



The West Jesmond Family Newsletter End of Summer Term 2026



Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

This is our final newsletter of the school year 2025-26. It gives us the chance to reflect on the past year at West Jesmond Primary and to thank everyone for all they have done to make this another very happy and successful year for our school.

Thank You To Our West Jesmond Children

Once again, our children have inspired and encouraged us all and The West Jesmond Way has shone out through them. Our school has been filled with their daily moments of kindness and care for others, their sense of fun and the huge enthusiasm they show towards all of our activities.

Every child has made progress across the year both academically and socially and we are proud to reflect back with them on all of their achievements!

We are especially proud of everyone who has tried something new and developed interests and skills, and we celebrate the determination of every child who has found an area of learning or school life challenging and has shown resilience to keep trying, to push themselves and make progress that is important to them.

Thank You Parents And All The West Jesmond Family

Thank you, at the end of another school year, to all of our families and carers for the support you have given to your school. Our achievements are all rooted in our partnership with you, and we are always grateful for the time and energy you give to attend our events, trips and workshops, the encouragement you give to our teachers and support staff and above all the support you give to all of our children.

Friends of West Jesmond: Thank You For Another Incredible Year

Even in the last week of term, after all their efforts with the Summer Fair, Cake Stalls and their many fantastic events, the Friends of West Jesmond were still working hard for our children and organised our **Reception Disco!** I know that all of you will join me in extending special thanks to them for another great year of fund raising and events. We are hugely appreciative of the time and effort of the Friends creating all the events that bring so much to our school throughout the year. The Friends' Newsletter this week celebrates another great year!



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Governors

Your governing body has worked tirelessly this year, challenging and supporting us and ensuring the school strives to continuously improve in all we do for the children. We are extremely grateful for the time, experience and knowledge all our governors have so generously provided and that contributes so much to the success of West Jesmond Primary.

Art Design Winner

Following on from a recent winning tradition in Art Competitions that have seen West Jesmond designs on trains, the Metro, charity transport and more, we have another special winning artist! A huge congratulations to our talented Year 6 designer who won the competition to design a gift card wallet for Eldon Square to celebrate their 50th anniversary! Look out for her design on gift cards!



Year 6 Leavers cinema Visit

Year 6 had a fantastic morning treat at the Tyneside Cinema celebrating the end of their time at West Jesmond Primary. A huge thank you to everyone at the Tyneside Cinema for providing such a wonderful end of year experience!

Super Swimmers!

Several weeks ago, we told you about Layla and Stella who were undertaking a huge swimming challenge to raise money for the Teenage Cancer Trust. Layla (10) and Stella (8), have completed their swimming challenge, covering a total of 1,970 lengths, which is equivalent to 30.78 miles (49.25 km). We are very proud of their effort and commitment. They set an initial goal of £1,000, and to date have exceeded this (£1,455), and now very close to achieving their updated target of £1,600. Thanks to all who have supported and donated to date.

Achievers

We have several more special achievers to celebrate. We are very pleased to share the achievements of two swimmers, four children with their belts and certificates for martial arts, three musicians with their Grade 1 awards, a certificate of merit from Panjabi School and a proud dancer! Wel done everyone!



Goodbyes!

This is always a sad time of year at school, as we have to say goodbye to a number of people who are very special to the West Jesmond Family.

Year 6 2026 and Leavers

We would like to say thank you to all of our wonderful Year 6 children for everything they have brought to our school. You have all been West Jesmond Stars! We have watched them grow and develop in so many ways over the last seven years and they leave with our pride, gratitude and very best wishes for the future. We look forward to meeting them in the years ahead and finding out about all the exciting things, they achieve.

Leaving Staff

This week, we say goodbye to a number of our West Jesmond Team. Miss Dixon, Miss Walker, Mrs Horshkova, Miss Thompson, Miss Conlin, Miss Hussain and Miss Pocock are leaving us at the end of the school year. Although we are very sad to say goodbye to each one of them, we are very privileged to have had them working in our school and very proud that each is moving onto exciting new opportunities.

We hope that all children, families and staff who are leaving us this summer will always look back on their time here with great fondness and many very happy memories. You will always be a part of our WJPS Family, and we hope that you will take a small piece of West Jesmond Primary School with you into the future.

And as always....

Our most Important great big final thank you goes again to those who make this school the special place it is... to all the fantastic children of West Jesmond Primary School. It has been a real privilege to work and learn alongside you all. Well done for all your hard work this year, have a great summer full of sunshine and smiles!



Matt Ward (Headteacher)



And slip into summer, relax and enjoy these lovely sunsets painted by Year 4 Art club!

