



The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 8 Summer Term 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

The sun has shone this week on the team putting in place the solar panels on our school roof – what a shame they were not already in place to provide us with much needed cheap energy! However, once again there has been no shortage of energy from our children all across school, especially our Year 6 on their residential visit.



Hawkhurst Residential

A team of very tired Year 6 children (and teachers) arrived back on Wednesday from their residential at Kielder Water. We were so proud of all of our children for tackling the challenges of staying away from home, taking on exciting new activities and chasing off pesky midges! For each child the time away creates the opportunities for personal achievements, big or small. It might have been canoeing across the lake, abseiling from a height, dangling from a tower of crates or being able to look after themselves away from parents. Each one of them will have conquered a fear, grown as person and shared important experiences.

New Reception Parents

It was lovely to welcome our Reception 2022 parents to school this week and to begin our transition for our new children into our school and West Jesmond Family. We look forward to seeing lots of you and your children in school over the next two weeks for the class drop-in sessions.

Year 2 and Year 4 Parent Drop-ins

Thank you to all of our Year 4 and Year 2 parents who were able to come in to school this week. Once again, it was so lovely to see so many of you and share our learning with you.

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Family Support Coffee Morning 28th June: All Welcome

School, home-life, behaviour, bedtimes, wellbeing and mental health, summer activities and opportunities, newly arrived at West Jesmond or in Newcastle...need some quiet advice, just a friendly chat or just a relaxing coffee and conversation with other parents?

All parents and carers are invited to our Family Support Coffee Morning on Tuesday 28th June. The coffee morning is a chance to meet our **West Jesmond Inclusion team** and enjoy a chat and a croissant with other parents.

Our Inclusion Team Cathy Hogan (SENDCo), Verity Groot (EAL and Bilingual Lead), Jacqui Nicholson (Wellbeing & Extended Services Lead), Emma Clark (Family Support Worker) and Sarah Steel (Family Partner) will be there to tell you about what is on offer to our families in school and across the city and to answer questions, offer advice or signpost you to services and opportunities for your child.



Uniform for September 2022

This week you will have received a letter with information about uniforms for next year. Please check carefully to see the changes we are making for September. The review of uniform has been taken in line with the requirement that all schools consider the costs to parents and also to create further consistency across school. There are a number of differences and additional options for parents to purchase clothing with the school colours. Our main change is the return to the school sweatshirt. Parents who have the V-necked jumpers are welcome continue to use them as we make the transition to the sweatshirt.

If you are family who is eligible for free school meals, please talk to the school office about how we can help out with uniform costs.

Job Opportunities at West Jesmond

We have two exciting opportunities to join our staff team from September. You can find details about a Learning Support Assistant post and Administrative Assistant post to work in our school office on the school website or come into school to talk to us to find out more and to discuss the roles.

Important: Seesaw Codes

During the week starting 27th June the current Seesaw codes for all pupils from Y1 to Y6 will expire. Your child will be bringing home a new one in the Home School Reading Record at the start of next week. Please use that one going forward.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

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Dates for Your Diary

- ❖ Friday 1st July Newcastle Sings (Choir)
- ❖ Tuesday 5th July The Big Sing (Choir)
- ❖ Wednesday July 6th Year 3 Enterprise Day
- ❖ Thursday 7th July Year 5 Enterprise Day
- ❖ **Friday 8th July** **Green Day**
- ❖ Tuesday 12th July Key Stage 2 Sports Day (9.30 -12pm RGS field)
- ❖ Wednesday 13th July Key Stage 1 Sports Day (9.30 -12pm RGS field)
- ❖ Thursday 14th July Reception Sports Day (9.30 -12pm School Yard)
- ❖ Wednesday 13th – Friday 15th July Year 6 Secondary School Transition Days
- ❖ Friday 15th July Year 6 Leavers Disco
- ❖ Wednesday 20th July Year 6 Graduation Event (5pm)
- ❖ **Friday 22nd July** **End of Summer Term**

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