



# Jerry Clay Academy Newsletter

Friday 16th April 2021

Dear Parents

The children have returned to school this week refreshed and ready to go! They have begun exploring their new themes and it has been wonderful to see them getting to know their core texts, drawing story maps and practising oral re-tellings. Their love of reading has shone through! Classes have really enjoyed outdoor learning and Year 6 had a tremendous day with Edens Forest using team work, maths and geography skills to create an island, map its features, and then use outdoor survival skills to find out all about their core text 'The Tempest' by Shakespeare.

## Parents Evening

We have rescheduled our March parents evenings to take place on Teams on Tuesday 4th May and Thursday 6th May. Please complete the ParentMail form to request a slot and we will send out the appointment time and Teams link during the week commencing 26th April.

## Wraparound Care

In line with the government roadmap, from 12 April, Wraparound Care is now open to all parents without any restrictions on the reasons children may attend. Wraparound Care which is run by Jerry Clay Academy staff before and after school and provides a range of indoor and outdoor activities, crafts and games. In line with our Health and Safety Risk Assessment, children are organised in groups minimising contact between bubbles.

More details are available on our Jerry Clay website and bookings are made via a ParentMail booking form. Please contact the academy office to request a ParentMail form to be sent. Please note that from May we will require all bookings to be made at least 7 days in advance on the ParentMail system (as pre March '20 T&Cs) & require 7 day's notice for cancellations otherwise fees will be chargeable. Ad hoc bookings can be requested via [schoolclub@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk](mailto:schoolclub@jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk) but these should be minimised to allow for appropriate staffing.

## School to school support

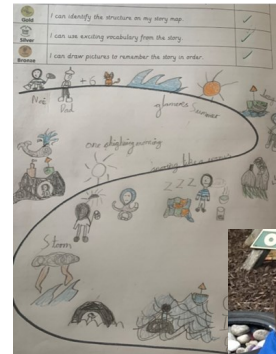
As well as her English Hub work, Miss Brook is currently carrying out a school to school support secondment at a N Yorks school, making such a difference to another school community, As ever, she is in close contact and we look forward to seeing her back with us.

As always, thank you for your incredible support. We are looking forward to and very much hoping for an action-packed summer term in school. Thank you for continuing to wear masks and to observe social distancing whilst dropping off and picking up the children. We also continue with our rigorous safety measures in school to do our utmost to protect the children's valuable learning experiences in school. I hope you have a super weekend.

Best wishes

Mrs C Elliott Headteacher

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# Special mentions of the week

Teachers are so proud of the amazing effort of the children in their class and would like to celebrate the effort they are making. They have chosen their Special Mention; someone who has really stood out during the week for demonstrating excellent learner traits, fantastic attitudes to their learning and consistently being the 'best that they can be' every day. Well done!

**Week beginning: 12th April 2021**

**Reception - Affan Shahzad**

**Year 1- Louie Callender**

**Year 2- Nevaeh Dutton**

**Year 3- Daya Mann**

**Year 4- Claudia Stringer**

**Year 5- Isaiah Agaba**

**Year 6- Luke Ibbetson and Logan Marsh**



## Attendance winners

As you know as a school we continue to focus on excellent attendance (where appropriate). As a whole school we have set a target for the year of **97.4%**.

**Please note that children who are self isolating due to COVID are not included in these figures.**

| Class     | This week | Year to date from the start of September |
|-----------|-----------|--|
| Reception | 100 %     | 99.49%                                   |
| Year 1    | 100%      | 98.82%                                   |
| Year 2    | 99.33 %   | 98.86%                                   |
| Year 3    | 98.67 %   | 98.78%                                   |
| Year 4    | 97.33%    | 98.56%                                   |
| Year 5    | 100 %     | 98.85 %                                  |
| Year 6    | 99.04 %   | 96.61%                                   |

**97% + AT OR ABOVE SCHOOL TARGET**

**BELOW 95%- CAUSING CONCERN & LESS CHANCE OF PROGRESS**

**90% & BELOW- PERSISTANT ABSENCE- SERIOUS ATTENDANCE CONCERN**

**WHOLE SCHOOL TARGET – 97.40%**

**ACTUAL – 98.58% Keep it up, well done!**



## WRAP AROUND CARE

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Run by academy staff and offering a range of indoor and outdoor activities including games, crafts, table tennis, pool and outdoor play.

The tea menu varies week to week, example menus include:

Pasta with tomato sauce and cheese / yoghurt  
Soup with a roll / fruit  
Wraps with a variety of fillings / jelly & ice-cream

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### EARLY CARE from 7.30am

Cost: £4.75 per session including a breakfast of cereal, toast & a drink

### AFTER SCHOOL CARE until 6pm

2020/21 costs according to pick-up time:

- Collect before 4.30pm: £4.75 including a snack
- Collect before 5.15pm: £7.00 including a light two course tea
- Collect before 6.00pm: £9.00 including a light two course tea
- Reduced fees are available for a second or third child from the same family attending after school club. The reduced fees from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 are: £6.50 (collect up to 5.15pm) / £8.50 (collect by 6pm).

\*We accept childcare vouchers from company schemes and the Government Tax-Free Childcare Scheme: <https://childcare-support.tax.service.gov.uk/par/app/eligibility>

\*Prices review annually in July by the Governing Body

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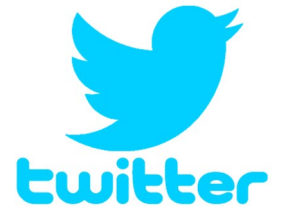
For further information see the academy website at:

<http://www.jerryclayacademy.wakefield.sch.uk/parents/wrap-around-care/>

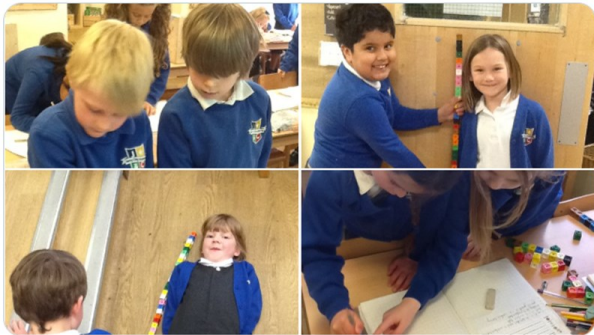




# Highlights of the Week from Twitter



**Jerry Clay Academy** @JCAWakefield · Apr 12  
Year 2 have shown fantastic inquisitiveness to explore measuring length and height using non standard units. We love practical learning!  
@WhiteRoseMaths #JCAMaths #teamworkmakesthedreamwork



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**Jerry Clay Academy** @JCAWakefield · Apr 13  
Year 1 have started the Summer term with super attitudes - they used clues to make wonderful predictions about our new core text: Leaf by @sandradieckmann #JCAReading #coretext



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reasons for their positioning on the island. #JCACurriculum



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**Jerry Clay Academy** @JCAWakefield · 4h  
Reception Class have been using oil pastel and watercolour to create fabulous sea scapes inspired by the work of Marionette Tabonair  
@kauaiartist #eyfs #creative #turtles #underthesea



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**Jerry Clay Academy** @JCAWakefield · Apr 13  
Immersed in story telling and telling 'tall tales' using the children's own selection of resources and character props #EYFS #Tiddler #Language #JCACurriculum



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**Jerry Clay Academy** @JCAWakefield · 10h  
Year 3 made the most of the sun today, reading our new core text 'Charlotte's Web' outside on the grass. They also enjoyed exploring some of the main characters through role play #literacy #outdoorlearning #readingforpleasure



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## Dates for Your Diary

### Parents Evenings

4/5/21, 6/5/21– Virtual Parents evenings

### Reports

16/7/21– End of year reports

### Theme Weeks

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

### Provisional Performances—pending Government Guidance

w/c/ 21/06/21 - Creative Arts Outdoor Gallery .

w/c 19/7/21 – Celebration week

### Sports Day Week

w/c/ 18/06/21

### Y6 HeartStart Training

Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> June & Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June-

### Year 6 activities—dates tbc

### End of Term

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2021

### Back to school

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021

**We continue to respond to the changing situation with the pandemic to prioritise safety for all. Dates are subject to change and are likely to run differently to in a normal year. We continue to follow government guidance on what we can and cannot do safely. We will communicate further arrangements as soon as we can.**

### 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**



Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Apr 13

Wonderful strength, teamwork, problem solving and mathematical play as the children manoeuvre the tyres across the grass #EYFS #Physical #JCAMaths #teamwork

