



Jerry Clay Academy Newsletter

Friday 2nd July 2021

Dear Parents

Good news!

We always like to end the week by celebrating good news in the academy and this week we have been reflecting on the remarkable resilience of the children. They are continuing to 'shine' in school: really thriving and clearly enjoying their learning. Despite all of the challenges they have faced this year, they continue to show such positive attitudes and brilliant learner traits. We are so proud of them and all their perseverance really is paying off. Thank you for everything you continue to do to support the children: they are doing so well. Your child's end of year report is being prepared in school and will be sent out on Friday 16th July.



We also had a very special visitor in school on Thursday morning. We were thrilled to welcome Mrs Swinburne! It was lovely to see her on her visit with another school leader to share the excellence at JCA in phonics and the learning environment.

Year 6 Jerry Fun Week



Year 6 have had a fabulous week of activities in school this week as they were unable to go on their residential visit this year. They have enjoyed indoor and outdoor sports and activities including Camp JCA with den building and campfire songs and stories, archery and an inflatable assault course. On Wednesday, they produced a 'Play in a Day' which was a sensational performance of 'The Lion King' led by Miss Hoyte and they loved their disco on Thursday evening. A big thank you to Miss Karlsson, Mrs Hart and

Mrs Holmes for organising this special week of activities and to our PTA for funding the assault course. You can find photos of this memorable week on our twitter feed @JCAWakefield

Covid self isolations

Please continue to be cautious if your child is ill and not send them to school. There are a wider range of symptoms now associated with the new variant including sore throats and a runny nose. We want to do everything we can to keep the children learning in school and are maintaining our covid secure bubbles and control measures. Unfortunately, with Covid cases on the rise locally, some children in school have been needing to self-isolate. Please be assured that if your child is required to isolate or if their bubble closes we will be supporting them with home learning set on Seesaw or Tapestry.

Celebration Week

Our final week of term is a celebration week, a special time to reflect on, share and feel really proud of all the achievements of the year. This year the celebration assemblies will be recorded in school and you will be sent a link to watch these on Wednesday 21st July. Due to the continuing uncertainties around the impact of Covid in school, we need to share these assemblies virtually this year however we are really looking forward to welcoming you into school as soon as possible.

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: 2nd July 2021

Reception - Henry Percival

Year 1– Theo Hawkins

Year 2– Alex Chang and Emily Blaylock

Year 3– Oliver Butler

Year 4– Aadhi Sundaram

Year 5– Riley Fuentes

Year 6–

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%**.

Class	This week	Year to date from the start of September
Reception	99.33 %	98.9 %
Year 1	95.27 %	98.24 %
Year 2	99.31 %	98.10 %
Year 3	97.99 %	98.15 %
Year 4	99.31 %	98.53 %
Year 5	89.14 %	97.24 %
Year 6	97.06 %	96.94 %

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

97% + AT OR ABOVE SCHOOL TARGET
BELOW 95%- CAUSING CONCERN & LESS CHANCE OF PROGRESS
90% & BELOW- PERSISTANT ABSENCE- SERIOUS ATTENDANCE CONCERN

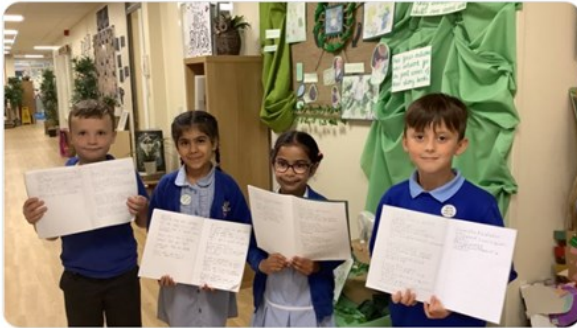
WHOLE SCHOOL TARGET – 97.40%
ACTUAL – 98.02% Keep it up, well done!



Highlights of the Week from Twitter



Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Jun 29
Year 1 have written poems based on their Read Write Inc book Jellybean. They have really been striving with their beautiful handwriting.
[@RuthMiskinEdu](#) #Strivetobethebestwecanbe



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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Jul 1
Steampunk bugs and mechanical loose part play #EYFS #steampunk #creative #STEM #problemsolving



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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Jun 30
Year 3 have really been enjoying making some scrumptious waffles and raspberry coulis this afternoon, as part of our DT lesson. We are currently exploring seasonal fruit and vegetables 🍓🥕



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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Jun 29
Year 6 have been busy den building this morning - the perfect place to enjoy our stores later! We have named it Camp JCA! #teamwork #Year6Funfest



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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · Jul 1
Year 1 have used their home grown spinach, salad leaves and radishes to create a jungle feast this afternoon! The beetroot and peas are still growing!
[@innocent](#) #JCAMaths #JCADT #JCAScience



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Jerry Clay Academy @JCAWakefield · 42m
A fantastic disco for Year 6! Look out for more photos via ParentMail!
#JCAFunFest



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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/>



Dates for Your Diary

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

Celebration Week wc 19th July

A link to a recording of Celebration assemblies will be sent out on Wednesday 21st July

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