



Jerry Clay Academy Newsletter

Friday 22nd July 2022

Dear Parents / Carers

SO MUCH TO BE PROUD OF!

I would like to personally wish you all a very happy and enjoyable summer. It has been fabulous to realign back to JCA since September and support the growth and further development of JCA with such a dedicated team—it really has been an absolute joy! Throughout the turbulence of another disrupted year, the children and staff have been so resilient & worked so hard to ensure JCA has been the best it can be. The academy has achieved some excellent outcomes in every year group and the curriculum offer continues to strengthen. My thanks go to everyone for making this happen! Next academic year, I will continue to work with the JCA team and build our multi-academy trust. I will update you along our exciting next chapter of the journey to 'accomplishing' even greater things.



As Strategic Lead of our Jerry Clay English Hub, I am also incredibly proud of the wonderful standards achieved across our region. Our dedicated team have worked relentlessly with schools to improve Phonics standards & have succeeded with bells on! We are so proud that our hub has contributed to an increased average score across Wakefield. My thanks go to the committed English Hub team. Jerry Clay Academy and the brilliant children have showcased the excellent work and impacted on so many visitors.

Here are a few statistics to share with you, which we are very proud of:

106 audits have been completed

172 schools have been funded

I wish to thank you all for your incredible support of our academy. This continues to contribute to our vibrant community and I hope you all have a fantastic summer. Next year we look forward to building on our work, growing our multi-academy trust and accomplishing great things!

With warm regards,

Mrs. T Swinburne

1040 people have attended medium level support since 2018

17 schools have been part of TSRC (Transforming School Reading Culture) this year

29 schools have been partner schools

692 people have attended intense training





Celebration Assemblies

It has been lovely to see so many parents and carers in school over the past week for our Celebration assemblies. We have been incredibly proud of the children this year and of everything they have achieved. It is certainly true that we have all continued to face challenges this year and yet we have worked together with families to ensure that the children have had a fantastic year. We have loved welcoming parents / carers and our community into the academy; with performances and Nativities at Christmas, parent workshops and galleries such as Year 1's Breakfast with Paddington and our Creative Arts Gallery and Performances. It is



amazing to look back on how far we have come over the course of the year and we are hoping for a brilliant year to come!

Thank you!

The incredibly strong position all our children are in with their learning is thanks to the consistent and relentless drive

we have all shared to ensure they have remained happy, healthy and learning over the course of the pandemic. We have continued to 'adapt and overcome' and the children have shown such resilience. We are equally proud of each every member of our staff team who relentlessly strive to support every single child with such care, skill and dedication. Thank you for your kind words, warm wishes, cards and gifts this week. This is so appreciated.

Good luck to Year 6! We are so proud!

What a special day to celebrate the amazing achievements of our Year 6 class who have been so resilient and determined and have achieved such excellent outcomes despite three disrupted years and having missed so much face to face education. They have celebrated today with parents and staff and their humour, warmth and friendship were plain to see. A big thank you also to the Year 6 staff Miss Karlsson, Mrs Hart and Mrs Longley for their relentless hard work to teach and support them throughout the year. We wish them all the very best in the future and we know they are going to be just brilliant whatever they choose to do. Stay in touch Year 6!



I hope you all have a good summer and we look forward to seeing the children back when school opens for the Autumn term on **Wednesday 7th September**.

A date for your diary: **Meet the Teacher – Thursday 8th September at 3:45 or 4:10pm.**

Attend a presentation of your child's new year group curriculum, routines and expectations; an opportunity to meet the new teacher and ask any questions.

With very best wishes.

Mrs C Elliott Headteacher





Special mentions of the year!

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 Special Mention; someone who has really stood out during the whole year for demonstrating excellent learner traits, fantastic attitudes to their learning and consistently being the 'best that they can be' every day. Well done!



Special Mention of the Year 2021- 2022

Reception - George Bromby

Year 1- Douglas Trevena

Year 2- Jessica Toth

Year 3- Jasmine Mawi

Year 4- Millie Bagshaw

Year 5- Claudia Stringer

Year 6—Olivia-May Shaw



Diamond Dash Grand Final

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Throughout the year, the children have been persevering with their times tables and to pass the different levels in Diamond Dash. The earliest levels see the children learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's and progress through learning the different times tables up to Gold level where the children have mastered all the times tables, related division facts, square numbers and square roots up to 12×12 . We now have so many children who have passed Gold and progressed even further to our super challenging Quartz, Quartz star and Platinum levels which entail mastering the 13-19 times tables, relating times tables to larger place values and to decimals.

The Grand Final this week saw the fastest five children who have passed 'Gold' go head to head in front of the whole school in a quick fire contest. Each finalist did incredibly well and our Diamond Dash champion was Nataniel in Year 5.



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JERRY CLAY ACADEMY WRAP-AROUND CARE

Can we help you with 'Wrap Around' Care provision for your children?

Here at Jerry Clay Academy, we pride ourselves in offering a safe and nurturing, high quality wrap-around care service to support our children and families, with a popular Breakfast Club and After School Club.

Lead by our beloved Mrs Pickersgill and her experienced team, we welcome children of all age groups to join us to engage in fun activities, meet friends across the school and provide a safe caring environment within their familiar school setting.

Please note our wraparound care costs from September 2022,. These reflect our rising costs and are benchmarked within the local area.

Breakfast Club

From 7.30am - £5.25

After School Club

Collect before 4.30pm - £5.50

Collect before 5.15pm - £8.25

Collect by 6pm - £10.45

After School Club Session following an extra-curricular club to 4.30pm (in addition to the club price)

Collect before 5.15pm - £4.95

Collect by 6pm - £8.00

Reduced fees are available where siblings attend the same session after school. The reduced fees from 1st September 2022 are: £7.75 (collect up to 5.15pm) / £9.95 (collect by 6pm).

We accept Childcare vouchers from company schemes and the government tax-free childcare scheme.

Junior Leadership Careers Fair.

On Monday, our Year 6 Junior Leaders held a 'Junior Leader' Careers Fair for our Year 5 children to prepare them for their step up to Year 6 in September.

It was brilliant to hear them speak about their impact on all the children in the academy this year. Thank you Year 6!

Well done Year 5 for asking great questions too. They will find out about how to apply for roles early next term.



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Dates for Your Diary 2022–23

INSET DAYS

Monday 5th September 2022
Tuesday 6th September 2022
Friday 18th November 2022
Monday 24th July 2023
Tuesday 25th July 2023

Parents Evenings

Thursday 8th September 2022 – Meet the teacher 3:45 – 4.05 and 4.10-4.30
Tuesday 29th November and Thursday 1st December 2022– Parents' evenings
Tuesday 21st March and Thursday 23rd March – Parents' evenings

Reports

Friday 25th November 2022 - Progress check out to parents
Friday 17th March 2023 – Progress check out to parents
14th July 2023 – End of year reports to parents

Theme Days/Weeks

Wc 18/10/21 - History Week
3/03/22 - World Book Day
wc 4/4/22 – Theme week
wc23/05/22- Creative Arts week

Performances

2/12/22 – Reception Activity Morning
6/12/22 (9.30am) and 7/12/23 9.30am – Reception nativity
12/12/22 – Christmas carols around the tree
13/12/22 (9.30am) and 14/12/22 (2pm) – Year 1 and 2 Nativity
15/12/22 Christingle at St. Annes (AM)
14/06/23- Art gallery evening
04/07/23 (Evening) & 5/07/23 (Afternoon)– Creative Arts performances
w/c 17/7/23 – Celebration week

Sports Day

30/6/23 7/7/22 Reserve Sports Day

Summer Fair

1/7/23 (TBC)



Jerry Clay Academy

Child Protection & Safeguarding

The designated **Child Protection Officers** for this academy are:

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The designated **Safeguarding Governor** is Mr A Carter

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