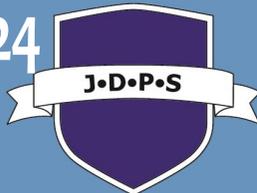


2nd February 2024



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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another extremely busy week of learning at John Donne and your children continue to amaze all of us every day with their passion and excitement to try or find out about something new! Around the school I've seen Year 5 working extremely hard on multiplying 3 digit by 2 digit numbers, Year 3 have been using their historical skills to identify artefacts from the Bronze and Iron Age and Nursery class have been going on a bear hunt!

I wanted to say a huge congratulations and enormous well done to the Year 5 and 6 girls football team. They had their first tournament last week and they represented John Donne and did us all proud. I know they have been putting in the extra hours of practice too and I also wanted to thank Mr Ash and Miss Laura for organising the practice sessions and accompanying them to the tournament.

Just a reminder that we are offering two workshops, run by the senior leadership team, for parents around online safety. They both **begin at 08:45** and will be around 30 minutes.

Tuesday 6th February - Parents and carers of children in Year 5 and 6 - Community Space

Thursday 8th February - Parents and carers of children in Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 - Bottom Hall (please note we have changed the venue to the bottom hall as it is a larger space)

I hope you and your families have a wonderful weekend whatever you get up to and we'll see you all on Monday for the final week of this half term.

Mr James

This week's class attendance winner is:



GREEN 3
98.2%

Attendance

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

Our overall attendance this week is **93.4%**

Well done to Green 3 achieving 98.2%

attendance this week!

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	87.7%	0
Reception Red	93.5%	2
Reception Green	86.0%	1
Red 1	96.0%	1
Green 1	93.3%	2
Red 2	96.9%	0
Green 2	90.0%	0
Red 3	95.4%	1
Green 3	98.2%	0
Red 4	89.2%	0
Green 4	94.6%	4
Red 5	91.9%	4
Green 5	94.4%	2
Red 6	97.5%	0
Green 6	96.1%	1

Punctuality



This week there has been a **BIG** improvement with children arriving to school on time. Thank you to everyone, who is making the effort to ensure their children are in school on time. The more time a pupil is in school the more likely they are to improve their opportunity to fulfil their full potential.



Years 1,2



Mahir Red 2



Tyrese Red 1

Years 3,4,5,6



Rocsi Red 3



Temitope Red 5

Golden Tickets This Week:

Abdulrazak R1, Finn G1, Ornin G1, Azra R1, Al'Amin R2, Eunicie G2, Ibitayo G2, Hussain R3, Eliud G3, Ibrahim G3, Moriat G4, Riya R4, Akilah R4, Jamal G4, Lyna G5, Mina R5, Zinedine G5, Tyler R6, Ayobami R6, Feyisara R6



Diamond Tickets This Week:

Cheznae G1, Sarah R1, Seraphina G1, Joshua G2, Al-Amin G2, Ryleigh-Wrey R2, Yeriel R2, Ezekiel R3, Manha R3, Arkan G3, Motoyosi G3, Mirabel R4, Muizza R4, Ellise R4, Eleanor R4, Logan R4, Rhama G4, Iyla G4, Tife G5, Ned G5, Feranmi R6, Marwa R6

P A R E N T S I N F O R M A T I O N B O A R D

Safer Internet Day Tuesday 6th Feb for Parent/Carers of children in 5 & 6	National Dental Programme Tuesday 6th Feb Reception and Year 1	Class Assembly Wednesday 7th Feb Green 4 (TBC)	Safer Internet Day Thursday 8th Feb for Parent/Carers of children in 1,2,3 & 4
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Congratulations to GREEN 5
 for being the top doodling
 class in the past week.
 Keep doodling
 everyone.

[Homepage Link](#)

Term Dates 2023-24

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

SAVE the DATE
Safer Internet Day
 2024 | Tuesday
 6 February
www.saferinternetday.org

European Commission | INHOPE | insafe

We will be running two sessions for parents about how to keep your child safe on the internet. These sessions will be based on the age of your child as content can vary. Will begin at 8:45am and should last about 30 minutes.

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The Safer Internet website <https://saferinternet.org.uk/> has lots of information about different topics which can help you keep your child safe online.

UNICORN
 Enter for a chance to win a free family ticket!

GIVEAWAY
 Closes Sunday 4th February

The Three Billy Goats Gruff
 For ages 3 - 7 | Until 18 Feb

Ready, set, go! Head over to our Instagram page and take part in this special giveaway. We're gifting a family ticket to this joyous musical as well as a special treat from the tuck shop.

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CONTACT INFO:
 ITSPRIMEFC@GMAIL.COM
 07927815736

Bank Holidays- Monday 6th May 2024

School Menu
 Week 1
 5th Feb
 2024

**INSTAGRAM/
 TWITTER**

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.

Free Family learning activities 2024

Things to do this half term! **Adult learning service**
www.southwark.gov.uk

Spring into Spring

Arts & Crafts, Fun with Maths, Coding for fun, Storytelling, Sewing, Embroidery, Pottery, Songs, Stay and play and more!



Monday 12th & Tuesday 13th February 2024
1.00pm – 3.30pm
@ Thomas Calton Centre
Alpha Street, London SE15 4NX
Book a place now - call 020 7358 2100
For more information email patricia.thomas@southwark.gov.uk

PARENTS INFORMATION BOARD

MONDAY 12TH - FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY



HALF TERM FUN WITH Ultimate Sports

£30 PER LONG DAY 7:30-10:00
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£30 PER LONG DAY 7:30-10:00
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THE TIMETABLE:
MONDAY 12TH - FRIDAY 16TH FEBRUARY

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7:30 - 10:00 BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY	BREAKFAST / FREEPLAY
10:00 - 11:00 ROUNDOY CASTLE	OLYMPIC GAMES	TRANSFORME / GYMNASICS	QUACK / SHAKING	TRIP DAY
11:00 - 12:00 FOOTBALL / TENNIS	HANDBALL / ROUNDEERS	FOOTBALL / BASKETBALL	VOLLEYBALL / CRICKET	TRIP DAY
12:00 - 13:30 LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
13:30 - 14:30 ARTS + CRAFTS PARTY SUBMERGED	ARTS + CRAFTS	ARTS + CRAFTS	ARTS + CRAFTS	TRIP DAY
14:30 - 15:30 ROUNDOY CASTLE	OUTSIDE GAMES	OUTSIDE GAMES	OUTSIDE GAMES	TRIP DAY
15:30 - 16:30 SUMMER BBQ	GUESTS MEET	USC CHALLENGE	SCAVENGER HUNT	ULTIMATE SPORTS GOT TALENT
16:30 - 17:00 SNACK	SNACK	SNACK	SNACK	SNACK
17:00 - 18:00 FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY	FREEPLAY

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What Parents & Carers Need to Know about PERSUASIVE DESIGN ONLINE

"Persuasive design" refers to the techniques that companies employ to influence our thoughts and behaviors when we're on the internet. These opportunities can be spotted on websites, in app-based forms or part of some video games. Persuasive design means that this content has been deliberately presented in a way that's intended to encourage you to spend your time or money (or both). These methods often prove highly effective at keeping people engaged and invested for longer than we might expect.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

- POTENTIAL ADDICTION**: In the digital world, persuasive design can create compelling experiences that draw us in and keep us engaged for hours. This can lead to excessive screen time, which can have negative effects on our mental health, sleep, and overall well-being. It can also affect our ability to focus on other tasks and our ability to manage our time effectively.
- MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS**: Persuasive design can be used to promote products or services that may be harmful to our mental health. For example, it can be used to encourage us to spend more money on things we don't need or to promote unhealthy behaviors. It can also be used to make us feel like we are missing out on something, which can lead to feelings of anxiety and depression.
- PROLONGED SCROLLING**: Social media can draw us into a never-ending scroll of content, which can be addictive. This can lead to excessive screen time, which can have negative effects on our mental health, sleep, and overall well-being. It can also affect our ability to focus on other tasks and our ability to manage our time effectively.
- ESTABLISH LIMITS**: Talk to your child about setting some time limits on how long they can use their phone, tablet or console in the evenings or at weekends - or during the school week. It's important to make sure these limits are realistic and achievable. Encourage your child to take breaks from screen time regularly, making things fun (and healthy) for everyone.
- NIX NOTIFICATIONS**: One of the best ways to limit your child's screen time is to turn off notifications for social media apps. This will help to reduce the number of times your child is interrupted by notifications, which can help to reduce their screen time. Encourage your child to turn off notifications for all apps, not just social media.
- Meet Our Expert**: National Online Safety is the national charity that provides free advice and support to help parents and carers keep their children safe online. Visit www.nationalsafety.org.uk for more information.

KEEP SCROLLING

SENSORY OVERLOAD: Repeatedly scrolling, clicking on links or watching videos can create an unending stream of new information and stimuli. This can be overwhelming and lead to sensory overload, which can have negative effects on our mental health, sleep, and overall well-being. It can also affect our ability to focus on other tasks and our ability to manage our time effectively.

COSTLY ADDITIONS: Video games sometimes display ads for in-game purchases or loot boxes which can be bought with real money. While these transactions are legitimate, they can be addictive and lead to excessive spending. Encourage your child to be aware of these ads and to only purchase items if they have the money to do so.

PHYSICAL CONSEQUENCES: Hours spent sitting and scrolling can lead to physical health issues, such as eye strain, neck pain, and back pain. Encourage your child to take regular breaks from screen time and to engage in physical activity. Encourage your child to use good posture and to take breaks from screen time regularly.

Advice for Parents & Carers

MAKE A CHECKLIST: Encourage your child to create a checklist of things to do when they are scrolling on their phone or tablet. This can help them to stay focused and to avoid getting distracted by ads or notifications. Encourage your child to turn off notifications for all apps, not just social media. Encourage your child to take regular breaks from screen time and to engage in physical activity.

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Free* 15 week Learning Unlimited course for adults interested in becoming Teaching Assistants

Award in Support Work in Schools

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From 28th February to 26th June 2024

We will contact you after you register to arrange an assessment time. This course will be delivered online using Zoom



What will I get from attending the course?

- The knowledge and skills required to become an effective teaching assistant
- The City & Guilds Award in Support Work in Schools (Level 2)
- The opportunity to progress to the Certificate in Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools or to apply for work as a Teaching Assistant

How much does it cost?

*The course is free but there is a non-refundable registration fee of £60.

To apply for a place on the course use the link below to complete the online form: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/award-in-support-in-schools-tickets-81402768772>

All applicants should have level 2 English. Please note you will need to complete a portfolio which will require a lot of homework. Places are subject to completion of application form and assessment.

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Message from Chair of Governors

I would like to congratulate the staff and children for all their hard work, which has been recognised in the school's Ofsted report published last week. As a local committee of governors we get to see and hear about all the brilliant teaching and learning you do every term, and it is very encouraging to know that has been reflected in the inspectors' findings. If you haven't yet read the report it is available on the school website. On behalf of all the governors I can say we are very proud to be part of the John Donne school community and we are looking forward to finding out more about all the amazing activities you have planned over the rest of the year.

Chloe McCulloch
Chair of Governors



Good news!

We have recently added some colourful playground benches for the children to sit and do drawing activities during breaks. Looks like the benches are certainly a welcomed part of playtime.

LEARNING AT JOHN DONNE...

Year 2

Year 2 Science where we explored how absorbent different materials were.



Independent Learning

Muizza year 4 has been working on our term subject of Anglo Saxon and the Vikings. She independently created a shield and a village with real wood and thatch roof. Well done Muizza for sharing your great work!