



The JHPS newsletter

Friday 11th December 2020

The Jenny Hammond Primary School Roll of Honour

As this is my last newsletter for this year I would like to use this opportunity to thank all the staff and children of Jenny Hammond School for getting through an unusual and sometimes slightly tricky term.

We have lost some of our Bubbles along the way who had to self-isolate for 14 days and we had just nearly got back to a full house with Year 2 returning and then Year 6 when Year 1 and Reception got 'bubbled.'

I have to say though the teachers have been really impressed with the children's learning at home and the highlight of Alyson's day has been her morning zoom registration sessions with Year 6!

Thank you to the staff and children for all of your hard work, we have one more week of school to enjoy before we can all rest and enjoy the Christmas break.

*Merry Christmas to all of our
Jenny Hammond Family & a
Happy Hanukkah for our
families celebrating over the next
week.*

STAR ATTENDANCE FOR LAST WEEK GOES TO:



Acorn and Willow
with a perfect 100%



The school's attendance target is 97% and if we take out any absence related to our children having to isolate we have met that over the term so thank you.

The team points have been counted and the winners over the last 2 weeks are:
Pankhurst with 547 points

Celebrating children's achievements is supported by article 29 of the UNCRC.

IMPORTANT DATES

Class Christmas Parties

Non-uniform

Tuesday 15th December

Children break up for Christmas:

Thursday 17th December

Please note this is a change from the last newsletter

Year 2: 2pm - Worsley Road Gate

Year 3: 2.15pm - Elsham Road Gate

Year 4: 2.15pm - Worsley Road Gate

Year 5: 2.30pm - Worsley Road Gate

Year 6: 2.30pm - Elsham Road Gate

Children return to school

Tuesday 5th January 2021

Conker: 8.55am - Reception Gate

Acorn: 8.55pm - Main Entrance

Year 1: 8.55am - Elsham Road Gate

Year 2: 8.55am - Worsley Road Gate

Year 3: 9.05am - Elsham Road Gate

Year 4: 9.05pm - Worsley Road Gate

Year 5: 9.15pm - Worsley Road Gate

Year 6: 9.15pm - Elsham Road Gate

Online Learning for Year 1 and Reception

It is very likely we won't see Reception and Year 1 classes now until the New Year. We know that on the news today they are changing the isolation period from Monday to 10 days however I have contacted Public Health and they are awaiting further advice and have said not to change any isolation dates at this point. You will be notified if this advice changes.

In the meantime lessons for these classes will be uploaded daily on to your child's class page and you can send in photos of their work to your class email and ask the teachers any questions. Acorn and Conker class we would like you to have your special Christmas card houses so could you arrange from Monday for someone to come and collect them and your crowns!

*A massive thank you has to go to our
parents and carers as well!*

You have all been amazing this term in supporting the school in so many different ways. Staggered start and end times, changes to the times, moving to online learning when children get 'bubbled', supporting the events that have been able to happen through keeping up with non-uniform days, (particularly challenging at this time of year), charity donations, your kindness and thanks given to the staff. The list goes on! Have a lovely break however you plan to spend it and we look forward to seeing you all in January.

Primary School Applications September 2021

If you have a child that turns 4 years old this academic year, (1st September 2020 to 31st August 2021), then now is the time to apply for Reception class starting in September 2021. The application form can be found on the Council website and you have until the 15th January 2021 to submit the form.

The Christmas Concert has now become a Winter Concert!



Today we recorded the children singing their class individual songs however we currently have Reception and Year 1 out of school and although we considered recording them all singing their class song on zoom, with time delays this isn't really going to work. With that in mind we have now made the Christmas Concert the Winter Concert and the missing classes will get to record their songs in the first week back.

This means they can keep practising them at home all over Christmas!!

Peter will then compile all of the recordings into one fantastic concert. In the meantime you will be able to watch your child's individual class song recorded today on their class page from next week.

Dropping off, picking up, speaking with the office or teachers

With the significant increase in Covid 19 cases in Waltham Forest can I remind parents and carers that outside of the school gates you should still be socially distanced from each other and leave once your children have come into school.

If you need to talk to the teacher or the school office please email the teacher through their class email and they will respond or phone the school office on 02085193977.

How to keep children safe in the online world.

A workshop for parents at our school run by The Race Equality Foundation

Monday 25th January 2021 at 12 noon on zoom

We are delighted to have been offered a zoom workshop run by Eleni from The Race Equality Foundation. Eleni has run these workshops with our parents before in school and they have been very well received with parents finding the information shared extremely useful.

Subjects covered are:

- The benefits and risks of the online world
- Specific scenarios such as online grooming, bullying and sexting
- Helping you to help your children recognising risks and stay safe.

To register for the workshop please contact Eleni by email on

Eleni.sfsc@racefound.org.uk

Or by phone on

07708360561

Notice Board!

• Parent Governor

You have a few more days to get your vote in for Parent Governor. Votes will be counted on Wednesday 16th December and you will be informed of who your new parent governor is on Thursday 17th December. Please hand your voting slip to the class teacher at the gate or preferably post it in the post box outside of the school office.

• Christmas Parties & Father Christmas visiting the school and leaving a special message and delivery for children in Reception and Year 1.

Next Tuesday afternoon are the class Christmas parties and the children can come to school in non-uniform. Different classes have chosen to do different things at their parties and the teachers will have spoken to the children if they need to bring anything in. Father Christmas will be visiting though and I have arranged for him to record a special message for the children in Acorn, Conker, Sequoia and Holly from their classrooms so please look out for that on their class pages on Wednesday.

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IMPORTANT DATES

We will be celebrating these important dates in school.
You may wish to do some follow-up work with your child at home.

DECEMBER

- Hanukkah
- Christmas
- International Day for Persons with Disabilities
- Unicef's Anniversary
- Beethoven's Birthday
- And not forgetting National Chocolate Day - who knew!

