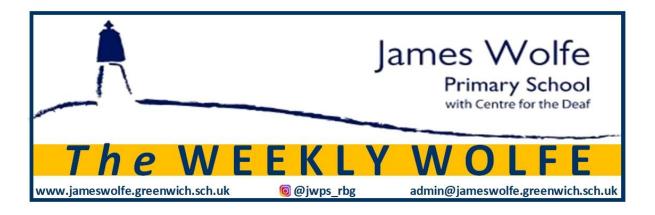
Thursday 3rd November 2022



Dear Parents,



After a lovely break, it was great to see the children back in school this week. They have been full of positive energy and continue to bring a thirst for learning into the classroom.

Since joining James Wolfe, I have noticed how kind the children are with one another and the playground buddies are fantastic, particularly with the younger children. We had our first School Council meeting this week and the children were amazing! Led by their suggestions, we have decided our focus will be helping others. We will be learning about and collecting for the local food bank, asking for old Christmas jumpers for a sale and organising a toy swap before Christmas. Keep your eyes peeled for posters and information in the Weekly Wolfe.

Next week, we will be celebrating Anti-Bullying week a little early. Although it is rare, we do take it seriously and believe that it is important to teach the children about what bullying is, what they should do in the event that they witness it or are a victim and how bullying can affect us. We want the children to leave James Wolfe as confident young people, able to thrive and deal with challenges presented to them. The theme for this year is **Reach Out: reach out to someone you trust to talk**.

To mark this week, Friday 11th November is Odd Socks Day! It's an opportunity for children to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!



Every year group have organised activities and leaders will be delivering assemblies. These may include looking at books, circle time, art activities and much, much more! By talking about these issues, we hope that children become both confident about reporting any concerns and aware of their actions. Here are some great books to talk to your child about at home:

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards, Ms Gallagher





PLACE2BE UPDATE

Emily Wasp, School Project Manager, writes:

I hope you all had a good Half Term break. It has been so lovely to see the children again this week and I hope they are having a great start to this half of term, which will take us up to Christmas! I wanted to take this opportunity to say "Hello!" and remind you of how Place2Be continues to support the children, parents and staff of James Wolfe Primary School.

Services that Place2Be offers:

Place2Talk is our lunchtime confidential drop-in service, where children can refer themselves and request a time to talk through anything that is troubling them. Children continue to use this service regularly and it enables them to manage their emotions and help them develop strategies for dealing with tricky situations.

Place2Think offers staff a space to explore how best to support children in the classroom.

Place2Be One to One Counselling provides more intensive one to one sessions for those children who require individual support.

In addition to this, Place2Be have launched **Parenting Smart**, a website which offers free practical advice on a range of topics, including bullying, the transition to secondary/high school, meltdowns and sleep difficulties. Visit <u>http://parentingsmart.org.uk</u> to read more.

Also, Place2Be's **Parenting Smart - Online Course** is a free, six-week course designed to support parents and carers of primary-age children in their parenting journey. Visit <u>http://place2be.org.uk/family</u> to learn more about these free resources from Place2Be.

If you would like more information about any of the services Place2Be provides, or just an informal chat, please feel free to get in touch with me at ewasp@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk or come and say hi in the playground!

I'm always happy to talk!





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INDIVIDUAL PHOTOGRAPHS

A reminder that the individual pupil photographs for Randall Place are taking place today (Thursday 3rd November). **The photographers will stay at Randall Place from 3:30pm-4:30pm to do sibling and family photos.** Royal Hill individual pupil photographs will take place next Monday (7th November), when they will start early from 8:00am-9:00am for family groups and siblings. Please speak to Mrs Randall if you have any questions.



Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



Tomorrow (Friday) is our face-to-face FJWS meeting, so please do join us in the Training Room at Randall Place straight after drop-off. We will be discussing the Christmas Fair (December 2nd) -- if you can offer any time to help before, during or after the fair we would greatly appreciate it.

Also on Friday we will be holding another Second-Hand Uniform Sale after school at Randall Place. Please leave any donations, especially those with James Wolfe logos, at the RP school office or give them to one of us in the playground. We sell every item for £1, all of which goes straight to the school, meaning it is helpful for your pocket, our school and the environment -- please do stop by to see if we have anything for you.

Please follow/like us on Twitter/Facebook to find out more about what we do, as well as about upcoming social/fundraising events. All are welcome!

Email: friendsofJWS@gmail.com Facebook: https://en-gb.facebook.com/FJWSGreenwich Twitter: https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich

IMPORTANT DATES Autumn Term 2022 Thursday 3rd November -- Randall Place Individual Pupil Photographs Friday 4th November -- FJWS Second-Hand Uniform Sale Monday 7th November -- Royal Hill Individual Pupil Photographs Monday 7th to Friday 11th November -- Antibullying Week Monday 7th to Friday 11th November -- Year 5 Bikeability Tuesday 8th November -- Phonics Briefing for Reception Parents (RP Hall, 9am) Tuesday 8th November -- Chartwells' Cook-Off Big Show Tuesday 8th November -- Year 5 Earth & Mars Trip to RO Planetarium Tuesday 8th November -- Boys' Football Friendly Match vs Morden Mount (RP) Wednesday 9th November -- Girls' Football Team League Fixture Day Friday 11th November -- Year 5 Jupiter & Neptune Trip to RO Planetarium Tuesday 15th Nov. – School Journey Info. Meeting for Y6 Parents (RH Hall, 4pm) Wednesday 16th November -- Year 4 Venus Trip to Maritime Museum Wednesday 16th November -- Girls' Football Team League Fixture Day Wednesday 16th November -- Greenwich Lantern Parade Thursday 17th November -- Year 4 Sun & Pluto Trips to Maritime Museum Friday 18th November -- Year 4 Mercury Trip to Maritime Museum Monday 28th November to Thursday 1st December -- After-School Activities End Thursday 1st December -- EFL Kids Cup (CAFC Training Ground) Thursday 1st December -- Centre London Performance Studio Trip Friday 2nd December -- FJWS Christmas Fair

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TO ALL PARENTS/CARERS OF CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

Flu vaccination clinics

It is not too late for your child to receive the flu vaccination

If your child did not receive the nasal flu vaccination at your school session and you would now like them to receive this, or you would like the alternative injectable flu vaccine which <u>does not</u> contain porcine gelatine, clinics will be available on the following dates.

Wednesday 26th October at Gallions Reach Health Centre Thamesmead SE28 8BE - from 10.00am to 1.30pm

Saturday $12^{\rm th}$ November at Bostall House Goldie Leigh Site Lodge Hill Abbey Wood SE2 0AS - from 10.00am to 1.30pm

Saturday 10th December at Lee Green Fire Station 9 Eltham Rd

SE12 8ES - from 10.00am to 1.30pm

If you are interested and would like more information or would like to book an appointment, please call the immunisation team on 0208 320 5741/42/21.

Protecting your child can stop flu spreading and infecting those around them who maybe more vulnerable.

Oxleas NHS Immunisation Team can be contacted by email at

oxl-tr.immunisations@nhs.net

For more information on the flu vaccination programme please go to www.oxleas.nhs.uk/immunisation also www.nhs.uk/child-flu



A CRACKER OF A MEAL! on Friday 4th November

MAINS

Sausages and Mashed Potatoes

or Vegetarian Sausage and Mashed Potatoes

SIDES

Baked Beans, Peas and Carrots

DESSERTS Sticky Toffee and Banana Pudding or

Ginger and Orange Cake





Coming on Tuesday 8th November The Chartwells Cook Off Big Show



School success starts with attendance

ATTENDANCE

The current version of our Attendance Policy can be found on our school website. Parents are reminded of the importance of high attendance. High attendance leads to great achievement.

We receive a number of requests for pupils to be absent from school during term time. Parents are reminded that the school cannot authorise a leave of absence for a holiday and we will only grant a leave of absence for exceptional circumstances. The process for applying for a leave of absence is as follows:

1. A Request for a Leave of Absence form is completed by the parent.

2. An appointment will be made with the Headteacher or Head of Campus to discuss the request.

3. The school decides if it will authorise the leave of absence.

Parents should note that flights (etc.) should not be booked before a leave of absence is authorised.

Every day of school missed by a pupil reduces their attendance by 0.5%, meaning that a child with 95% attendance has missed ten whole days of school and a child with 90% attendance has missed twenty whole days of school. By the time a pupil is persistently absent (85% attendance), they have missed six weeks, or half a term, of schooling.

Days Absent at End of Year	Absence Percentage	Attendance Percentage at End of Year
1	0.5%	99.5%
5	2.5%	97.5%
10	5%	95%
20	10%	90%
30	15%	85%



ARTS DIRECTORY

Calling all parents... do you work within the creative arts or have a particular artistic skill? We would love to hear about it! James Wolfe are looking for parents who would be happy to share their arts expertise with the children. If you are happy to be contacted about the possibility of coming into school to share your skills and knowledge, please complete the form at https://forms.gle/oZN1JuG7XJgQSeLQ7. Thank you!



OUR LIBRARIES

Our libraries are always looking for book donations and adult volunteers! If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Katey Hearn at <u>friendsofJWS@gmail.com</u>. Donations can be left with the School Office at either campus.



EMAIL ADDRESSES

Emailing letters directly is now our usual way of communicating with parents. If you believe you are not receiving these, please check your spam/junk folder -- and review your settings to allow "James Wolfe" and "jameswolfe" if you find them there. If you do not find them, please message us at admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk, putting your email address and child's name in the title.



NO PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

We remind all parents not to park in the restricted areas on the roads surrounding the school. Please walk to school with your children if at all possible, but if you must drive, please do not park in restricted areas. This is for the safety of all children arriving at and leaving the school, and is more important than ever due to the current road closures and road works taking place in the area.

Please can we also remind parents not to park their cars in the residential bays in Old Pearson Street when dropping-off their children to Nursery and Reception.





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