

## West Jesmond Primary Family Newsletter 15 Autumn Term 2025



Thank you to all our children, parents and friends, for your support and encouragement over the Autumn Term. It has been lovely to see so many of you in school and at our events over the last few weeks. We think all of our children deserve a lovely break.

### Happy Hannukah and Merry Christmas!

To everyone celebrating Christmas and Hanukkah this week and next week, we hope you have a very enjoyable time and wish peace, light and happiness to all of our families!

### Winter Songs On The Yard



Thank you to everyone who joined in with our Key Stage 2 Winter Songs on Wednesday and Thursday. Sorry about the weather, but we are glad the children were able to share their singing with you to end the term.

We were also warmed by the refreshments provided by the Friends of West Jesmond – thank you!

### Whole School singing at the end of term.

There were more songs on Friday as we continued with our West Jesmond end of term tradition. The whole school gathered on the yard to sing songs and to wish each other happy festive holidays! As always, we finished with a rousing rendition of The Twelve Days of Christmas!

### Christmas Meals

Once again, this term, our fantastic kitchen staff have served thousands of meals to our children. Over the last week, they have been working especially hard when producing hundreds of Christmas dinners! A huge thank you from all of us to the incredibly hard-working team!



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## WJPS Choir Singing In Our Community

Thank you to Mrs Anderson and the school choirs who have been very busy over the last few weeks. They have sung at the Cathedral, the Grainger Market and our school fair. Today they went to entertain the residents of Fleming Court. The children sang Christmas Songs and then the School Council gave out gifts as part of the Be A Santa campaign and wished our friends at Fleming Court a very Happy Christmas!



## Would You Like A Place For Out of School Club?

We currently have a small number of places available at our Breakfast and After School Club and have some flexibility if parents want particular days or sessions. Please contact our school business Manager, Nikki Corbett, in the school office to see what we can offer to suit your needs. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter.



## Take One Book week 2026!

When we return to school after Christmas, we dive straight into our annual Take One Book Week. Every year we hold this special event to give us a lovely start to the new term. The whole school will be sharing the same book and taking part in lots of exciting activities based around the book, poetry and art!



## Cup Success

Congratulations to our Year 5/Year 6 Girls' Football Team. The team played their Becky's MNDA Cup second round fixture against Kingston Park Primary School. The match was played at Jesmond Park Academy. The girls played some fantastic football winning their cup fixture and have progressed to the next round. Well Done to all the team!



## Jesmond Walking Advent Calendar

Don't forget to look out for the advent calendar windows in building across Jesmond! You can see our creation here in the window outside the Year 3 and 4 stairs.

There are a number of other activities for families in Jesmond over the next couple of weeks, including Christmas Crafts at the library.



## Achievers

Here is a picture of a proud dancer who came to share trophy with us this week!

We also have a talented musician who has passed his Grade 6 piano exam with the highest mark of distinction!



And finally... from all of us, including Mrs Nelson's horse Hunter who is looking very Christmassy, we wish the warmest seasons greeting to all of our West Jesmond children and families. We hope you all Have a lovely holiday everyone and we look forward to seeing you all in 2026!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)



## Dates for Your Diary

### Further ahead

- ❖ **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January** Start of the Spring Term 2026
- ❖ **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> WJPS Take One Book Week!**
  
- ❖ **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January** 5S to Sunderland Winter Gardens
- ❖ **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January** 5D to Sunderland Winter Gardens
- ❖ **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January** Online Safety Workshop for parents (9am)
- ❖ **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January** 5TG to Sunderland Winter Gardens
- ❖ **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Weds 11<sup>th</sup> February** Year 4 Robinwood Residential
- ❖ **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February** KS1 Disco (3.30-5pm)
- ❖ **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** School Closed for OLT Training Day
- ❖ **Half Term Holiday**
- ❖ **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February** Back to school
- ❖ **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** Careers and Enterprise Week
- ❖ **Weds 4<sup>th</sup> – Tues 10<sup>th</sup>** Scholastic Book Fair in school
  
- ❖ **Break up for Easter Holiday Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**
- ❖ **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April Start of Summer Term**
  
- ❖ **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May** International Evening
- ❖ **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May** Break up for Half Term
  
- ❖ **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June** Back to school
- ❖ **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July** End of Summer Term





West Jesmond Primary  
School

# Breakfast and After School Club

MONDAY TO FRIDAY



## SERVICES PROVIDED:

- Breakfast Club  
8-8.45am  
£7.50 pp, per session
- After School Club  
3.20-5.55pm  
£15.50 pp, per session
- 10% sibling discount applied to  
subsequent child bookings

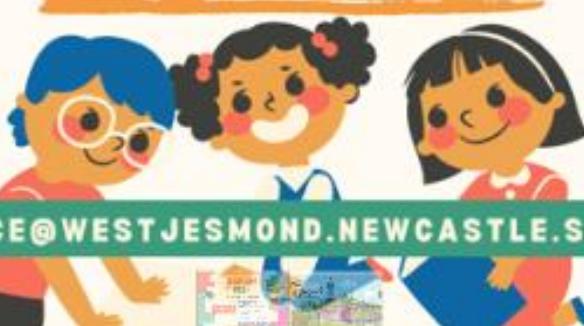


AVAILABLE  
TO ALL:  
RECEPTION-  
Y6



**Sessions now available! Please  
contact the office for further  
details**

(subject to confirmation and demand)



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