

The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 7 Summer Term 2024

Dear Children, Families and Friends,

Welcome to the final half term of the school year. We are looking forward to a busy and sun filled two months ahead!

International Evening

I would like to start the newsletter by looking back to the end of the last half term and to our International Evening. Although we were forced inside because of the weather, the West Jesmond Family celebrated our diversity and talents in style. I want to send out my huge thanks again to everyone who performed, supported performances, brought food, led activities and attended in such high numbers and so enthusiastically. Our special thanks go to Verity Groot, Jacqui Nicholson and Jo Anderson for organising this important event in the West Jesmond calendar.



Summer Fair: Volunteers Needed

The next big event coming up is the Friends of West Jesmond Summer Fair. Our team of Friends are working hard to prepare the event, but they need your help! If you can spare a few hours to help set up on the morning, run a stall or help to tidy up at the end, please contact the Friends at <u>friendswips@mail.com</u>.



Attendance Update: 96.1%

Thank you for all your efforts supporting your child to have the very highest attendance. Overall attendance is up on the same time last year and the numbers of children classed as persistently absent, under 90% attendance, has fallen considerably. We know there are sometimes reasons why your child may miss school and we are always there to work with you to try to remove any barriers and offer advice to support the family. **Please remember, as we move into the summer, that we cannot authorise any holiday or extended visits abroad to see family**.



Clubs Summer Half Term 2

You will have all received the Clubs timetable for this term. There are still a few places in a number of the Clubs. Speak to the School Office to ask for your child.

Remember, if your child is eligible for Free School Meals, the school will pay for their place in a club. Dance Club: There are still places available for Y4-6 children at Dance Club for next half term. It is on Wednesdays from 8 - 8.50am in the School Hall. Sessions are: 5th June - 10th July (6 weeks) £24 to book a place, contact brooke@freelance-dance.co.uk

Special Achievers

There have been so many children coming to see us this week to talk about achievements in sports, dance and music. Here are some of our very proud children with their trophies, medal and certificates. We have a number of footballers and rugby players with their end of season team awards and some very special individual awards as well as a very proud Grade 1 ballet dancer! Well done everyone!











West Jesmond In The Community

There is a Jesmond Litterpick this Saturday to help keep our community clean. Volunteers meet at 11am at Jesmond Library.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)



Dates for Your Diary

Next Week

✤ Monday 10th June

Tuesday 11th June

- Wednesday 12th June
- Thursday 13th/Friday 14th June
- Friday 14th

Further Ahead

- Monday 17th June
- Thursday 20th June
- Friday 21st June
- Sunday 23rd June
- Saturday 29th June
- ✤ Monday 1st July
- Wednesday 3rd July (pm)
- Monday 8th July
- Thursday 11th July (pm)
- Wednesday 17th July

Friday 19th July

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)

Year 5 Bikeability Cake Stall 4MO

New Reception Parents' Welcome Meeting (9am)

Digital Leaders Apple training Non Uniform Day Donations for Summer Fair

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

End of Term