



## The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 6 Summer Term 2024

Dear Children, Families and Friends,



Thank you for another busy and successful half term at West Jesmond. We hope you all get the chance to spend time together and enjoy sunny (or at least dry!) weather over the bank holiday and the week ahead and we look forward to the final half term of the school year.

### Take One book Week 2024

We hope your children have enjoyed Take One Book Week. Across school, we have used *Mirror* by Jeannie Baker to inspire our creativity. The children have been sharing and enjoying the text and the themes it explores and have used them to produce lots of very imaginative artwork and poetry.



### Jesmond Community Festival

On Wednesday, as part of the Jesmond Community Festival our talented dancers, singers and musicians performed at Jesmond Library. We had performances from our dancers, ukulele and djembe bands and our Y3&4 and Y5&6 choirs. Thank you to all the parents who supported the event.



### Children's Cancer Run 2024

Well done to everyone in our very big 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, young and old, and thank you for all the money you have helped to raise for such an important cause.



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### **International Evening**

Thank you to everyone who came to our International Evening yesterday and to everyone who contributed. Despite being stuck inside due to the weather, our school came together and it was lovely to see the exciting diversity of our school represented and celebrated. We are hugely grateful for the incredible food, fascinating workshops and stalls and to all of our performers!

In our assemblies, we set a small challenge to our children. We asked them to speak with other children in the year group and see how many different ways to say hello or to greet someone they could learn over the day. Ask your child, how many they know?

We will share lots more images with you on social media and on the newsletters next half term.

### **Goodbye Bev**

Today we are saying a sad goodbye to a very important part of our West Jesmond Family. Bev Faulder joined us in 2008 and has worked as a Learning Support Assistant across school teaching and encouraging many, many children. As well as being highly skilled in supporting, motivating and caring for our children, Bev also brings a huge amount of humour, energy and incredible dressing up costumes to school! She will be deeply missed as a colleague and a friend by all of us at school. We wish Bev the very best and we know she leaves with the thanks and best wishes of all of our families and community.



### **Good Luck Amber**

This week, we are also saying goodbye to Amber York who has been an Initial Teacher Training student in school this year as well as an important and very well liked member of our office and support staff over the last few years. I know the children have enjoyed having Amber as a teacher and we are sure she will have a very successful career in teaching. We know you will join us in wishing her the very best in her future career.

I hope everyone has a lovely half term holiday!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)

## Dates for Your Diary

### First Week Back

- ❖ Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June
- ❖ Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

### Back to school

Year 3 Visit to Great North museum  
Year 4 Children's Countryside Day Wooler  
Cake Stall 5ES

### Further Ahead

- ❖ Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June

5ES and 5F Print Workshops Newcastle University  
5HS Centre for Life Visit

5F Centre for Life Visit

5S Centre for Life Visit

New Reception Parents' Welcome Meeting (6pm)

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Non Uniform Day Donations for Summer Fair

- ❖ Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June
- ❖ Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June
- ❖ Monday 1<sup>st</sup> July
- ❖ Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July (pm)
- ❖ Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July
- ❖ Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July (pm)
- ❖ Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July

Friends Summer Fair

Allotment Open Day

Languages Club Assembly 9.30am

Year 4 Scottish Opera Performance

Sports Day Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2

Reception Sports Day

Year 6 Graduation Evening

- ❖ Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July

End of Term

