



Friday 20th April 2018

Weekly Communication

Dear Parents

What a beautiful week and the need to be sun safe!

What a beautiful week we have just had! The sunshine has been welcomed and we have certainly had many opportunities to learn outside even more than usual! Please can I take this opportunity to remind you about providing your child with a cap/ sun hat to protect your child. We also recommend an application of sun cream before they come to school so that your child is enabled to play outside safely in the sunshine.

New topics have started

Next week in our whole school newsletter you will get the opportunity to see the wonderful and exciting topics that your children have started. This term is incredibly exciting as it includes many of our very special annual events, which include our creative arts week, art gallery, sports days, school fair & celebration week. Please check your child's book bag for a paper copy of our calendar that you can put up on your fridges as a crucial reminder. Please note that the calendar shows the main events happening at school; however, you will be informed separately about school trips for your child's class.

Holidays in term time

I am, once again getting increasingly concerned about holidays taken in term time. Time lost from school is detrimental to your child's learning and in many cases, key skills are lost when holidays are taken for as long as a week or in some cases beyond this time. Please, please can I urge you not to take your children out of school. We don't want them to miss any great opportunities that we provide. Every week we celebrate attendance in every class, as you know and we do not feel it is fair on class percentages. Thank you in advance with your support with this. I have attached a reminder of the 2018-19 calendar so that holidays can be booked in the designated holiday times.

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Extra-curricular clubs

Please be reminded that all extra-curricular clubs begin on **Monday 23rd April**. You should have all have been sent a text message this week informing you of your child's place.

Best of British themed lunch day-Thursday 26th April

We will be having an extra special themed lunch on Thursday 26th April. We sent a letter out regarding this. If you have not yet returned the letter with your child's choices, **we urgently need these back by Monday please.**

Parent Governor vacancy

I would like to personally thank Jane Bennett & Jo Dexter who have completed their term of office as Parent Governors for our school. They have dedicated an amazing amount of time to strategically supporting our school on its journey, particularly to the designation of Outstanding. Their commitment to attending meetings and completing monitoring visits in school has never faltered. Huge thanks and appreciation from the whole JCA community.

However, with this in mind we now have one parent Governor position available at the academy. Next week, we will be sending home a parent information letter about the important role of being a Governor. As well as this, we will also be sending a nomination form for you to put yourself forward for this role. If we have more than 1 parent apply, there will be a closed vote election.

Important date coming up.....

Phonics in action workshop- Thursday 26th April, 9.15am – Please come along if you would like to see Phonics taught in our school and for handy tips on how to support your child with their reading at home.

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Twitter

I just want to remind you all about our Twitter feed. We regularly put photographs and information about what is happening in school on here. Please do follow us @JCAWakefield to celebrate the many events and learning activities that are happening at JCA.

Have a lovely weekend,

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