

John F. Kennedy Primary School

The Buzz Newsletter



Friday 21st June 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Car Parking: Yesterday morning, our key stage 2 school councillors met with Councillor Linda Williams. We asked to meet with Councillor Linda to discuss the issue we have around parking on the pavements around school. Councillor Linda was very impressed with our posters that had been made to promote safer parking, which will be shown again on our school fences.



Moving forward we have agreed to put an action plan in place! The children were an absolute credit to the school and Councillor Linda was very impressed with the way they spoke about our concerns and by the responses we gave to her questions.



Sunderland Sings: On Wednesday, some of our year 5 children visited Sunderland Empire to join in the Sunderland Sings event with a number of other schools from across Sunderland. They all sang beautifully, and loudly, and were a credit to the school displaying exemplary behaviour. One teacher from another school was very impressed with our enthusiasm during "Eye of the Tiger by Survivor".

Colour Run: This week, we sent out information regarding our sponsored Colour Run on Friday 5th July, which will happen alongside Washington 60 celebrations. The aim of the run is to raise money to improve our school playgrounds. We hope that you're just as excited for the event as we all are in school. The children have been talking about it all week and are looking forward to it! More information regarding the event can be found on the letter sent out via ParentPay this week and should you have any further questions, please contact the school office where a member of the Colour Run team will be happy to answer them!

Staff Sponsored Walk: We are excited to announce that the staff at JFK will be participating in a sponsored walk this Sunday to raise funds for St. Benedict's Hospice & Centre for Specialist Palliative Care. This incredible organisation provides compassionate care and support for individuals and families facing life-limiting illnesses.

Many of our staff have had family members cared for by St. Benedict's, and this is our way to give something back to them. We are joining together to walk from South Shields Pier to Seaburn Pier to show our solidarity and support to this vital cause. If you would like to sponsor our staff, please use the following link: <https://gofund.me/55e21530>



Yr6 Transition: Just a quick reminder that our yr6 pupils will be on transition next week Tuesday-Thursday. We hope they enjoy the 3 days.

Attendance: This week's attendance is 92.05%. The class with the highest attendance is 5DF with 97.5%!

Incident in Washington: Thank you for your understanding yesterday and messages of support as we put measures in place around school to keep all pupils safe.

JFK Superstars: Lucas was excited to show reception his trophy from football. He said he got his trophy for excellent football this year at his football presentation with Washington United FC. Lucas told us that one day he even did a bicycle kick! Well done, Lucas.



Oliver C, Louie H, and George H (2MA) all had a busy time at their football presentation. They all received a trophy for trying really hard to improve their skills all season. Oliver and Louie were also recognised by their manager and the rest of the team for their continuous effort. Well done boys!



Darcy (5DF) plays for the under 11's lionesses and on Sunday they won a football tournament. They played for 6 matches and she delivered an excellent performance as their goal keeper and they went all the way to penalties on the final game and won 1-0, with Darcy saving all 3 penalties for her team to win.

Makaton: This week's Makaton sign was for 'good morning', we hope you saw our video on Facebook. Next week the sign we are asking all classes to learn will be for 'friend'.

Key Dates Reminder: Just a polite reminder of the key dates we have coming up this term:

25.06.24 – 28.06.24	Year 6 Transition to Secondary Schools	Year 6
03.07.24	Treehouse (Fox and Hedgehog) Sports Afternoon and Picnic – 1:30pm	Treehouse – Foxes and Hedgehogs
04.07.24	Year 1/2 Sports Day - 9.30am	Year 1 and 2
04.07.24	Early Years Sports Day - 1.30pm	Nursery and Reception
05.07.24	Year 5/6 Sports Day – 9.15am Year 3/4 Sports Day - 10.45am	Year 5 and 6 Year 3 and 4
05.07.24	Whole School Picnic to celebrate Washington 60 – 12.15pm	Whole School
09.07.24	Treehouse (Squirrel) Sports Afternoon and Picnic – 1:30pm	Treehouse – Squirrels
10.07.24	Summer Fayre – 3.30pm	Whole School
11.07.24	Reception visit to Beamish	Reception
11.07.24	Year 6 Leavers' Performance – 2.00pm	Year 6
12.07.24	Year 6 Leavers' Performance – 9.30am	Year 6
12.07.24	Early Years Graduation – 1.45pm	Nursery and Reception
12.07.24	Reports Home to Parents	Whole School
15.07.24 & 16.07.24	Open Afternoons 1.30pm – 3.20pm	Whole School
17.07.24	Leavers' Lunch	Year 6
18.07.24	Whole School Picnic - 12.30pm	Whole School
22.07.24	SUMMER HOLIDAYS – SCHOOL CLOSED	Whole School

Have a lovely weekend.

Mr B Adams - Head of School



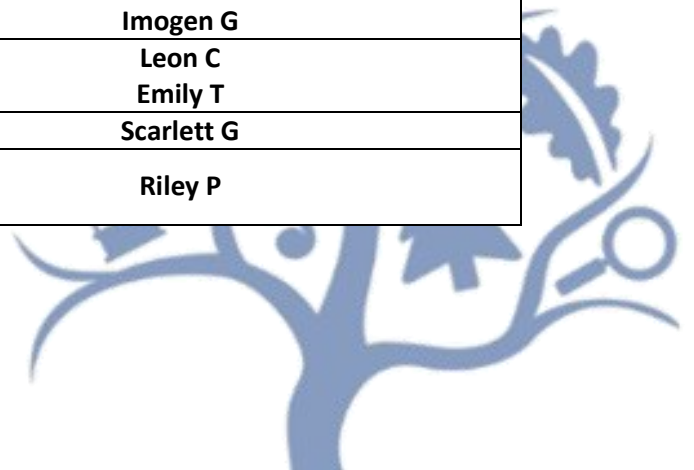


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Stars of the week

Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NAO	Harrison M Dominic W
Reception	RSC/MO	Rosie S Darcie-Mai G
	RAM	Hannah H Elijah J
One	1AP	Thomas P Arthur S
	1ES	Katie H Jack M
Two	2FM	Nancy H Ceejay C
	2MA	Milly S Sophia C
Three	3MS	Lacey-Mae B Jackson M-B
	3JW	Sophia S Joel M
Four	4AF	Olivia S Alfie K
	4BK	Shyla C Katie C
Five	5RN	William H Charlie F
	5DF	Henry A Amelia T
Six	6PP	Henry C Imogen G
	6LM	Leon C Emily T
Treehouse	TSK	Scarlett G
	TNP	Riley P



Timetables

PE Lessons: Children can wear their PE kit to school on the day. **This is a plain white t-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers.** Please make sure that the shorts are appropriate for school – some have been getting very short. No additional accessories should be worn. At this time of year, we aim to have PE outside on the yard or field if the weather is suitable, however we do still ask that children have a jumper or jacket with them.

Week Commencing 24 th June		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Year 4 Swimming Year 1	Year 6 Year 5 (all) football session
Tuesday	Treehouse – Squirrel Class and Fox Class	Year 2
Wednesday		Reception
Thursday	Year 3 Treehouse – Hedgehog Class	Year 4
Friday	Nursery Squirrel Class Swimming	5DF 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.

Week Commencing 24 th June		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	3MS	RSC/MO
Tuesday		Year 4
Wednesday	Treehouse	2FM and 2MA
Thursday		RAM
Friday	1AP	Nursery

