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Dear Parents

### **Back to School**

It has been great to welcome everyone back over this last week – at last we really feel like a whole school again. As we head back into our ‘normal’ learning routines I would like to thank you, once again, for all the support you have given your children with their home-learning, no matter how difficult this may have been, over the last 3 months. Your efforts at home will bring their dividends as the children catch up – much quicker than if you had done nothing, I assure you. Thank you!

### **Pick-up & Drop-off**

Thank you for your patience as we have developed systems to enable all children and parents to get in and out of school in as safe a way as possible. No matter how many signs and cones we put out, in order for this to really work, it relies on **everyone keeping a good look out and avoiding, where possible, encroaching within 1m of each other** – just as you would do in a supermarket or walking along King’s Street in St Helier. Please try to be mindful of others and maintain that 1m distance as much as possible.

Please could we also ask that you leave the school grounds as soon as you have collected your child in order to keep the staggered collection flowing. Thank you.

### **Hot Weather**

We are very lucky to have had such wonderful weather for most of this week! Please can I remind you to make sure your children have a suitable summer cap with them. If you do not have a regulation school cap, please feel free to use one from home for the time being.

Please also remember to apply any sun cream before coming to school as we cannot do this for you at school.

### **Transition**

Around this time of the year we are usually getting prepared to do a full transition day on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. This year we will not all be doing this in quite the usual way:

Year 6 will have 2 days at JCG as usual

Reception and Year 1 will meet their new teachers for September when they drop into their classes for an hour or so on the Friday morning.

Year 2 girls will have an afternoon together with their new Year 3 teachers and the girls who will be joining us from other schools in the school hall on either Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> or Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> – we’ll let you know which day soon!

Unfortunately our Year 2 boys will not be able to visit VCP this year due significant logistical issues.

For the rest of the school, to avoid having to mix everyone up, we have decided that we will do our transition activities right at the beginning of the new school term in September. We will, however let the children know which classes they will be in!

### **Staffing news**

We have recently undergone a successful recruitment process and I am delighted to announce that we have appointed Miss Ashleigh Cummins to cover for Mrs Toudic’s maternity leave. Some of you may well recognise that name – Miss Cummins taught in Reception before leaving to go travelling. The fact is that some of the girls in Year 4 will probably have been in her class in Reception!

## Hot Lunches Autumn Term for Key Stage 2

Online booking now open for Key Stage 2 Hot Lunches for the Autumn term. Please note deadline for ordering Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July. Please order via <https://www.jerseycollegeforgirls.com/jcp-hot-lunches/>

## Bus Club

We have not yet officially re-opened bus club so far, however if you would like to put your child down for this for the remainder of the term please would you email [admin@jcp.sch.je](mailto:admin@jcp.sch.je) to register your interest, and state which day(s) you would require and we will get back to you as soon as possible. For those who have not used this before, we will look after the children here until about 3:20pm and then take them over to JCG to catch their bus. You will need to get your bus pass sorted in advance.

## Little Leopards After School Club

They are looking to be able to reopen w/b 6<sup>th</sup> July for the last 2 weeks if possible. You will be contacted directly by Mrs Healey about this shortly to find out the level of interest. Due to the general lack of numbers, there will be no holiday club over the summer holidays.

## Music News

As we are not allowed to sing in school at the moment I will continue to upload singing lessons on Seesaw for KS1. Thank you so much for all the videos and comments that have been sent over the past weeks. It was a joy to watch all the children enjoying music at home! As I am in school now, it may be a while before I can respond to anything but I will at some point.

All instrumental lessons will stay online and out of school hours until the end of term due to the Government restrictions in place at this time.

In September we will have spaces to learn clarinet and flute (current year 3's and 4's) and one space to learn the saxophone (current year 4's or 5's)

If you would like your daughter to learn one of these instruments please email me [l.smith@jcp.sch.je](mailto:l.smith@jcp.sch.je) Please consider if they have time to undertake the required amount of practise.

I will be working on the timetables in the coming weeks and it would be very helpful if your child does not have hot lunch on the day of their instrumental lessons especially the JMS lessons as they are not as flexible with the times. Junior Polyphony lessons should remain the same- Monday - drums (Mr Willcocks), Monday and Tuesday - violin (Miss Millow), Wednesday - flute (Mrs Reid), Thursday - brass (Mrs Lumbard) and woodwind (Mr Thomas), Friday - cello (Mrs Cavey).

Mrs Smith

## Sports Kits

Could all girls who have borrowed sports kits (netball & football) please return them to Miss Bichard by the end of next week.

Wishing you all a great weekend!

With kind regards

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

<b>July</b>	
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term
<b>September</b>	
Weds 2 <sup>nd</sup>	INSET day – school closed
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Start of Term
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	PTA 2 <sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Sale and new miscellaneous items – 8.30-9.30 and 2.30-3.30pm
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	Battle of Britain INSET – school closed
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Parent/Teacher introductory curriculum meeting – 6:00 – 7:30pm