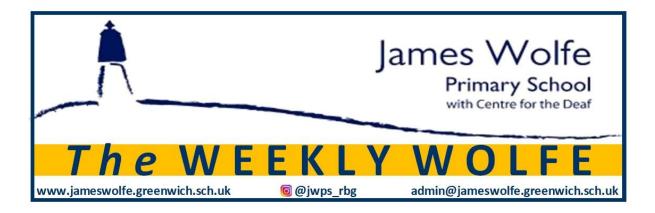
Thursday 10th November 2022



Dear Parents,



This week, we have been celebrating Anti-Bullying Week and highlighting to our children that, whilst we hope they never experience bullying, it is important for them to understand what bullying is and how it should be dealt with -- not only if they are a victim of bullying, but also if they see someone else who may need help. It is important that we empower our children to know that their well-being, both physical and mental, should be at the forefront of everything that they do and most definitely should be acknowledged and valued by others. Our aim is to equip our children with the skills that they need to both protect and promote their own well-being and, in doing so, for them to be able to have a positive impact on the lives of those around them.

"Bullying has a long lasting effect on those who experience and witness it. But by channelling our collective power, through shared efforts and shared ambitions, we can reduce bullying together. From parents and carers to teachers and politicians, to children and young people, we all have a part to play in coming together to make a difference."

With this is mind, we return to the route of everyone's ability to make others feel happy – kindness, the opposite of bullying! This Sunday, 13th November, is World Kindness Day; a day where we are all encouraged to think about what it is be kind, how we feel when someone is kind to us and what we can do to be kind to others. This year, the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation are focusing their campaign on 'making kindness the norm', by inspiring us all to turn a negative into a positive and just make being kind our default setting.

Have a look at the seven examples that they give for things that you can do to make kindness the norm in your day-today life. How many can you include over the next few days?

You might also like to have a look at the Random Acts of Kindness website at https://www.randomactsofkindness.org/world-kindnessday in order to find out more about World Kindness Day and explore what you can do to 'make kindness the norm'.

KIND regards, Mrs Curtis





ODD SOCKS DAY

A reminder that, as part of Anti-Bullying Week, we will be celebrating Odd Socks Day **tomorrow**, Friday 11th November. This is a day where we focus on what it means to be unique and showcase our individuality; knowing that this is something to be PROUD of and celebrated! So go wild in those sock drawers (if they are anything like Mrs Curtis' house, then I am sure it is usually more difficult to find a matching pair!) and wear the 'odd' combination that represents you!



LANTERN PARADE

It's the spectacular Greenwich Lantern Parade and the switching on of the twinkling Greenwich Market Christmas lights between 4pm and 6pm next Wednesday, 16th November.

Our Year 5 children have been invited to join the procession (more information to follow), alongside children from other local schools, as they parade their colourful handmade lanterns through the ORNC grounds, around Cutty Sark Gardens and into the Market for the big Christmas Countdown and switch-on.

This will be followed by performances from the Angelina Jandolo Dance Company and the Stagecoach Choir -- and afterwards you can stick around for Christmas shopping and festive treats from the wonderful stalls and shops.



NEW MENU

This half of term sees the arrival of the new 'Autumn/Winter' dinners menu. You can find a copy on our website at <u>https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/school-dinners</u>.

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



It's full steam ahead now for our Christmas Fair! This year it will be held on Friday 2nd December from 3:30pm to 5:30pm in the Randall Place playground. Wristbands will be available ahead of and on the afternoon of the fair. These will not only get you access to the crafts, but also a visit with Santa!

We still need lots of assistance on the night with setting up, helping on the stalls and tidying afterwards. If you can spare some time, please get in touch.

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

Monday 7th to Friday 11th November -- Antibullying Week Monday 7th to Friday 11th November -- Year 5 Bikeability Friday 11th November -- Year 5 Jupiter & Neptune Trip to RO Planetarium Tuesday 15th Nov. -- School Journey Info Meeting for Yr 6 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

Oxleas NHS

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 12th 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

What is Barvember? What's the point?

Barvember is organised by White Rose Maths to encourage everyone to use the bar model. We believe that the Bar Model is a useful tool for helping children visualise and then solve maths problems. Even some of the most complex problems can be seen much easier when represented visually.

Barvember provides an opportunity for everyone to just do some maths.

We know that the bar model is not the ONLY way of visualising a problem and we also know that these problems can be solved in the other ways.

Why should we take part?

We hope for the fun of doing maths. Lots of rewards available too; BARS of Fairtrade chocolate and places on our courses to name a few.

How do I share my solution?

- Tweet it to us @WhiteRoseMaths and use #barvember
- Send it to support@whiterosemaths.com





PART ABSENCE

Please can parents ensure they inform the **school office** (rather than the teacher) in advance and provide evidence if their child is going to be arriving late or out of school for part of the day due to an appointment. If you call the school, please press 1 and leave a message. This information is required so that we may organise the school day, such as dinner numbers.



PLACE2BE UPDATE

Emily Wasp, School Project Manager, writes:

I hope you all had a good Half Term break. It's 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!



JEWELLERY, EARRINGS AND NAIL VARNISH

We would like to remind parents about our school uniform policy linked to jewellery and nail varnish. We do not allow the wearing of jewellery at school, as it can easily become accidentally caught by another child during playtimes or other physical activities. In addition, jewellery items may get lost at school, so they are safer left at home. The only exception to this are single stud earrings (no hoops or dangly earrings, please) and watches. Children cannot wear nail varnish to school, so please remove this the night before.

Breakfast Club

BREAKFAST CLUB BOOKING

Breakfast Club is available for booking via our online booking system, with bookings by the day or term available. Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis and are limited. To book. please go to the SchoolHire website

at <u>https://jameswolfe.schoolactivity.co.uk</u>. If you would like to cancel a booking, please request this from the school office, who will generate an automatic refund for any session that has not yet taken place. Please note, however, that only whole bookings can be cancelled, not individual days from a booking -- we would have to cancel the whole booking and you would have to re-book just the days you require.

Can we remind parents that pupils must arrive for Breakfast Club by 8:30am.

The charge for the week remains at £12.50 (£2.50 per day), which must be paid when making the booking. Parents with Pupil Premium children or those who wish to pay with childcare vouchers must contact the school office before setting up a SchoolHire account, or they will be charged as normal.



PARENT CONCERNS

If any parent has a concern about anything that has happened in school, please talk to your class teacher. The school does not support parents directly talking to other parents about incidents that may have happened in school. This can be unsettling for some parents and the best way to resolve any issue is for the school to look into what may have happened.

If any parent wishes to talk about something that is worrying them, then please call the school office, who will be happy to make an appointment with Mrs Curtis (Randall Place) or Mrs Simpson (Royal Hill).



AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

The school works with two independent providers of after-school clubs -- One World, who are based within the school, and Smarteenies at The 10 Centre, which is adjacent to the school. You can contact One World at oneworldclub.uk@gmail.com or Smarteenies at smarteenies2009@hotmail.co.uk.









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