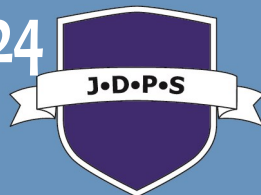


12th January 2024



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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you to everyone who has attended the information sharing meetings this week. I hope you have found these sessions useful. We have one more session to come next week which is for parents of children in our Reception classes. This meeting will take place on Wednesday 17th January at 8:45am in the Community Space.

I would like to take this opportunity to say see you soon and welcome, in some cases welcome back, to some members of staff who are briefly leaving or who have joined us after the Christmas break:

Rajvir Ghai and Nazmeen Begum have left us briefly as they are both starting their maternity leave and I'm sure you'll join me in wishing them well and hoping they enjoy this precious time with their newest additions to their families

Welcome to Victoria Brown has started with us this week in our Green Reception class. She will be working in Green Reception on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays for the rest of the academic year

Welcome to Amina Mohamoud will be supporting in Green 1 for the rest of the academic year

And a welcome back Gemma Taylor who will be working with Red 2 on Fridays for the rest of the year

The government launched a new national campaign last week to remind parents and carers of the importance of school attendance called 'Moments matter, attendance counts'. It is so important for children to be in school, not only for their learning but also for their wider development. However, we do understand that children get unwell and there may be times when they need to stay at home. If you are unsure if you should send your child to school, this link will help you to make those decisions. Please ensure you are contacting us if your child is too unwell to come to school.

Just a reminder that children need to be in school for 8:45am and the school gates are open from 8:40am until 8:45am. Punctuality is also important to ensure that your child is taking advantage of all learning opportunities available.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend and we will see you bright and early on Monday morning.

Miss Rooney

This week's class attendance winner is:



GREEN 1
97.6%

Attendance

Our whole school attendance target is **97%**

Our overall attendance this week is **93.5%**

Well done to the classes who achieved above

whole school attendance!

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	94.5%	5
Reception Red	83.1%	10
Reception Green	94.4%	11
Red 1	95.2%	11
Green 1	97.6%	16
Red 2	92.6%	8
Green 2	94.2%	10
Red 3	88.9%	6
Green 3	95.7%	7
Red 4	93.1%	2
Green 4	95.0%	9
Red 5	93.3%	10
Green 5	94.1%	6
Red 6	97.5%	4
Green 6	92.6%	6



Punctuality Reminder

School gates open at 8.40 a.m. every day. Children need to be in their class at 8.45 a.m. so that they can start their lessons promptly. Children who arrive late are greatly disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons. It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives. Punctuality is a life skill that they need to develop whilst they are young.



Leon
Red 1



Teegan
Red 3

Years 1,2



Siri
Green 2

Years 3,4,5,6



Patrick
Green 6

Golden Tickets This Week:

Thiago G1, Finn G1, Kaz R1, Victoria G2, Lea G2, Annabelle R2, Janah R2, Saidat G3, Serenity R3, Leonardo G3, Riley G4, Eleanor R4, Aliya R4, Neveah G4, Nia R4, Nathan R5, Muhammad R5, Sophia R5, Tyler R6, Marwa R6, Liam G6, Liam G6

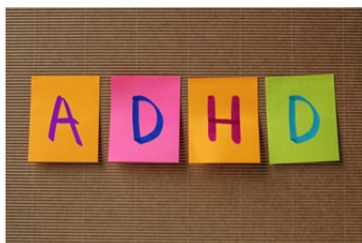


Diamond Tickets This Week:

Carlo G1, Amelia G1, Anas R1, Amina R1, Louie G2, Hanan G2, Leah R2, Zuriel G3, Ishmael G3, Nia R4, Eleanor R4, Malik G4, Zane G4, Pharell R5, Adetolani R5, Ayan G6. Solomon R6, Solomon R6, Feyisara R6, Leah R6

PARENTS INFORMATION BOARD

Supporting a Child with ADHD



Challenge the stereotypes and get the facts with Jane Keyworth
Thursday 1st Feb (7pm to 9pm) £24
 Available to book now via the website
facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Are you trying to manage some angry behaviour?



UNDERSTANDING ANGER

15th January 17:00-19:00

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE
 giving a two hour talk to parents (and teachers), explaining
 what anger is, why we have it and how to manage it.

Book online now £24 facefamilyadvice.co.uk



Congratulations to GREEN 3
 for being the top doodling class in the past
 week. Keep doodling everyone.

[Homepage -DoodleLearning](http://Homepage-DoodleLearning)

Join the Back to school Doodle Maths challenge by completing challenges every day.

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TINY Happy PEOPLE

Your words build their world

The resources on this page will help you support your child with saying their sounds and writing their letters. There are also some useful videos so you can see how they are taught at school and feel confident about supporting their reading at home. Find our full Reception and Year 1 teaching programme overview [here](#) to see what your child will learn and when.

Term Dates 2023-24

Term	Start	End
Spring 1	Thursday 4th January 2024	Friday 9th February 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	<u>Monday 12th February 2024</u>	<u>Friday 16th February 2024</u>
Spring 2	Monday 19th February 2024	Thursday 28th March 2024 @ 2pm
<u>Easter</u>	<u>Friday 29th March 2024</u>	<u>Friday 12th April 2024</u>
Summer 1	Monday 15th April 2024	Friday 24th May 2024
<u>Half Term</u>	<u>Monday 27th May 2024</u>	<u>Friday 31st May 2024</u>
Summer 2	Monday 3rd June 2024	Friday 19th July 2024 @ 2pm

Bank Holidays- Monday 6th May 2024



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Please make sure you follow us on
Instagram and Twitter, @JDPSoffice.
 We will be
 posting live updates and
 pictures to show what is going on within
 your child's school day.

Top Tips for... MANAGING SCREEN TIME

According to the latest stats, people aged between 8 and 17 spend four hours on digital devices during an average day. Obviously, a new year is ideal for fresh starts and renewed efforts – so lots of families are trying to cut down their combined screen time right now, creating more moments to connect with each other and relying less on gadgets to have fun. Our top tips on reducing screen time are for everyone, so you can get your whole family involved in turning over a new leaf this year!

GET OUT AND ABOUT
 If you've been stuck indoors for a while, it's time to get out and about. Even a short walk to the local shop or park can help you and your child disconnect from screens and reconnect with the world around you.

TRY A TIMED TRIAL
 When you're looking at a screen, try to do a different activity for 15 minutes. You can use a timer to help you. If you're struggling, try to complete your task before the alarm goes off.

GO DIGITAL DETOX
 Challenge yourself and your family to do a digital detox. Turn off your phone and laptop for a day. Then build up to a full day or even a weekend detox.

LEAD BY EXAMPLE
 Let your family see you successfully managing your screen time. If you're struggling, try to complete your task before the alarm goes off.

CREATE TECH-FREE ZONES
 No screens in the car, at the table, or in the bedroom. Make these zones tech-free zones. No screens in the car, at the table, or in the bedroom. Make these zones tech-free zones.

HOLD A SCREEN TIME ANNUITY
 As a family, agree specific rules for screen time. If you're struggling, try to complete your task before the alarm goes off.

Meet Our Expert
 The National College of Digital Literacy and Digital Skills. The National College of Digital Literacy and Digital Skills. The National College of Digital Literacy and Digital Skills.

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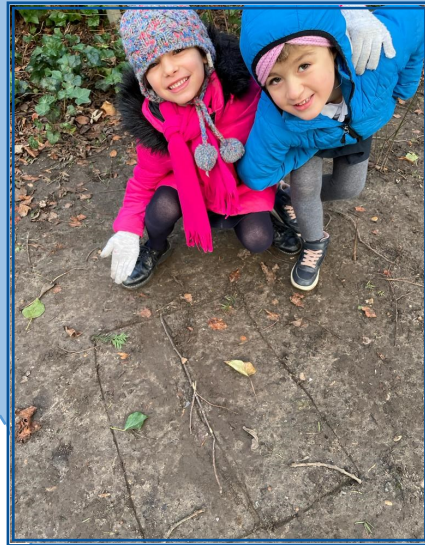
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Year 2

We have been looking and symmetry and started to create patterns in Outdoor Learning with Mr Crane this week. How many lines of symmetry can you see?



School Council

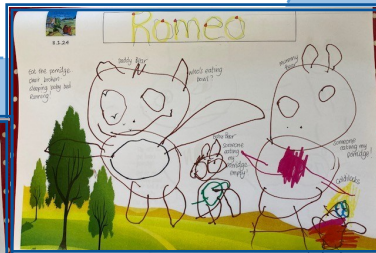
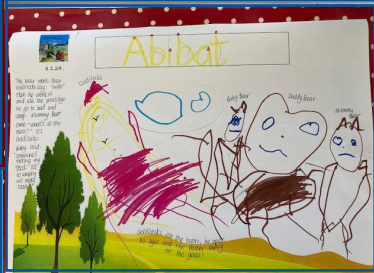
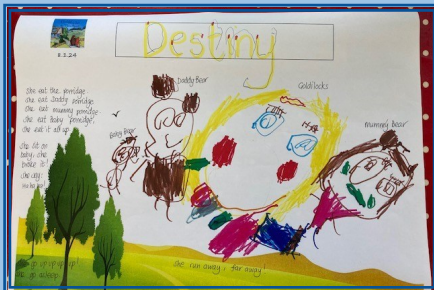
Congratulations to the new school councillors for 2024!



LEARNING AT JOHN DONNE...

Early Years

The children have been recalling story facts through talk and drawing.



Year 1

Year 1 have been learning about their senses.

They have been acting like scientist exploring all 5 of their senses.

