

John F. Kennedy Primary School

The Buzz Newsletter



Friday 6th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's great to be back after the holidays, and we now start the final half-term before the summer.

Nursery Open Evening: Last night we held an open evening for potential new nursery starters, it was great to see so many familiar faces attend. We enjoyed showing off our wonderful provision and received lots of positive feedback from families. We still have spaces available for September 25 intake, please contact our school office for more information. We quite often share photos of the provision/enhancements linked to the children's learning on our school Facebook page and started a new Instagram page in September 24. Please follow [eyfs_j.f.k](#) to follow our Early Years journey.

Sports at JFK: This week, pupils across the school have been taking part in different sports as part of their PE lessons. I have seen some amazing cheer-leading routines and accurate archery shots. Unfortunately, year 6 had to have their orienteering session postponed due to the awful weather on Thursday. Fingers crossed for sunshine next week.

Year 1 Phonics Check: Next week, children in year 1 will sit their phonics screening check (PSC). The children have been working very hard in their phonics sessions this year, in preparation for the check. All children have been given a list of real and pseudo-words in their book bags to practice reading over the weekend. Please make every effort to go through it with your child, as well as recapping all sounds taught this year from their phonics homework folder, so they can prepare themselves fully for next week.

Year 4 Multiplication Check: Over the next two weeks, all pupils in year 4 will be completing their multiplication check (MTC).

Derwent Hill: Our year 6 pupils are off on their residential to Derwent Hill this weekend – I know they're going to have an amazing time, full of adventures. I can't wait to hear all about it from them on Monday. Look out on Facebook for updates and photos!

York Parent Meeting: On Thursday 19th June, there will be a parent information meeting for the year 5 pupils who are attending our residential in York. The meeting will begin at 4pm and take place in the school hall, which you will be able to enter via the small gate to the left-hand side of the school office.

Attendance: This week our attendance is 89.98%, and our running total since the start of the year has dropped to 93.82% The class with the highest attendance in Key Stage 1 was 2MA, and in Key Stage Two was 3GB.

Class	Nurs	RAM	RES	1AP	1MT	2JW	2MA	3DF
Attendance	89.49	97.88	92.78	86.75	85.51	88.89	93.59	86.11
Class	3GB	4AF	4BK	5MA	5RN	6LM	6PP	TH
Attendance	96.67	88.89	85.32	88.44	88.19	92.74	92.86	90.74

JFK Superstars: Lilly H (4BK) took part in her first ever dance competition on Sunday 1st June. She danced a fast dance, in front of hundreds of people and got recalls all the way to the semi-finals. She then danced her slow dance and just missed out on making it through to the semi-finals, but she was brilliant for this being her first try. She received a winner's sash and trophy for her fast dance and a medal for her slow dance. Well done, Lilly!



Lola R (RAM) has had a fantastic week in sports. She received two trophies, the first for being footballer of the week and the second for gymnast of the week. Well done, Lola!

Year 5 Football: Last night, our year 5 football team took part in the Washington Primary Schools Year 5 tournament at Biddick Academy.

Their first game of the night saw them take on St John Boste. This was a game dominated by JFK, with the opposition not having an effort on goal. JFK were able to break the deadlock - a well worked bit of passing finding Jacob L, who powered his shot past the keeper. Great defending from Ted C, Flynn M and Oliver H prevented St John Boste from even getting past the half way line. The game finished 1-0 to JFK.

The second game saw the team take on Biddick Primary. This was a very tight game, with both teams having chances on goal in the early stages. Biddick had the best chance of the game and took it with a powerful effort finding the bottom corner. This proved to be the pivotal moment of the game, the score ending 1-0 to Biddick.

Our next game was against Rickleton. JFK showed good teamwork in this game, carving out chances early on. Dane L was on the end of a pass from Jude C to open the scoring. In the final seconds of the game, Rickleton were able to find an equaliser with a header from a corner. The game ending 1-1.

Straight after the close contest with Rickleton, the team took on St Bedes. This was yet another tight game with not much in it. With a minute to go, St Bedes found the winner - capitalising on a loose ball to break into the box and fire it into the bottom corner. Despite losing the game 1-0, JFK showed great determination to try and get back into the game against the team who would go on to win the competition.

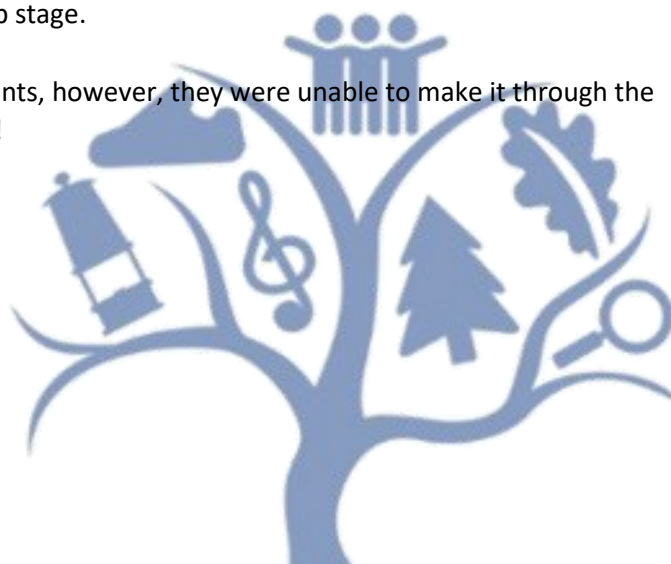
The final game of the group stage saw JFK take on Our Lady. This was an excellent display from both teams, who battled well and showed good technical ability on the ball. Calvin S, Jude C, and Jacob L all saw chances saved by the keeper or stopped by last second blocks. Ben G made a good save in the final minutes to keep the score level. The final whistle confirmed the 0-0 draw and the end of the group stage.

It was a tremendous effort from the team finishing with 5 points, however, they were unable to make it through the group stage. Well done to everyone who played on the night!

Have a lovely weekend.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "B. H. Adams".

Mr B. Adams - Head of School



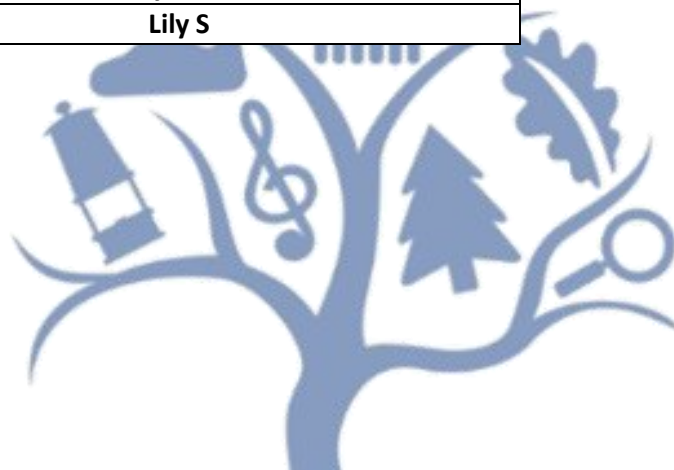


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Stars of the Week



Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Reception	RAM	Max A Macie N
	RES	Leo C Asher S
One	1AP	Klayton R Clara T
	1MT	Alex S Albie L
Two	2MA	Eve D Mason R
	2JW	Max F Mia M
Three	3DF	Harry R Charlotte T
	3GB	Sorch G Honey D
Four	4AF	Ronin S Oliver R
	4BK	Charlie B Jason F
Five	5RN	Sophia H-H Mohammed A
	5MA	Katie C Tymon B
Six	6PP	Heidi S Evie J
	6LM	Lauren C Georgia T
Treehouse	TLC	Dylan C
	TNP	Lily S



Timetables

PE Lessons: This year we are asking for pupils wear their normal school uniform and bring their PE kit on the day of their lesson, where they will have time to get changed. Just to remind that the PE kit should be a plain white t-shirt (not a football shirt), black shorts or black jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers. A jumper can also be worn. At this time of year, PE is generally on the yard or field depending on the weather.

Week Commencing: 9 th June		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Year 1 Year 4 (swimming)	Year 3
Tuesday		Year 2
Wednesday	Reception	Year 4
Thursday	Treehouse	Year 5 (5MA & 5RN) Year 6
Friday		5RN – Swimming

Forest School: Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for their session – **long sleeves and trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat if possible**. No additional accessories should be worn. Forest School still takes place when raining, and we don't want children sitting in class with wet clothes, so it would be useful to provide spare clothing/shoes on the day.

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Monday	Year 5 (5MA & 5RN)	Reception
Tuesday		
Wednesday	Treehouse	
Thursday		Nursery
Friday	Nursery	1AP

