



Headteacher Weekly Update Email

Dear Parents

This week has certainly been action-packed! We really enjoyed sharing our Phonics learning with parents this week. Parents had the opportunity to see Phonics taught in school and watch live lessons. For anyone that could not attend the meeting and would have liked to, I have included a sound chart (to copy, enlarge and put on your child's wall). I know the feedback that we received from this was extremely positive and something that we will continue in the future. Do keep asking for our advice about the best ways to support your child with their early reading and writing progress at home.

E-Safety

As you all know, we held an e-safety workshop for parents last night. Again, if you were unable to attend and would have liked to, you can see ongoing support and advice on current e-safety issues at <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/articles/Parental-controls/> Thinkuknow is an excellent site to gain up-to-date advice on all e-safety issues.

World Book Day

World Book Day will be with us very soon! On **Thursday 2nd March**, your child is invited to dress up as a book character. Please can we ask that children **do not bring props** in with their costume. However, they are invited to **bring their favourite book** so that this can be shared throughout the day. Please ensure that this is clearly labelled with their name. We are planning to have a **book parade (weather dependent) at 9.10am on Thursday** in the academy playground. You are all welcome to come and watch. This is a great opportunity to see all of our children (and staff) dressed in their costumes. Throughout the day, the children will be taking part in a variety of book related activities, including house assemblies, where children of all ages will go to their colour team, have a special assembly with their House Captains and share their special books with each other. We will be setting up magical reading areas in our outdoor area too. Reading is something we are passionate about at JCA and World Book Day is just another opportunity to celebrate reading and most importantly have fun as a community!

Mothers Day Secret Room

This will be held in school on Thursday 23rd March. This is very special for the children to be able to choose a gift for their Mother/Grandmother. The cost for this is just £1! This event is reliant on your generosity, so we do ask you to bring in any surplus or unwanted gifts such as jewellery, toiletries, scarves, perfume etc. **Please drop off any donations at the office as by Friday 10th March.**

Reminder of dates for this term

Please find a reminder of this term's diary dates and workshops attached to the email. We have a number of workshops which we feel will be of great interest to you. We look forward to welcoming parents in the academy next week for our year 5 & 6 workshop on Tuesday and year 3 & 4 workshop on Wednesday.

Have a great weekend.

Kind regards,

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