

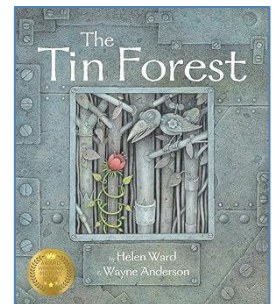


## West Jesmond Primary Family Newsletter 2 Spring Term 2026



### Take One Book week 2026

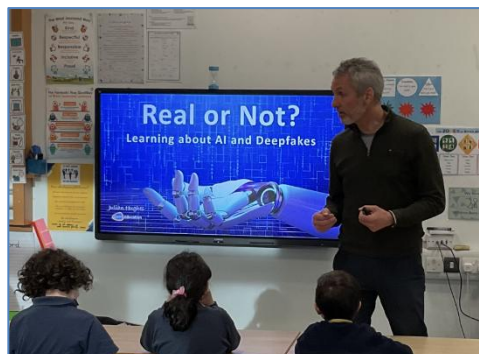
We hope your children talked to you about their activities during Take One Book Week. We really enjoyed this creative and fun start to the new year. On Friday, we finished our whole school project in style by hosting an exhibition of our English and art work from throughout school. We were so pleased that so many of you came and enjoyed listening to our poets perform, our artists showcase their wonderful creations and even got to demonstrate your creative skills at Miss McKay's plasticine masterclass. Together we truly brought the Tin Forest to life!



### Online Safety

Thank you to the parents who were able to come to our online safety session with our consultant Julian Hughes. We hope you found it helpful and informative.

Julian also worked with Year 4 this week. He ran an online safety workshop all about AI. We learnt all about which devices use artificial intelligence, how it can be useful and how we can spot deepfakes.



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

We currently have a 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.



### Year 4 Went a Wassailing



On Friday Year 4 went to the Jesmond Community Orchard to take part in a traditional Wassail. We welcomed the extremely exciting return of Our Green man! We did our best to encourage the spirits in the apple trees to give us a good harvest. The children dressed in green, carried ivy and banged and shook our instruments to awaken our trees! We also sang our Wassail song accompanied by Mrs Anderson on the accordion.

We are all looking forward to visiting the orchard later in the year to see the fruits of our visit!

### Be A Santa

Thank you to everyone who, so generously, donated to the Be A Santa Campaign before Christmas. We have had some lovely messages from the people who received the gifts and wanted to share one with you as a thank you to all the West Jesmond Family.

*'I just wanted to say a huge thank you to the children and staff of West Jesmond School who came to sing at Fleming Court before Christmas.*

*My mother is a resident there and we had a wonderful morning listening to the children singing, they were so full of smiles and joy, they were so well behaved and delightful. She was also given the most beautiful gift, which was incredibly kind, thoughtful and generous (photo attached).*

*The children are a real credit to themselves and the school, you must be very proud of them. '*



### Achievers

At the end of our Take One Book week looking at the Tin Forest, we were shown these fantastic models of insects – all of which could have appeared in the book. Here is photograph of a very talented model maker!



Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)



## Dates for Your Diary

### Next Week

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| ❖ Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January | KS2 Boccia Festival |
| ❖ Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January    | Cake Stall 6MO      |

### Further ahead

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| ❖ Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> January                            | Year 4 Trip to El Torero               |
| ❖ Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February                            | Choir of The Year (Glasshouse)         |
| ❖ 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> March         | Scholastic Book Fair in school         |
| ❖ Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March                             | Shakespeare Performance Northern Stage |
| ❖ Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> & Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>       | Parent Consultation Evenings           |
| ❖ Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March                              | Comic Relief                           |
| ❖ Break up for Easter Holiday Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April |  |
| ❖ Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April Start of Summer Term         |  |
| ❖ Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May                                | Children's Cancer Run                  |
| ❖ 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

AVAILABLE  
TO ALL:  
**RECEPTION -  
Y6**



## 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



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

(subject to confirmation and demand)



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