

Jotmans Hall Primary School

Headteacher's Newsletter

Summer 2022



Well we've done it, we've managed a whole year in school without any lockdowns. Staff and pupils have worked tirelessly to try to fill the gaps that were inevitably left by the disruption of the pandemic. Although it's not quite over yet, the Summer term has meant a further return to 'normality' with lots of our well-loved events returning.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Open Classroom and Art Show at the end of June. The queue to get in wound around the car park, which was lovely to see. The children were able to show you their work for the first time in two years, and were rightly proud to show off their work and their classroom to you all. Once again, I was staggered by the variety and quality of work on display at our Art Show. The progression of skills was clear to see throughout the classes.



We were also delighted to see so many parents at our Sports Day. It was a brilliant occasion for the children. For the children in EYFS and KS1, it was their first 'proper' sports day with

parents being able to watch.

Well Done to the cup winners: EYFS/KS1 – Rubies and KS2 – Diamonds. The overall house winners will be announced at the End of Year Assembly on Friday.



We were given a final challenge in the last few days of school, with a heatwave. The children managed so well coping with the extreme temperatures. Beech Class came up with a very novel way of keeping cool. Can you spot what it was?



Through these events it has been so nice to finally meet parents of our younger children and those who are new to the school. Many parents have expressed an interest in helping with the different events we run. The Friends of Jotmans Hall (our PTA) will be holding a coffee morning on:

FoJH Coffee Morning

Thursday 15th September,

9.00am – 10.30am.

All are welcome to come and find out about how you can help support the school and help to run some fun events for the children. It would be brilliant if we had enough volunteers to run a Christmas Fair again this year, so I really hope you can make it.

Finally, it's a fond farewell to our wonderful Year 6. We wish you all the luck in your new schools and your future. Make sure you come back to see us and let us know how you are getting on. We are going to miss you.

To everyone else, have a lovely summer break and we'll see you back on the 5th September.

S. Warnes

Ms S Warnes – Headteacher

E.R.I.C. Awards

Congratulations
to everyone who has
achieved ERIC awards
this term.

We've had:

15 Bronze Awards

21 Silver Awards

17 Gold Awards

37 Exceptional E.R.I.C.s



Reading Certificates

Well Done to all the children that have achieved their Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, Super (for reading 200 times!) & Amazing (for reading 250 times!!) certificates for reading.



Some of our Year 6 children reading with our Year 1 children.

Maths Certificates

Well Done to all the children that have achieved their Copper, Bronze, Silver, Gold & Platinum certificates for achieving their maths targets.



NEWS:

SCHOOLS TRIPS ARE BACK!

Following the lifting of all COVID restrictions, school trips came back with a vengeance. Trips were taken to Danbury for the Year 4 residential, Barleylands, Thorndon Country Park, Royal Gun Powder Mills, Layer Marney Tower and the Year 6 residential to Stubbers Adventure Park. We also managed trips to sporting events and music festivals. It's been a very, very, very busy term!!



Sycamore Class- The Layer Marney Tower

***Reading in the
Classroom activity
(Maple Class)***





Beech Class at Thorndon Woods



Stubbers

2022



Acorn Class at Barleylands Farm



Making bread at Barleylands Farm – just like 'The Little Red Hen'.



The School Choir at The Cliffs Pavilion

FRENCH DAY



Year 6 children supporting our younger children during French Day

All the children had the opportunity to practise their French language skills during our French Day. They got to try out lots of different vocabulary as well as sampling some delicious French cheese!

SECONDHAND UNIFORM

If you have a sort out over the summer and have any good quality uniform that no longer fits your child, please bring it into the school (clean please!). We are hoping to hold a nearly-new sale in the Autumn term.



WE'RE STILL COLLECTING STAMPS!



Please remember to carry on collecting your stamps – we are collecting them for a worthy cause – **The Bone Cancer Research Trust**.

For up to date information about our events please check your eSchools messages.

School Dinners



Reminder! - Please ensure you log-in and pay for the dinners that have been taken.



'THE KEYMASTER' PERFORMANCE

Year 5 & 6 put on a fantastic end of the year show called 'The Keymaster'. The whole school enjoyed watching their dress rehearsal and parents could then come along to see the performances. All seemed to thoroughly enjoy it, with some parents moved to tears by the message the play conveyed. – 'Today is the History of tomorrow – so look after our planet.'

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



SEE YOU BACK ON

MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER 2022

P.S.: Look out for these events next term.....

