please use the link below to complete the application form.

Polyphony Application Form

Further information regarding music tuition can be found via this link

Musical Tuition Link

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 polyphony@jcgfoundation.com

POLYPHONY

We are delighted to offer **Year 3** students the opportunity to participate in small group violin lessons for the Spring Term 2025, taught by Miss Millow.

This is a wonderful way for your child to explore learning an instrument in a supportive, small-group setting, and to determine if it is a good fit for them.

To register your child, please fill out all the details on the Polyphony application form, which can be found here:

Polyphony Application Form.

Once you have registered, you will need to pay for your child's lessons on the Foundation Shop, which can be found here:

**New Beginnings: Violin Taster Lessons Spring
2025 – Jersey College For Girls.**

Deadline: Friday 6th December

POLYPHONY

Call out for Donations!

The High Commissioner of Antigua is looking to begin a new government music regime with Antiguan children, to get them involved in a guitar group rather than on the streets.

If any staff or student across JCG and JCP has a Ukulele or Acoustic Guitar that is gathering dust and not being used, please consider donate them to the JC Foundation.

Please contact:

polyphony@jcgfoundation.com to arrange collection for donations.

SPORT

Clubs & Fixtures Next Week

Monday 9th

Year 3 Fitness Club	12.00-12.30	Hall
Year 6 Netball Club	15.00-16.15	Netball court
Netball Year 6 A & B Match v Helvetia		Away

Tuesday 10th

Year 2 Just Dance	12.00-12.30	Hall
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Wednesday 11th

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
Year 5&6 Football Match via St Clements School		Heathfield

Thursday 12th

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

Netball



On Monday our Year 6 A and B teams travelled to St Michael's for what we knew were going to be some tough netball matches. Year 5 also played this week at home.

The **Year 6 A team** found it difficult to match the fast pace of their opponents and defend against tall and skilled shooters in the circle. They showed some excellent linking play through the centre court but found it difficult to get our shooters into good positions to score. Our defenders worked tirelessly and should be proud of their efforts.

Final score: 15-1 to St Michael's
Player of the match: Maddie





The B team had an equally tough match. They demonstrated how much they have improved in defence and centre court, and dominated play at times, but frustratingly couldn't turn this into points in the shooting circle.

Final score: 10-0 to St Michael's

Player of the match: Lauren

Our **Year 5 Netballers** were also in action this week with a home game to Trinity. All of the players who attend the club have now represented JCP in a fixture, and it is great to see their understanding and confidence grow!

JCP red team played first in difficult conditions. They showed great enthusiasm and motivation, dominating the game from the whistle. Our attacking players kept delivering the ball into the circle to give our shooters plenty of opportunities to try to score. Our defence showed their increasing understanding of marking a player managing to keep the ball out of the opposition's net. Well done everyone!

Final score: 2-0 to JCP

Player of the match: Charlotte





JCP black team played next in the decreasing light. They started strong with many shooting opportunities, but failed to capitalise on these. Eventually, Trinity managed to work out their positions and started to look stronger. Some lovely shooting from Trinity meant that JCP went 2-0 down into half time.

JCP weren't happy with the score, and some excellent interceptions through the centre court in the second half, meant we once again created many shooting opportunities. Our shooters managed to find their target in this half and the final score reflects a well fought game for both sides.

Well done everyone!

Final score: 2-2 draw

Player of the match: Hallie





Jersey Netball

We have noticed a significant increase in the number of our pupils taking part in the Jersey Netball Association after school sessions. This is fantastic news, and will continue to have a positive impact on the level of Netball at JCP and the performance of our teams.

If your child enjoys netball, why not give it a try. There are sessions for Years 1-2, Years 3-4 and Years 5-6, but spaces are filling up fast. There are also holiday camp sessions during February half term.

Sign up using this link.

[Jersey Netball Association Link](#)

Football



On Wednesday, JCP took part in two football matches against St. George's school. Both games were very competitive with some excellent team spirit on show.

The A Team game was an excellent match with some fantastic football on display from both teams. The score was 0-0 at half time but both teams had good opportunities to score, and JCP were denied a goal right before halftime when the St. George's goalkeeper made an excellent save from close range from Charlotte. The second half continued in the same vein, however St. George's managed to make the most of two of their opportunities to score, resulting in the final score of 2-0 to St. George's.

This was the finest football the A team had played so far this season. Well done to Charlotte who was named player of the match.





The B team game was also a close affair with some end-to-end football played throughout the match. St. George's were winning 1-0 at half time however JCP came back, fighting strong in the second half to score an equalising goal courtesy of Bella, who finished off a fine run from Emilia. Barley also made some excellent saves in goal.

Well done to Millie who was named player of the match.





Year 5 & 6 House Hockey

Year 5 and 6 will be taking part in House Hockey next week. During their PE lessons each house will compete against the others to find the winner.

Please ensure that your child has shin pads, long red socks and a gumshield for their PE lesson.

Tuesday Year 5 House Hockey (in PE lesson)

Thursday Year 6 House Hockey (in PE lesson)

Following Association for PE guidance , pupils will not be able to play without the correct equipment.



Jèrriais Lunchtime Club

From January, Year 4 students are welcome to join Jèrriais Club with Susan Parker from the Jèrriais Teaching Service on Thursday lunchtimes at 12.30-1pm in the Library. This is designed to extend their classroom learning through fun games and activities, and requires a regular weekly commitment. Numbers are limited to 12 and are on a first come first served basis.

Please email [**admin@jcp.sch.je**](mailto:admin@jcp.sch.je) if your daughter wishes to take part.

Jèrriais Club for Years 5 and 6 will continue on Monday lunchtimes at 12.30-1pm in the Library from January.



Art and Animation Club Spring Term

Motion Studio After School Club provides a combination of Art and Animation activities, from learning programs for Digital Art on ipads, to hands on drawing skills with pencils, pens and comic markers.

Stop-frame animation with Lego and other materials is also great fun and helps to build levels of creativity and focus.

All materials and technology are provided , though we recommend bringing a couple of lego figures and a memory stick.

[Link to Register](#)

Fridays at JCP 3.00pm-4.30pm / Club fees £160
Year 3 - Year 6

Friday 10th January to Friday 28th March 2025
(excluding the Half Term Week of the 17th February)



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

Each exciting camp is designed to stimulate your son or daughter with creative challenges and fun.

Those from Years 1 to 6 can choose from the following:

Hollywood Camp: Monday 17th to Friday 21st February 2025

Undercover Spies: Monday 7th to Friday 11th April 2025

Science and Discovery Camp: Monday 14th to Thursday 17th April 2025

If you are interested in booking, please visit click the below link:

[Creative Minds Holiday Camps Registration](#)



Little Leopards will be **closed** on the last day of term, **Thursday 19th December.**

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and greatly appreciate your understanding and support. Our team is dedicated to providing your children with a safe and enjoyable after-school provision.

Thank you for all your support during the Autumn Term



We have limited spaces available on Mondays and 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.lievre@jcgfoundation.com**](mailto:a.lievre@jcgfoundation.com) to register.