

# JENYNS FIRST SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## NEWSLETTER 19.01.2024

Our Values - Ambitious - Positive - Respectful



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a wonderful, hardworking week we have had. It is lovely to have such positive feedback from you about our first newsletter of this term, thank you. I know you will all join me in thanking all our classroom staff for sharing the information and photos and of course to our amazing Mrs Turner who collates it all and sends it to you.

I am so sorry I haven't managed to be on the gate so much this week. I have had a week of before and after school meetings. Rest assured I am here and I have been working with all the staff and children – just ask your children. Next week I shall definitely be on the gate more.

One of my meetings has been a routine one with our local authority Attendance Officer. As you know, all fantastic schools like Jenyns take attendance seriously and she verified that we do. She came in to check that we are following DfE guidance as stated in our Attendance Policy (this is on our website). Please remember that we are unable to authorise any family holidays and that requests may put your family at risk of a fine, which causes unpleasant feelings for us and for your family. Thank you so much for your support and consideration in this matter. Every day a child misses school has an impact on their progress.

I do hope you enjoy reading this newsletter and may I wish you all a super weekend.

With my very best wishes,

Mrs King  
**Headteacher**

## CLASS 1

This week Class 1 have been exploring composition of numbers to find number pairs that make 5 through the song Five Little Speckled Frogs. They have enjoyed indoor exercise with Jump Start Jonny, and have been sequencing pictures of key events in familiar stories. Afterwards they have retold stories in their own words. They have been fascinated to see how things freeze in cold weather and have been investigating leaf patterns in forest School activity with salt dough.

Our Stars of the week are Wren who is Dr Curious and Jakobi who is an Incredible Improver



## CLASS 2

This week in class 2, the children had great fun in our first art lesson on printing. They used their hands to explore making prints using primary colours. Some children discovered that mixing colours made new ones!



In PE the children have been practising different ways to balance. This week they learnt the names of different balances and worked in pairs and small groups to mirror each other.



In maths in Year 1 this week we have been understanding numbers to 20. The children used lots of different maths equipment to show '20' including tens frames, bead strings and Numicon.



Our stars of the week are Oliver, Tiarna and Jax

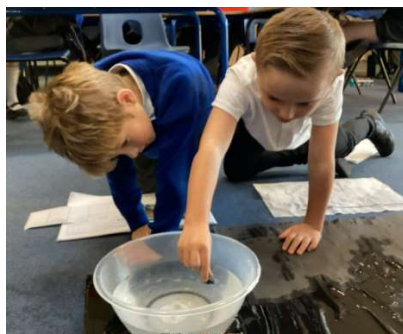


### CLASS 3

This week, class 3 have been reading more of our class text – The Pebble in My Pocket. We re-enacted some scenes from the book in the form of a freeze frame.



In Science, we tested a variety of rocks to see their properties – we were looking to see which absorbed water, which were hard, which were durable and which floated/sunk.



In PE, we began our topic of Yoga and practised different poses to test and challenge our balance, including the dancer, the three legged down dog, the boat and the warrior.



Our certificate award winners this week were Grace G and Grace L – Well done!

## **Useful dates**

- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Energy Saving Day
- Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February – Number Day
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February – Safer Internet Day
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February – Year 1 & 2 Speed stacking event
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Parent Assembly 2.45 p.m.
- Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February – Parent Reading morning 8.45 a.m. – 9 a.m.
- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Half Term
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March – Dance Festival
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March – Whole school Science workshop a.m.
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 & 2 Multiskills at Edwinstree School
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Class 3 Netball skills at Roger de Clare School
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March – Parent Conversations 3.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Parent Conversations 3.30 p.m. – 6 p.m.
- Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March – Rocksteady Music Concert 10 a.m.
- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March – Term Ends 12.15 p.m.
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Term begins
- Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Dance Days workshop
- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May – Half Term
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Class photos
- Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Rocksteady Music concert 10 a.m.
- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July – Term Ends 12.15 p.m.

**Bags2School will be collecting bags on the morning of Wednesday 6th March.**

**This is a great opportunity to clear out those unwanted items in your wardrobe while making money for our school!**

**Please leave bags by the school hall doors before 9am on the above date.**

**Thank you!**

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Jenyns First School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT).

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

*We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:*  
Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.  
*(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*

*The more we weigh the more we pay!  
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

*Please return your Bag2School on:*

Wednesday 6 March 2024 by 9:00am

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