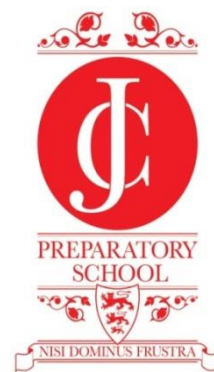


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Dear Parents, Students, Families and Friends of JCP

I think it is safe to say that autumn has most definitely arrived! As the weather becomes more unpredictable please may I just remind you of the arrangements if it is raining at drop-off and pick-up times:

Wet weather

Before school

08:00 Doors open

- Reception & Yr1 to the main Library with parents – please quietly settle & share a book together
- Yr2 - Yr6 to the school hall

08:15 Yr1 down to the KS1 IT area, Reception remain in Library

08:30 Bell rings – Reception down to cloakrooms

After School

If wet, the doors will open 5 mins before the end of day – please wait quietly in cloakrooms/entrance areas.

Thank you!

Winter Uniform

As we head into the more unsettled weather, it is perfectly fine for the children to start to wear their 'winter' uniform should they wish to do so!

Car Parking/traffic, etc.

We still seem to be having issues regarding people being blocked in, unable to find places to park, etc. I have met with the site manager and we are going to increase the staffing at the peak times after school (2:30 – 3:15pm), starting on Monday, in an attempt to help you find a place more easily and to prevent people being blocked in, etc. As such there will now be 3 car park attendants who will be liaising with each other to direct you accordingly. Please do follow their instructions as they are genuinely trying to help everyone to pick-up their children as quickly and safely as possible!

To help with this, when you have collected your chil(ren) from Reception/KS1 please try to get back to your car as quickly as possible so that you can clear a space for another one! Thank you.

This will be just the start of having a fresh look at how everyone travels to and from school. I am keen to encourage more of our older (KS2) pupils to take the bus or even walk down into St Helier to meet with parents – perhaps in pairs – and I will be collating ideas over the next few weeks.

Prep Governor

We have 2 candidates who have put their names forward for the position of JCP Parent Governor, details of which were outlined to you a while ago. As such we will be going to a parent vote to elect the new governor at the beginning of next week. I will send out an email next week with the details and a link to the survey for you to vote. Only parents of children currently at JCP will be eligible to vote. Please do take the opportunity to do so – as they will be our parent representative on the Board of Governors for the next 3 years!

Communication

We strive to ensure that, as parents, you have all the latest up-to-date information about what is going on here at school. This includes information about clubs, trips, events and meetings; not to mention incidental moments about learning itself through our Facebook & Twitter feeds. I appreciate that some parents find the volume of information a bit much, however we are organizing our groups as we go along so only parents of

children in that class/club, etc. receive the relevant information. This is an ongoing process, so please bear with us as we refine this further.

Likewise some find that the pdf format (just like this one!) tends to be difficult to read on a hand held device so we are going to try the following:

- We will try to reduce the number of emails sent out each day by posting more general messages on Facebook/Twitter
- We will, where possible, keep the body of the text in the email itself and attach the pdf for those who may wish to print it out later.

Our school information management system (SIMS), which we are obliged to use, contains all your contact details so we have work around this system as best as we can. Hopefully these small changes will make a difference!

Extra Public Holiday 8th May 2020

Looking ahead, the States of Jersey have decided that Friday 8th May 2020 will be an additional public holiday to celebrate that 75th anniversary of the liberation of Jersey. As a school we will be looking ahead at how we might celebrate this special time – watch this space!

Outstanding Forms for School

Thank you to all who have completed and returned the various forms given out recently. We are still waiting for a few of these to come back. It is vitally important that we receive this information so please would those have a form outstanding return at their earliest convenience. Thank you.

Harvest Collections

We would be delighted to receive any further donations in readiness for our assembly on Monday 7th October. Please could any food items be left on the stage area in the School Hall.

Music News

Congratulations to Savanna and Rosie who sang with the Musical Originals Choir at the international choir festival in Rimini. They successfully won both the groups that they entered and were highly praised for the standard of the choir. Well done - such an incredible achievement.

This week I have entered the whole of Year 3, the Year 4 junior choir and the senior choir to sing in the music Eisteddfod in November. More details will follow but this will be during school time and children will be transported to and from the Opera House by coach. The senior choir has a couple more spaces and I am aware there are quite a few very good singers in Year 5 and 6 who are not coming to choir, some who even have singing lessons. This is a great shame and a missed opportunity for girls to be involved in a choir who are invited to sing at many events throughout the year.

Mrs Smith

Sports fixtures/clubs this week

Monday 30th October:

- o Netball A team v FCJ (3.00-4.15pm on the school playground)
- o Netball B team v Grouville (3.15-4.15pm at Grouville school - parents to transport the girls please)

Wednesday 2nd November:

- o **No** Year 5/6 football training

3K Fun run:

Please let Miss Bichard m.bichard@jcp.sch.je know by Thursday 3rd October if your daughter has registered for the Standard Chartered 3K fun run and wishes to be part of the school team.

Eco News

Welcome to a brand new term of EcoSchools!

Our new and enthusiastic Year 6 Eco Leaders – Amelie, Emily and Amelia are keen to recruit a new Eco Committee team across the school, from Reception to Year 5.

This can be represented by one child from each class only.

In the past, we have distributed application forms to those children who are interested in joining – but this year, we would like anyone who is interested to contact us by email.

If your child would like a chance to be a part of this, please support by helping them to type an email to eco@jcp.sch.je telling us why they would like to join our Eco team, also detailing any new Eco ideas they may have for the coming academic year.

Each email should include the child's full name, year group and class – as the subject.

Closing date Monday 30th October.

Mrs Christopher – Eco Leader

“It's cool to be an Eco School!”

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY (New dates/changes in Red)

October

- 1st-4th Year 6 French trip
- 9th 2nd Hand Uniform Sale – 2.30–3.30pm
- 17th Vision Screening
- 18th **PTA Cake Sale for pupils – details to follow**
- 21st Vision Screening
Parent/Teacher Meetings – 5.00–7.00pm
- 23rd Flu Vaccination Program – All Years
- 24th Vision Screening
Parent/Teacher Meetings – 3.00–6.00pm
- 28th Half – Term week

November

- 13th De Putron Challenge Year 6
- 15th Children in Need
- 16th **VCP JCP Joint Disco Y5&6, 7-9pm**
- 23rd 2nd Hand Uniform Sale - 9.30-10.30am
- 29th PTA Deco Day

December

- 2nd Vision Screening recalls
- 10th Key Stage 2 Carol Service – 6.00pm
- 11th Reception Nativity – 1.30pm
2nd Hand Uniform Sale - 2.30-3.30pm
- 12th Reception Nativity – 9.15am
- 13th Year 1 Performance - 1.30pm
- 17th Year 2 Performance - 9.15am
- 19th Christmas parties day in school
- 20th End of term – School closes at 12:00 noon

Kind regards



Mr Richard Sugden
Head Teacher