



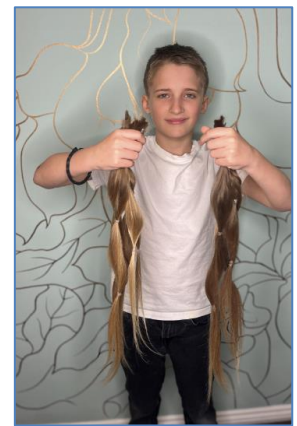
The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 2 Summer Term 2024

Dear Children, Families and Friends,



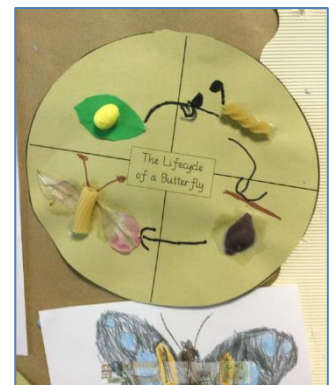
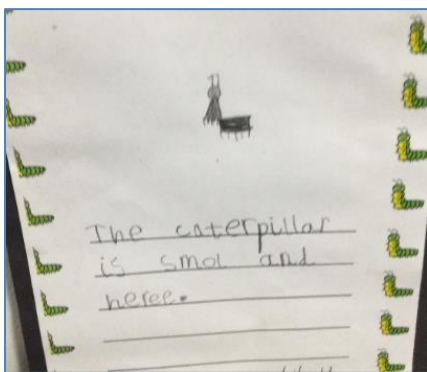
500 Dojo Award Winner Milo

We want to start this newsletter with the latest of our special 500 Dojo Award winners. We told you about Milo’s incredible fund raising effort before Easter. Milo decided to have his hair cut to raise money for The Great North Children’s Hospital Children’s Cancer Wards. He has also donated his hair to The Little Princess Trust who make wigs for children undergoing cancer treatment. We are so proud of Milo for his efforts that raised over £2100! Another great example of our children exemplifying the West Jesmond Way - Well done Milo!



The Very Hungry Caterpillar!

As a part of their investigation of different life cycles, Reception have welcomed some very hungry caterpillars into our classrooms! They have been learning all about the different stages of their life cycle and enjoy coming in each morning to observe how they have changed. The children have been amazed at how quickly they have grown and cannot wait to see them spin their chrysalis and emerge as butterflies. They created some rules in our classroom to take care of the caterpillars as they grow, and drew pictures of different types of butterflies. They have been keeping a diary of how the caterpillars look and noticed how spikey, hairy and wriggly they were! When they have metamorphosed into butterflies, we will set them free in the orchard.

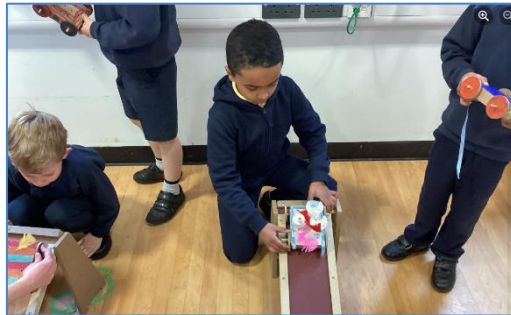


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Year 2 Parents' Workshop

Year 2 had a lovely morning working with their parents in school. The workshop was linked to the Design and Technology unit on mechanics, with a focus on axles and wheels. The children and families made and tested vehicles using their creative and individual designs. Thank you to all the parents for helping and making this such an enjoyable workshop!



Very Busy Chess Club

One of the very popular clubs at West Jesmond is our Chess Club. There were a large number of Year 5 children arriving to pit their wits against each other on Thursday. Mrs Oades was very impressed by the great concentration and skill on display!



Good Newts! Year 4 Wildlife Safari

During our very green week, Year 4 all went up to the allotment to launch our new Science topic Living Things and Their Habitats. They really enjoyed our visit investigating what wildlife we could find there – including lots of newts!



The West Jesmond International Evening 2024

We are still looking for more of our families to take part in International Evening on Thursday May 23rd. If you would like to share food, cultural demonstrations, dances, crafts or music please email Mrs Groot vgroot@westjesmond.newcastle.sch.uk

Key Stage 1 Yoga Sessions

Year 1 and Year 2 had a very special Green Week visitor, Kainara. She led a calming yoga session, which taught us different poses and helped to develop our understanding of mindfulness.



Time to think about packed lunches.

School council has done a fantastic job at getting our salad bar at West Jesmond. This is helping give the children who have school dinners more choice about what they eat in school and for them to help them eat their five a day.

There are other children in school who opt for a packed lunch. Creating lunches together can be a brilliant way to spend time together and make sure that your children are eating a balanced and varied diet.

Here is a link to help with some new fun packed lunch ideas, [Lunchbox ideas and recipes – Healthier Families - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk/healthierfamilies). These may help you with some inspiration as well as help the children try something new. All you have to do is scroll down the page. You may also find some inspiration for breakfast, dinner, snacks and puddings as well.



French Tutors Wanted!

We work very closely with Jesmond Languages to provide extra French and Spanish Clubs in school. Jesmond languages are currently looking for more tutors and have asked us to share their flyer with our parents to see if there are any linguists amongst our families who would be interested in joining their team?



WANTED: FRENCH SPEAKER/ENTHUSIAST

GOSFORTH, JESMOND AREA

Jesmond Languages is a highly successful French and Spanish Club that teaches languages to local children. We are looking for extra French tutors to help with demand.

- Teaching experience desirable but NOT essential as full training will be given.
- Must have a passion for languages and have a good level of fluency in French.
- 3+ classes per week starting in September, training and shadowing to take place this term.
- Self-employed opportunity.

To find out more, email: languagesjesmond@yahoo.co.uk

Have a lovely weekend everyone!
Matt Ward (Headteacher)

Dates for Your Diary

The Week Ahead

- ❖ Monday 29th April
- ❖ Friday 3rd May

Year 3 Rocks Workshops at Great North Museum
Class 3B Cake Stall

Further Ahead

- ❖ May 13th - 16th
- ❖ Sunday 19th May
- ❖ 20th May – 24th May
- ❖ Wednesday 22nd May
- ❖ Thursday 23th May
- ❖ Friday May 24th

Year 6 SATs Week
Children's Cancer Run
Take One Book Week
School Choir and Djembe Band Jesmond Festival
WJPS International Evening
School Closed: OLT Training Day

- ❖ Monday 3rd June
- ❖ Saturday 8th June
- ❖ Sunday 23rd June
- ❖ Wednesday 3rd July (pm)
- ❖ Monday 8th July
- ❖ Thursday 11th July (pm)
- ❖ Wednesday 17th July
- ❖ Friday 19th July

Back to school
Allotment Open Day
Friends Summer Fair
Year 4 Scottish Opera Performance
Sports Day Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2
Reception Sports Day
Year 6 Graduation Evening
End of Term