



Jerry Clay Academy Newsletter

Friday 30th April 2021

Dear Parents

We have had a wonderful week in school and it has been great to see the children's enjoyment of learning across the curriculum. There has been fantastic art work, drama and dance as well as outdoor learning opportunities. These enriching activities are really helping the children to fully engage with their learning and to enjoy learning as a team. The children have particularly impressed us this week with their caring learner trait, helping one another as well as caring about the quality of their learning and caring for the environment.



Parents Evening

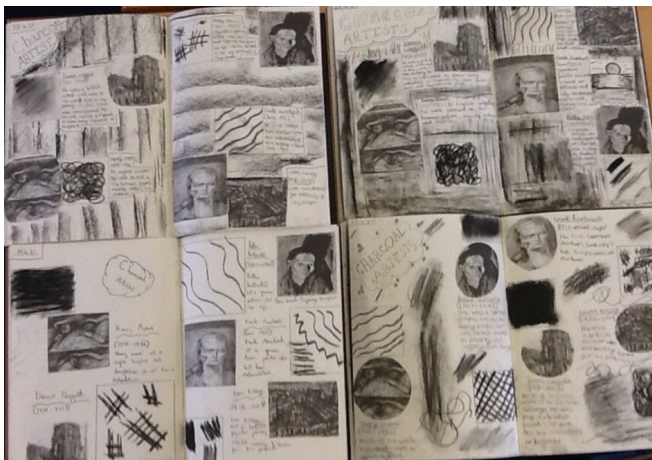
Teachers are looking forward to speaking with you on Tuesday or Thursday next week with an update on how your child has settled back into school routines and on their progress so far this year. They will have sent you an appointment day and time as well as Teams link via ParentMail. I will also be available during the Parent evenings to take enquiries and will send out a separate Teams link on Tuesday that can be used to speak directly with me. For your information, the teachers are continuously assessing the children's needs as part of their teaching and have carried out additional assessments over recent weeks which they are using to ensure that every child's individual needs are identified and addressed.

PTA

Thank you to everyone who attended the PTA Zoom meeting on Tuesday. We are so grateful for the tireless work of the PTA. Despite having a very different year this year, they have managed to raise a considerable amount to provide Christmas treats and events in school as well as to fundraise for our future plans including replacing our pupil ipads. Thank you for supporting the PTA and please listen out for important information about how you can get involved coming soon!

Parking around school

Please could we ask that you are careful when parking around school not to block access for residents including access to the field adjacent to the school site. Thank you.



Summer dates

Please find a list of potential events coming up in the summer term later in this newsletter. Learning and wellbeing in school remains our priority and are excited by some of our key dates to come; the next being our Creative Arts Week at the end of May. We are working on our plans as to how best to share our learning and events with you dependant on government guidance.

I hope you have a lovely bank holiday weekend. Thank you as always for your support. Best wishes

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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: 26th April 2021

Reception - Harley Brown

Year 1- Chloe Murray

Year 2- Maximillian Pearson

Year 3- Myla Robinson

Year 4- Thomas Cooney

Year 5- Saleem Carter

Year 6- Oliver Gorbutt

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	99.33 %	99.48 %
Year 1	100 %	98.88%
Year 2	96.67 %	98.75 %
Year 3	93.55 %	98.62 %
Year 4	98 %	98.53%
Year 5	97.42 %	98.76 %
Year 6	97.14 %	96.64 %

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 – 98.54% Keep it up, well done!



WRAP AROUND CARE

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

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 1st 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

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 27

Reception Class have enjoyed sorting, counting and transporting the plastic and cardboard in our 'recycling centre' Lots of fabulous discussions and questions #EYFS #JCAOutdoorLearning #Maths #Physical #teamwork #recycling #savetheplanet

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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · 5h

Year 6 have practised our ratio and measuring skills by baking and decorating fairy cakes . We wrote our own ratio word problems to match our real life maths. #JCACurriculum

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Year 4 have been working on making their movements extra strong in dance this morning. Miss Hoyte was super impressed, well done!

169 views 0:07 / 0:20

Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Apr 28

Year 6 have worked incredibly hard this afternoon, focussing on researching a variety of charcoal artists ready to inspire them for their final pieces. #JCACurriculum #JCAarts

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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Apr 28

Year 3 have shown such perseverance in their remote learning this week to produce some fantastic pieces of work. We cannot wait to be back together in school #remoteteaching

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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Apr 28

Year 1 have been experimenting with printmaking today - using both natural and man-made materials. We mixed different green shades and then learnt how to get the perfect print, we loved the rollers! #JCAart #printmaking #experimenting

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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

Year 6 activities

w/c/ 25/06/21

End of Term

Thursday 22nd July 2021

Back to school

Wednesday 8th 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