



# Jerry Clay Academy Newsletter

Friday 11th December 2020

Dear Parents

As we move towards the **final 4 days** before Christmas, I wanted to remind you about a couple of items that are coming up very soon.....

## **Thank you for your kindness, you have kept giving!**

Today Wrenthorpe Assist collected our Christmas Campaign gifts and were overwhelmed with the response. Thank you to all of you that were able to donate. Every child in the school also created a Christmas card and calendar too to go out to care homes and vulnerable older people in our community.

## **Black and white PE kits– Needed for Monday**

On Monday we will be filming our whole school Christmas production of 'The JCA Christmas Carol'. Thank you to those of you that have already brought kit in for this. If you haven't, the deadline is Monday morning. This can be a white polo shirt, t-shirt, black leggings, jogging bottoms etc. Many of our children already have these items in their kits; however, we are wanting everyone uniform with this.

## **Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper on Wednesday 16th December**

We will be enjoying our annual Christmas lunch day on Wednesday. As well as this, **children are welcome to come to school in a Christmas jumper** (as advertised in our Countdown to Christmas). During this fun-packed Wednesday, the children will also enjoy a very exciting Christmas activity afternoon.

## **Our PTA**

I would like to say a very big thank you to our PTA who have worked so hard over the past couple of weeks getting the Christmas cards printed, selling Christmas bags, cuddly friends and face masks. We really are so lucky to have such a committed group of people.

## **Cuddly friends**

As expected these have sold very quickly; however, we have a couple of owls left, approx. 2 rabbits and a number of tortoises. If you would like one, please put your child's name on an envelope with £4 (for a tortoise or owl and £5 for a rabbit). These will be the last ones ever made for JCA as it is my Mum who busily makes them each year!



## **Christmas cards**

If you ordered specially created Christmas cards, these are getting distributed today and next week.

## **Interim checks**

You will all receive a progress check for your child next Thursday. As you know we issue these to Year 1 to Year 6 every term to inform you of what your child has achieved in Reading, Writing and Maths. In the Spring Progress Check we inform you of your child's progress across all subjects across the curriculum.

Wishing you all a relaxing weekend as we approach our final 4 days at JCA. I have a moving date to my new home in North Yorkshire in this week, next Wednesday (fingers crossed) and I will be back on Thursday to say a very sad and sincere thank you and goodbye to you all.

Mrs. T Swinburne



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## Our fluffy friends are back for one last hurrah!!

This is your last chance to bag one of these  
gorgeous fluffy animals



We only have a limited number so it's first come, first served.

Write on an envelope:

- Your child's name and year group
- How many you would like
- Which fluffy friend you would prefer. We cannot guarantee which fluffy friend you will get, but ask that you put on the envelope your top 3 in order of preference.
- Pop your cash or cheque in the envelope.  
Please make cheques payable to Jerry clay academy PTA.
- The closing date for ordering is **Friday 11 December**. If we sell out before then we will let everyone know.



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## Take a look at our gorgeous Christmas bags



### Contents

- Reindeer hot chocolate
- Elf kisses
- Jingle bells to ring on Christmas Eve
- Reindeer food in a gorgeous hessian bag
- Candy cane
- Festive bag

Our Christmas bags are perfect to get you into the Christmas spirit. All of the contents are high quality, eco friendly or reusable.

### To order:

- On an envelope write your child's name, year group and how many you would like.
- Pop your payment (cash or cheque) in to the envelope. Cheques made payable to Jerry Clay Academy PTA.
- Return to school by Tuesday 15 December 2020



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## **OUR HOME LEARNING PLAN SHOULD YOUR CHILD NEED TO SELF-ISOLATE**

Should your child need to self-isolate due to awaiting a COVID test or a member in your family has COVID, we would like your children to continue their learning at home.

As soon as we are notified that your child is self-isolating, your child will be allocated activities on Seesaw.

The Class Teacher will send you a ParentMail informing you of the lessons for your child to complete within 24 hours of being informed. Please then log on to Seesaw to see and complete these.

If you or your child is displaying symptoms of Covid 19, please inform the academy immediately. **DO NOT BRING YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL.** Call 111 or visit [www.nhs.co.uk](http://www.nhs.co.uk)

# Dates for your diary



## Open morning

Saturday 7th November – Open Morning

## Parents Evenings

23/3/21, 25/3/21, – Virtual Parents evenings.

## Reports

16/ 12/20 – Progress reports out to parents

19/3/21 – Interim reports

9/7/20– End of year reports

## HeartStart

Thursday 24th June & Friday 25th June- Training days

## Theme Weeks

w/c 22/03/21- History week 2021

w/c 24/05/21- Creative Arts week

## Provisional Performances—pending Government Guidance

23/06/21 - Art gallery evening

13/06/21 & 15/07/21 – Creative Arts evenings

w/c 19/7/21 – Celebration week

## Year 6 Residential

8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> June

## Sports Day

18/06/20

## Summer Fair

TBC

Please note that this list is not endless and we may be adding events to this list, including parental meetings as we progress throughout the year.

**Ultimately in the current situation we find ourselves in, these dates are open to change. With regards to performances, we will continue to follow Government guidance on what we can and cannot do to ensure the safety for all.**



## Reminder of drop off & pick up times



**A classes – Y1,3,5, 6**  
**8.30-8.45**  
**3.00-3.15**

**B classes – R, Y2, Y4**  
**8.45-9.00**  
**3.15-3.25**