



West Jesmond Primary School



The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 3 Summer Term 2022



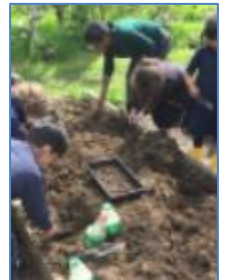
Dear Parents and Carers,

Busy Weekends!

It is beginning to get increasingly busy in and out school and we will start our newsletter reminding everyone about some of the things happening in the next few days and weeks. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join in with our events.

Saturday 14th May - Allotment Open Day for West Jesmond Parents 10-2pm

We look forward to giving lots of our parents the chance to see our fantastic West Jesmond Allotment this weekend. Come and see what our children, including the Year 1 gardeners in the photographs, have been busy working on. We will also have our choir singing and refreshments.



Sunday 15th May - Children's Cancer Run

We think West Jesmond team must be one of the biggest at the event! It has now reached an incredible 157 runners! We look forward to seeing you all at our West Jesmond banners before and after the different runs!

Friday 20th May - Jesmond Festival: West Jesmond Choirs and Djembe Band

There are many great events lined up for the Jesmond Festival this year and the link below will give you lots more information.

[Jesmond Community Festival | Annual Showcase for Community Activities](#)

On Friday morning our choirs and Djembe band will be performing at the Jesmond library. Please join us if you can.



Friday 20th May - Non-Uniform Day and 22nd May - Spring Fair

We are holding non-uniform day for all children on Friday 20th May. We are asking, those who feel able, for donations for the fair. Donations needed are chocolates, bottles or new toys for tombola stalls. Thanks from Friends of WJPS.

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Pupil-Parent Library

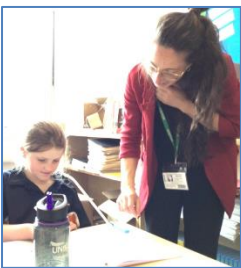
After a Covid-enforced absence, we are delighted to announce that the Pupil-Parent Library will return next week. The library is a free service that provides another source of great books for children of all ages to read and share with their families. Simply come and find us on the main school yard (we'll be under 'The Undercroft'), choose a book and sign it out. The library will be there every Wednesday morning before school and every Friday at the end of the school day, so there'll be plenty of opportunities to sample a wide range of texts. We look forward to discussing the choices with you. If you find you still have books that were taken out of the library pre-pandemic and didn't get the opportunity to return them, please feel free to drop them off. Happy reading! Mr Snelders

Year 6 SATs Stars

This week our Year 6 children have been doing their end of Key Stage 2 SATs tests. We have been so proud of the calm, focussed way they have tackled the different papers and dealing so well with the added pressures of the process. Huge thanks go to all of our Year 6 team for working so hard with our children and thank you at home for your support this week and leading up to the SATs.

Bienvenidos a West Jesmond

On Wednesday afternoon, Year 4 had a wonderful afternoon meeting with 6th form students and Language teachers from Jesmond Park Academy. The teachers and 6th form students assisted the pupils in writing postcards in Spanish. The postcards will be sent off to a school in Trujillo, Peru where Mrs Pocock, our Spanish teacher, has a link. We hope that the pupils in Peru enjoy reading them as much as we enjoyed creating them!



Year 1 Fencers

Year 1 wanted to share with you some pictures showing just how well they did in their recent fencing session. Here they are showing great discipline, balance and poise!



Important: Half Term and Summer Free School Meals

We are very pleased to be able to provide Free school Meal vouchers, £15 per child per week for all families eligible for Free School Meals over the half term and summer holidays. We know these are increasingly difficult times for many of our families and encourage any family who thinks they might be eligible for Free School Meals, maybe through change of circumstances, to talk to us at school about how to apply.

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Can you help with our Oxfam Book Collection?

To help our local Oxfam bookshop raise money to support their fantastic projects around the world, next week we will start collecting any used books that you no longer need at home. In return for a donation of books, your child will get a voucher entitling them to a free book (up to the value of £5) at the Oxfam shop on St George's Terrace. Donations can include any kind of book. This is a fantastic opportunity to make some space at home while supporting this amazing charity!



Year 2 and 6 Class Photographs Thursday 19th May

Children in Year 2 and Year 6 are having their class photographs taken on Thursday next week. Can we ask children in these year groups to come into school in **school uniform**, even if they usually have PE on that day.

A date for your diary

The Friends of West Jesmond are organising a 90's Quiz Night On Friday 17th June. We hope many of our families will be able to attend...but beware the staff quiz teams are ready to go into intensive quiz training very soon!



Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)

(Please see dates for your diary on the next page!)

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Dates for Your Diary

This Weekend

- ❖ Saturday 14th May West Jesmond School Allotment Open Day
- ❖ Sunday 15th May Children's Cancer Run

Next Week

- ❖ Monday 16th May Mindfulness Club (8am)
Northumbria University Wellbeing Project Year 2
- ❖ Tuesday 17th May
10am-11.15am Yr. 3 Parents' Curriculum Drop-in(Art Workshops)
- ❖ Wednesday 18th May Yr. 3 & Yr. 4 Cricket Taster Sessions
Reception Stay & Play (9am)
- ❖ Thursday 19th May Class photos Y2 and Y6
Reception Stay & Play (9am)
- ❖ Friday 20th May Non-Uniform Day For Spring Fair
West Jesmond Festival: Choir/Djembe Performances
Reception Stay & Play (9am)
- ❖ Sunday 22nd May Friends of West Jesmond Spring Fair

Further Ahead

- ❖ **Friday 27th May** **Break up for Half Term**
- ❖ **Monday 6th June** **School Closed for additional Bank Holiday**
- ❖ Tuesday 7th June Start of Summer Term Half Term 2
- ❖ Wednesday 15th June Health Careers Fair Year 5 and Year 6
- ❖ Monday 20th– Weds 22nd June Year 6 Hawkfirst Residential
- ❖ Wednesday 13th– Friday 15th July Year 6 Secondary School Transition Days
- ❖ **Friday 22nd July** **End of Summer Term**

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