



## The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 4 Summer Term 2025



Hello Everyone,

### International Evening

Thank you to everyone who came to our International Evening and to everyone who contributed to make it such a special celebration of our West Jesmond Family. This special event in the school calendar allows us the opportunity to celebrate the backgrounds of our children and families and enjoy the richness of experiences this brings to our school. We are hugely grateful for the incredible food, fascinating workshops and stalls and to all of our performers! We will share lots more images with you on social media and on the newsletters next half term.



### West Jesmond School Festival of Music

Over 200 children performed at the Jesmond library this week as a part of the Jesmond festival 2025. The West Jesmond Festival of music included our dance group, djembe drummers, the ukulele group, Year 3/4 choir and Year 5/6 choir. The children performed for an audience of parents, friends and members of the community. They filled the library with their energy and talent and provided a very entertaining morning! Thank you to Mrs Anderson for rehearsing, organising and leading this great event.



### Children's Cancer Run 2025

Well done to everyone who was a part of the, very large, West Jesmond team who took part in the Children's Cancer Run on Sunday. It was lovely to see so many people there. We were very proud of all of our runners, and thank you for all the money you have helped to raise for such an important cause. Thank you to Mrs Oades for organising our West Jesmond participation!



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### Cricket Champions!

Congratulations to our Year 5/Year 6 Cricket teams for their efforts this week. Three teams from West Jesmond played in the Northumberland Cricket Board Dynamos Cricket Festival at Benwell Hill Cricket Club on Monday. All of our West Jesmond teams showed brilliant batting, bowling and fielding skills during the festival. One of our teams ended up as the festival overall winners! Congratulations to our winners and all of our West Jesmond teams who played some fantastic Cricket throughout the festival.

Here is a report of the event written by four of our players.



The day started off well with Qasim getting 5 wickets in the first over! We batted well, scored plenty of boundaries and went on to win comfortably. Our form carried on, and we secured a win in our second game. Finally, in our final group game, three people managed to hit it out of the stadium for 6! Meanwhile our other two teams were playing amazingly. Our Girls' team did brilliantly winning one, drawing one and losing one. They played against mixed teams of boys and girls and only lost by 8 runs to the semi-finalists!

In the semi-finals it was a West Jesmond derby, with Team 1 just scraping a win to earn place in the final. By this time we were amazingly excited to play in the final.

In the final, we won the toss and chose to field. We only conceded a few boundaries and we got plenty of wickets. When we batted, we worked strategically with the first few batters getting lots of runs. After these batters, the others played with solid defence to keep our wickets safe. Our tactics worked as we went on to win the tournament. We were all so happy.

We would like to thank Mr Snelders, Mr Farooqi, Mr Mellons and Mrs Kayani for giving us the chance to take part.

By Danny, Harry, Qasim and Darshan

### Year 4 Cricketers

Well done to our Year 4 cricketers who represented the school at a festival at Jesmond Cricket Club. A big shout out to both Bertie and Isaac for winning a prize. Bertie with his over arm throwing and leg side shots and Isaac with the furthest shot hit today. Well done to all involved!



### Year 2 Chefs!

In food technology, Year 2 have been designing a healthy wrap, and this week, they got to make them.

They prepared lettuce, cucumber, tomato and red pepper, and using a centrifugal grater, took turns to grate carrots. They then added their chosen vegetables to the wrap, along with butter, soft cheese or hummus.





### Year 3 Geologists

The geologists in Year 3 have had a very busy couple of weeks in Science! We visited the Great North Museum to take part in an incredible rocks workshop where we worked hard to identify and classify different types of rocks. We then had a visit from Sanem, the geologist, who showed us different slides under her microscope - even a fossil of a vegetarian dinosaur! We asked so many incredible questions and loved sharing our excitement.



### Achievers

We have more achievers to share with you this week. I know you will be very impressed with this fantastic picture of a turtle and very clever sculpture created by a very talented Year 5 artist. The picture was displayed at an Art exhibition along with pictures by lots of other local children and given a special award of excellence!



We also heard about a very proud tennis player who showed us a medal he won this weekend!



A number of children in our Irish Dance Club competed and performed at the weekend and came to show us all of their medals and trophies! We are so proud of all of you!



Have a lovely week everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)