

Weekly Newsletter

1st March 2024

Upcoming dates



March

4th - 8th Fairtrade 30th Anniversary Celebration Week

4th House Music Choirs

5th B Team Netball Tournament, Les Ormes

7th World Book Day

8th Reception Mother's Day Assembly, 14.00

11th Fairtrade Cup Cake Bake Off Competition

11th & 12th Orthoptic Department in for Reception Eye

Checks (and any new to island & school children up to Year 3)

12th Year 5 Swim Gala, Langford, 13.15

12th Year 3 Egyptian Day

13th Junior and Senior Choir, Choral Showcase,

Methodist Centre, 9.30

13th C Team Netball Tournament, Les Ormes

15th Red Nose Day

Dates continued



15th Swimarathon, Les Quennevais, 10.00

19th Reports

19th Year 6 Swim Gala, Langford, 13.15

20th Whole School Photograph

21st Year 3 Assembly, Hall, 14.00

21st Down Syndrome Awareness Day - wear odd socks

21st Parent Teacher Meetings, 15.00-18.00

25th Parent Teacher Meetings 17.00-19.00

26th Year 4 Sparks - Fire Service

27th Year 4 Mont Orgeuil Visit

27th Last day of term

April

15th Inset, school closed to pupils 16th Start of Summer term

To help our working parents we have added the dates for the school year to our <u>website</u>

^{*}date change

Headteacher's Message

Year 3 and 4 competed in the French Eisteddfod earlier this week. It's fair to say they took the audience by storm!

All classes received either gold or platinum certificates which really shows how high the standard was and this was only our first year!

Congratulations to Mrs Killick's class who won the class trophy!

Congratulations to Sanyukta in 3D who won a Gold certificate and came runner up in the set verse class. Well done Sanyukta!

Congratulations also to Emilia and Alice in Year 4 who also won gold and platinum certificates in the native speaker section.



New Field

Work has begun in earnest in the new school field. Children in Key Stage 2 got their wellies on and began the planting of our new perimeter hedge this week. The decision was made not to include our younger children as with the amount of rain we have recently had we were concerned that they might sink and never be seen again! Once the ground firms up a permanent fence will also be added to the perimeter to ensure safety for all. Watch this space for more field developments!













Open Day

Please look out for an email sent this afternoon inviting you to our annual Open Day on Thursday 25th April.

Class/Year/Group Photo Orders Bentley Photographic

A reminder that the school class/year/group photos are available to order through Bentley Photographic. Please refer to the small Bentley Photographic ticket that your child will have brought home on the day, which contains the code to view and order your photos. If the ticket has been misplaced or you require any further information, please contact support@bentleyphoto.com and they will be happy to assist. The last date to order for the free school delivery is Tuesday 12th March.

Drop Off Pick Up Trial

We are really pleased with the difference this is making in the main car park in alleviating a lot of the previous problems.

We continue to try and improve this where we can.

Please could we ask those parents using the drop off/pick up at the Admin car park to arrive as close to their allotted time as possible. This will avoid a build up of cars which causes congestion issues along Claremont Road. We are unable to welcome the children into school until 8am when staff are on duty to supervise.

If you are picking up a Key Stage 2 child, please do not arrive before 3.05 pm as the children will not be out of class yet. If you arrive early, you will need to drive around again in order to keep the flow of traffic moving. There is no space to park up and wait.

In order for the drop off/pick up to be successful, we need to keep the traffic flowing as quickly as we can. Please could we remind you that, where possible, you do not get out of your cars and children should practice to strap themselves in to help with a speedy exit.



Eco News — Fairtrade celebrations!

This year is the 30th anniversary of Fairtrade and as a Fairtrade School – we would like to continue to raise awareness of what Fairtrade is amongst our pupils and – once again – raise money for the Jersey Fairtrade Group.

Please see attached details about our 'JCP School Fairtrade Cup Cake Bake Off' on Monday 11th March.

From Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March - our lunchtime assistants will be armed and ready with Fairtrade stickers - looking out for Fairtrade items or foods made from Fairtrade ingredients in lunchboxes. We would love to spot some Fairtrade snacks during morning breaktimes too.

Remember to look out for the 'Fairtrade' logo in your local supermarket and 'Buy Fairtrade!'

Thank you for helping us to support Fairtrade!

Mrs Christopher and the Eco Team

Year 2 St Catherine's Lifeboat Station Visit

On Monday of this week Year 2 enjoyed a fantastic trip to St Catherine's lifeboat station. They were warmly welcomed to the station and learned all about the wonderful work the charity does and the invaluable service the volunteers provide the island.

The highlight of their trip was the opportunity to climb onboard a genuine lifeboat!











Don't forget

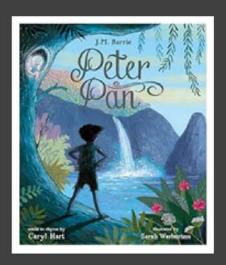




Thursday 7th March

The focus is on the classic novel 'Peter Pan' by J.M. Barrie.





Please see our letter from 9th February for more information

Please remember that all children need to have trainers on so that they can safely move around the school and play outside.

Music News - Mrs Tieppo House Music

The Music Room has been filled with many performers taking part in House Music throughout the week and it has been wonderful to see so many children participating. The singing and piano classes have been particularly popular and I have been very grateful to the six adjudicators who visited school to help with the judging.

Well done to all the children who have performed this week.

House Music will end on the afternoon of Monday 4th March with the House Choir competition which will be held in the JCG school Hall. The winners of each of the sections will also be announced and by the end of the afternoon the trophy will be awarded to the winning House. It promises to be fully of energy, plenty of cheering and lots of fun. Years 1 – 6 will attend the event and all children in these year groups are invited to wear House colour accessories on this day. This could include socks, hair accessories, hats etc.

We do not have the capacity to accommodate parents but we will take plenty of photos, sound recordings and video clips which we will share with you.



Junior and Senior Choir

The Choral Showcase is drawing near and Junior and Senior choir are busy preparing for this. The even takes place on 13th March, starting at 9.30am at the Methodist Centre.

Save the Date

On Tuesday 7th May we are very excited to have our first ever Spring Music Concert. This will include performances from Junior and Senior Choir, the Young Voices Choir, Strings ensemble, Wind ensemble and the ukulele club. The concert will begin at 6pm in the JCG school hall and all parents are warmly invited to come and enjoy listening to a celebration of the many musical opportunities on offer at JCP.

Message from Jersey Music Service Yamaha: Find Your Sound Experience

We are writing to inform you about an exciting event aimed at introducing young people to the world of woodwind and brass instruments. On Saturday 9th March, Yamaha (in association with Island Music, Jersey Music Service and Jersey Academy of Music) will be filling the Radisson Blu Hotel with sound.

This is a free experience designed to allow children to try out different instruments under the guidance of experienced musicians, with the goal of sparking interest and excitement about learning an instrument.

Visit us from 11.30am - 4.00pm to explore a wide selection of woodwind and brass instruments, for children in Years 2 - 13, adults are also very welcome.

Do you already play a woodwind or brass instrument? Come and have a try on a selection of intermediate and professional Yamaha models.

For more information please visit https://www.jms.je/event/yamaha-find-your-sound-experience/





Clubs Next Week

Monday

Ukulele, 15.00-16.00, Meet in Year 4

Tuesday

Strings Ensemble, 12.30-12.55, Music Room Senior Choir, 15.00-16.00, Hall

Wednesday

Wind Ensemble, 12.30-12.55, Music Room

Thursday

Junior Choir, Year 3&4, 12.30 - 12.55, Music Room

Friday

Orchestra, 8-8.45, Music Room Signing Choir, 12.30-12.55, Music Room



Clubs Next Week

Monday

Year 6 Netball Club, 15.00-16.15, Netball Court

Tuesday

Year 2 Multi-sports, 12.00-12.30, Hall

Wednesday

Year 3 & 4 Hockey Club, 12.00-12.30, Netball Court Year 5 & 6 Athletics Club, FB Fields

Thursday

Year 5 Netball club, 15.00-16.15, Netball Court

Fixtures Next Week

Monday 4th March

Netball A Team vs St Clement (home)
Netball B Team vs St Michael's B Team (home)
Netball C Team vs First Tower (away)

Thursday 7th March

Football vs Bel Royal (home)

Saturday 9th March

Year 5 & 6 Hockey Tournament, Les Quennevais

Jersey College Foundation

Prepare

The Prepare exam preparation programme, offers intensive courses in each of the major GCSE and A level subjects. Sessions are taught by expert teachers and have a focus on exam skills, key question types and core knowledge.



The programme will run from Tuesday 2nd April to Friday 5th April 2024. Full details of the courses available, and a link to our shop for booking can now be found on our website at jcg.je/prepare

LEAP (Leadership and Entrepreneurship Accelerator Programme)

The LEAP programme develops business, entrepreneurial and leadership skills through launching social enterprise projects to target key global issues. International teams of students formulate their own ideas into a business pitch. Global experts act as coaches, mentors and guides. Finally they act as investors, ready to provide funding in a Dragon's Den like final pitch.

https://jerseycollegeforgirls.com/pages/jc-foundation/leap

BioMedical Leadership

If you are considering or are curious about a career in the biomedical field, our summer leadership programme will give you a hands on experience on a unique and diverse island. The programme is led by experts from top UK universities, Jersey General Hospital and Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust.

https://jerseycollegeforgirls.com/pages/jc-foundation/biomedical-leadership

Polyphony

We do have limited spaces available for music lessons for piano, violin, cello and singing. If your child is interested, please use the link below to complete the application form.

<u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?</u>
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Further information regarding music tuition can be found via this link:

https://jerseycollegeforgirls.com/pages/jc-foundation/polyphony



Creative Minds Challenge Days

Racing Challenge, 23rd March Robot Challenge, 20th April

https://jerseycollegeforgirls.com/pages/jcfoundation/creative-minds/creative-minds-challengedays

Creative Minds Camp

Creative Minds Holiday Camps for Years 1 to 6. Each exciting camp is designed to stimulate your son or daughter with creative challenges and fun. https://jerseycollegeforgirls.com/pages/jc-foundation/creative-minds/creative-minds-camp



Creative Minds Hub

Chinese Dumpling Evening, 6th March SOLD OUT South American Food Evening, 15th March, SOLD OUT Sushi Evening, 3rd May SOLD OUT

jcg.je/creative-minds-hub