

#### The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 6 Spring Term 2025



Brrr! Another rather cold and wet week at West Jesmond – perhaps we have been a bit optimistic calling these Spring Term Newsletters! We do try to get outside as often as we can, but on a couple of dinner times this week the rain defeated us! However, one group of children and staff in Year 4 defied the cold and had an action packed few days on their Robinwood Residential.

We were so proud of all of the children. They, and the staff, bravely took on a range of new and adventurous activities. They worked together as a very kind, caring and supportive team and were able to rise to meet challenges and have many great new experiences.



# Our School Website: West Jesmond Primary - Home

Our school website has lots of information on it for parents. We are always updating it and trying to add useful information. One very important feature of the website is the **translate** feature. By clicking on the circled icon at the top of the website, you can translate all the information, into one of the many languages used by families in our school.





# **Safer Internet Day**

Thank you to Miss MacKellar and our Digital Leaders for leading our assemblies on Wednesday and Thursday this week and talking with all the children about how to keep safe online. The theme this year was '**Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'.** Each class has had an age appropriate series of lessons to help them inform them about being safe digital citizens. If you want any advice about keeping your child safe online please speak to us at school.

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#### Well Done Netball Team

Our netball team competed in the city finals this week. They won their first four games and reached the semi-finals, but just missed out on reaching the final in a hard fought game. The team have made the whole school very proud with their efforts! Thank you Mr Mellons and Miss Dixon for coaching our team.







#### **Year 2 Special Visitors**

Year 2 have had a very eggciting time watching eggs hatch in their classroom! The school has been full of excited cheeps as we have welcomed our new chicks and as we have watched them grow and change over the weeks. Thank you to the families who kindly cared for them over the weekend.



# Year 3 Parents' Maths Workshop

Thank you to all of our Year 3 parents who were able to attend the maths workshop in the hall this week. We hope you found it enjoyable and an interesting insight into your child's learning in this important part of the curriculum. As always, if you have any questions about this, or any other part of your child's learning, please come and speak to the classteacher or one our curriculum leads.



# World Book Day Storytelling Evening 6<sup>th</sup> March

The Friends of West Jesmond are inviting all families to a story telling evening on Thursday 6th March from 5pm - 6pm at school. Come in your pyjamas or dressed as a book character, bring your favourite soft toy and settle down to hear the West Jesmond staff read their favourite bedtime stories. There will be hot chocolate and cookies for sale as well as pre-loved books. Please book a place for each child via Weduc in the payments section - it is £2 per child. All children must be accompanied by an adult (there is no charge for adults).

# Love Your Language Day: Celebrate your Mother Language at City Library

On 24th February 13.00-15:00, there is a fun, family-friendly celebration of language, storytelling and world cultures in honour of International Mother Language Day. You can browse and borrow from the collection of world language books for children and adults, enjoy special multi-lingual Storytimes delivered in Arabic, Spanish and more and get creative with arts and craft activities that celebrate language. The library is also part of **Newcastle City of Sanctuary** scheme, which we are proud to be a part of. **Love Your Language Day at Newcastle City Library – Express Yourself** 

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)

# **Dates for Your Diary**

# Next Week

Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 6 Lego Engineering Workshops
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Writing Workshop R1 Girls Football League (JPA)
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Writing Workshop R2
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents' Writing Workshop R3 Year 4 Trip to El Torero Restaurant
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Cake Stall 3EW

Break up for half term.

# **Further Ahead**

3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup> March West Jesmond Careers Week 2025

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Back to school
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 Trip to Magic Flute at Theatre Royal Friends Storytelling Evening
✤ Thursday March 13 <sup>th</sup>	Northern Stage Shakespeare Performance
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Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	

