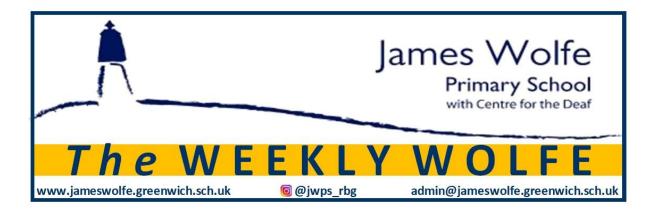
Thursday 23rd February 2023



Dear Parents,



Life at James Wolfe continues to be busy and varied, with our children enjoying their learning and taking part in a variety of activities both within and beyond their classrooms. We have also been working hard on providing pupil leadership opportunities through our curriculum subject leaders and you will hear more about this as the year goes on. Leadership roles for our children are best exemplified by our School Council, who have planned a number of projects already this year, such as a toy swap during the Autumn term. At present, they are working towards a collection for Greenwich Foodbank. According to the foodbank: '*Every day people in the UK go hungry for reasons ranging from redundancy to receiving an unexpected bill on a low income. A simple box of food makes a big difference, with foodbanks helping prevent crime, housing loss, family breakdown and mental health problems'. Our children are passionate about helping others in our community, particularly in light of the current cost of living crisis, and we would greatly appreciate any donations you could make. This doesn't need to be more than one item. Look out for more information from our School Council, with dates of collections and suggested donations.*

I can also now confirm that at long last our Christmas performances are on the school website. We are sorry for the delay in these being available. I'm sure that you will enjoy seeing the children's smiling faces on a grey February day just as much as we did when we watched them live in December! The shows are under the Learning tab on our website, in the News section.

I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards, Mrs Simpson



BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting the playgrounds at Randall Place and Royal Hill from Thursday 23rd February until Thursday 2nd March. It will be open just before and during school collection times, in order to allow you to explore the Book Fair with your child.

There will be two ways to pay. You can pay easily and securely when you attend the fair by using the online payment link at <u>http://www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay</u> and simply selecting our school from the drop-down menu. Payment online can be made at the Book Fair or in your own time by compiling and paying for a wish list. Please note that, if using a wish list, you will need to send your completed list back into school by the penultimate day of the book fair, so that purchased books can be sent home. Alternatively, pre-paid gift vouchers are available in amounts of £5, £10, £15, £20 and £25 -- just go to <u>http://www.bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/gift-vouchers</u> to buy vouchers for your child before the fair.

We look forward to seeing you there! You can help make a difference by purchasing from your Scholastic Fair – every purchase earns our school rewards, which we can spend on books to stock our library and classrooms.



UNIFORM

We remind parents that we ask that all children come to school in full school uniform.

Our uniform consists of a white polo shirt with navy blue sweater or cardigan (we promote the wearing of jumpers/polo shirts with logos but plain versions in the school colours are acceptable) and black or grey trousers, shorts or skirt. Alternatively, a blue checked dress can be worn. Socks or tights should be in school colours (white, black, navy blue or grey), as should headscarves. Headbands and hair ties should be plain and discreet. A peaked cap for Summer protection is permitted, but sunglasses are not.

Footwear should be black, flat, sensible, safe shoes or ankle-high boots, with a good grip on the sole. Alternatively, smart, black trainers with no white or coloured flashes or patterns are permitted, though bright-coloured laces are not. High heels, flip-flops, open-toed sandals, steel-toed shoes/boots and greater than ankle-high boots are unsafe & not appropriate for school. Pupils may wear boots to/from school but will need to bring a pair of shoes to change into.

Please be reminded that PE kits should not be worn to school and instead should be brought to school in a separate bag for children to get changed into and then back into their school uniform.

Clothing with the school logo on can be purchased at our online school shop, links to which can be found at <u>http://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/school-uniform/</u>.



ROYAL ACADEMY YOUNG ARTISTS

Calling all Young Artists! The Royal Academy is looking for submissions for their Summer Show. Would you like to have your artwork displayed in a world-famous gallery? Do you have an artistic idea? We would love to see any submissions from our students at James Wolfe, so if your child decides to enter please add them to Tapestry or Google Classroom, so we can share their wonderful artwork. Please note, however, that all submissions will need to be made directly through The Royal Academy and not to school. You can find more information at https://tinyurl.com/3ateryx8.



BOOK WEEK

Next week we will be celebrating Book Week, with exciting activities and events for the children that will celebrate books and why reading matters.

Children will be able to dress up as a book character on Friday 3rd March. They are welcome to dress up as a character from any book they have enjoyed reading, although the more home-made costumes are often the most fun and creative! We look forward to seeing which characters we have turning up on the day!

Letters regarding Book Week activities and Book Week dress-up were sent out to all parents and can be found at <u>https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/school-newsletters-and-parent-letters</u>. Please check your spam/adjust your settings if you think you did not receive them, or contact the office if your email has changed.



MISS THOMPSON AND MISS PARRY vs THE MARATHON

Miss Thompson, class teacher of Year 1 Willow, and Miss Parry, who teaches Year 3 Cedar class, will be running the 26.2 miles of the 2023 London Marathon on Sunday 23rd April! Miss Thompson will be running in aid of Shelter and you can donate to her fundraising page

at <u>https://2023tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/kathryn-thompson-e9e53</u>. Miss Parry will be running in aid of Place2Be, so that they can continue to support thousands of children around the country and in our school, and you can donate to her fundraising page at <u>https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/sophie-parry10</u>.

A huge thank you on behalf of James Wolfe School to anyone who donates -- they are both very excited to take on this challenge and hope to see as many of you as possible cheering them on in April!

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



Save the date! Our Spring Fair will be on Friday 24th March, between 3:30pm and 5:30pm in the Randall Place Playground. As usual, we need volunteers to help set up, run the stalls and to clear away, so if you can spare any time before, during and/or after the fair, then please get in contact using the address below.

We are also looking for donations of chocolate eggs, big or small, for our ever-popular Egg Tombola, so if you are out picking some up then please bear us in mind. You can leave your donations at the school office.

Finally, if you are able to donate any raffle prizes, please contact Nigel on <u>nigel65au@gmail.com</u> or text on 07979 702177.

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: <u>https://en-gb.facebook.com/FJWSGreenwich</u> Twitter: <u>https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich</u>

IMPORTANT DATES

Spring Term 2023

Monday 20th February to Friday 3rd March -- Year 5 Jupiter Daily Swimming Course Wednesday 22nd February -- Year 6 Trip to Chislehurst Caves Wednesday 22nd February -- Girls' Football Fixture Day at Meridian Sports Ground Thursday 23rd February to Thursday 2nd March -- Book Fair Thursday 23rd February -- Boys' Football Team Fixture Day Monday 27th February to Friday 3rd March -- Book Week Wednesday 1st March -- Book Swap Wednesday 1st March -- Girls' Football Fixture Day at Meridian Sports Ground Thursday 2nd March -- Boys' Football Team Fixture Day Friday 3rd March -- Book Week Dress-Up Day Friday 3rd March -- Year 3 Biscuits and Books (9am) Tuesday 7th March -- Year 6 Biscuits and Books (9am) Wednesday 8th March -- Barclay's Girls' Football School's Partnership Tournament Thursday 9th March -- Year 5 Biscuits and Books (9am) Friday 17th March -- Year 1 Silver Birch & Hazel Trip to Maritime Museum Wednesday 22nd March -- Girls' Football Fixture Day at Meridian Sports Ground Friday 24th March -- Year 1 Willow & Fir Trip to Maritime Museum Friday 24th March -- FJWS Spring Fair Tuesday 28th March -- Drumming Concerts (RH & RP) Thursday 30th March -- Year 1 Biscuits and Books (9am) Thursday 30th March -- After-School Activities End Friday 31st March -- Year 2 Biscuits and Books (9am)





We love Reading

To celebrate our reading, we would love you to join us for...

Biscuits and Books

Biscuits and Books sessions will be running twice yearly and will be an opportunity to come and read with your child whilst enjoying some biscuits at the same time. These events will also include a presentation from the Year Group Leader about how to best support your child with their reading at home. You will have an opportunity to ask any questions you may have about the reading process during these sessions.

Royal Hill:

8.45-9.30am You will be welcomed into your child's classroom to share a book together. 9.30-9.45am Tea and coffee will be served in the hall whilst you join us for a talk about how to further develop your child's reading at home.

Randall Place:

9.00-9.30am You will be welcomed into your child's classroom to enjoy biscuits and read a book together. 9.30-9.45am Enjoy a cup of tea/coffee in the Lower Hall session about how to best support your child and their reading at home.

Stay and Read Mornings

'Stay and Read' mornings will take place regularly and will be an opportunity for you to come in and read with your child within their classroom either by yourselves or with a group of your child's peers for half an hour. Dates for the first of these mornings will be provided at 'Biscuits and Books' events. Please then check the Weekly Wolfe and on Google Classroom for dates of future 'Stay and Read' mornings.

Randall Place	Royal Hill
Year 1 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Thursday 30th March	Year 4 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Friday 5th May
RP - 9:00 - 9:45	RH - 8:45 - 9:45
Year 2 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Friday 31st March	Year 5 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Thursday 9th March
RP - 9:00 - 9:45	RH - 8:45 - 9:45
Year 3 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Friday 3rd March RP -	Year 6 Parents Biscuits and Books Session: Tuesday 7th March
9:00 - 9:45	RH - 8:45 - 9:45



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Due to popular demand, the award-winning Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School is expanding in Greenwich. In addition to the current morning sessions, in April 2023 brand new classes will be launching from 1.30pm to 4.30pm every Saturday in term time. Students will explore singing, acting and dance, all whilst building confidence, self-esteem and having fun!

Children at James Wolfe get a discount of 20% off their first term and 10% thereafter -- all you have to do is mention the school when you get in touch to book. A limited number of scholarships are also available.

For more information and to book your taster day, please visit <u>https://www.afperformingarts.com/theatre-and-film-school/schools/greenwich</u>.



Inspired by the world-famous London Marathon, the Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice Mini Marathon is a fun running event for children aged between 5 and 16 years old -- and this year it celebrates its tenth anniversary! Children can walk, run or jog the 2.62-mile course around Royal Greenwich Park. It's a great way to get children active, inspire them to think about how they can help others in their community, give them an opportunity to show off their achievements (every child gets a medal) and be part of the one of the largest running events that is just for children.

Greenwich & Bexley Community Hospice gives very special care to people who are facing life-limiting illness, giving both the patient and their family practical and emotional support, so that they are not alone. By raising sponsorship, your child will be part of the team helping to support local families.

The Hospice Mini Marathon is also a great day out for all the family -- last year there were live performances by the Rock Choir, a Meet and Greet with Owly, the Hospice Mascot and the Pearly People, an energetic warm up by Ellie from Greenwich Runners, plenty of fun fancy dress with prizes for the best costume, a cheering squad around the 2.62-mile route and a medal and JLL Goody Bag for every runner (children only)!

For more information and to register, please

visit https://www.communityhospice.org.uk/support-us/events/mini-marathon/.





AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB

The school has recently started working with Bree's Little Stars, who are accepting children into their childcare provision at Royal Hill. This is open to all pupils attending Royal Hill and, in addition, places can now be offered to pupils attending Randall Place. Children will be collected by staff from Bree's Little Stars and escorted to Royal Hill to join the provision there. Parents would then collect their child from Royal Hill before 6pm, when the club ends.

As numbers grow, it is hoped that Bree's Little Stars will be able to open a provision at both campuses.

Bree's Little Stars can be reached at info@breeslittlestars.co.uk.



DANCE CLASSES

Angélina Jandolo and her team of young, friendly teachers run dance classes on Tuesdays and Saturdays here at James Wolfe, helping adults and children alike to discover the power and poise of dance. The staff of AJD have all performed at a professional level and teach classes both to those students wishing to progress through the IDTA ballet exam syllabus and to those simply dancing for pleasure. They also give numerous tap, contemporary jazz and street dance classes, all taught to exam-board standards, in an environment where students always feel comfortable to express themselves freely in class without fear of judgment.

For more information or to book a taster please visit <u>http://www.angelinajandolodance.com</u>.



GDPR SIGN-UP

The school office regularly hears from parents/carers who are not subscribed to the Weekly Wolfe mailing list and so are not up-to-date with school information. Due to GDPR regulations, any parent/carer who has not given specific permission for us to use their email address to circulate school notices (including the Weekly Wolfe) will not receive them. If you are reading this on our website or are aware of anyone who is missing out, please use/forward them our sign-up form at http://eepurl.com/duVNNr.



EXERCISE CLASSES

Have you tried ((BOUNCE))[™] yet? It's more than just an exercise class, it's a community! Whether it's motivating and supporting each other in class, or just looking around and sharing a smile, ((BOUNCE))[™] brings people together. Bouncefitbody are running classes at James Wolfe (6:30pm on Monday & Wednesday evenings), with the main aim of making fitness fun and more accessible for everyone! Plus, there's a discount for James Wolfe staff and parents.

((BOUNCE))[™] is a trampoline-based, hour-long exercise class of choreographed dance routines to burn calories fast, that finishes with fifteen minutes of toning. Routines are performed to banging tunes in a welcoming and motivating environment; they encourage a social space where you can make friends, alongside their inclusive FUN! FRIENDLY! FIERCE! nightclub vibe. Sessions are programmed to achieve rapid weight loss by burning up to seven hundred calories per class (that's the equivalent of a bottle of prosecco!), whilst having fun... that's what trampolines were made for!. There are beginners in every class, so don't worry about feeling self-conscious, you'll see everyone bouncing at their own pace. It usually takes two or three sessions to get used to all the bouncing and recognise the moves, so stick with it... but be warned, it's addictive!

Improves Fitness
Improves co-ordination and balance
Improves social and mental wellbeing

Helps aid weight loss









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