



## The West Jesmond Family Newsletter 9 Spring Term 2024

Welcome to our Spring Term Week 8 Newsletter. I hope you like this lovely painting of flowers by Sophie to put us all in the spring mood!



### Comic Relief 2024

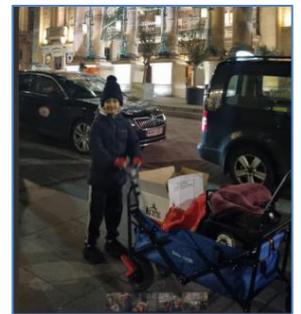
It was great fun to see so many children in pyjamas or dressed in coming in to school this morning. Thank you to everyone who donated to the cause.

### Parent Consultations

Thank you to everyone who attended the Parent Consultation evenings this week. If you were unable to make one of the evenings, please speak with the class teacher to arrange an alternative time. Remember, you do not have to wait for these formal meetings to talk with the classteacher or any of our team about your child.

### Sujaan's Special 500 Dojo Award

This week in assembly, we awarded the latest of our special 500 Dojo awards. These are certificates given out when one of our children has done something extra special in or out of school. Sujaan celebrated his birthday this year by going out in the evening on to the streets of Newcastle along with members of his family to serve food to people who were homeless or in need of support. He helped to give out tea and coffee, hot meals (including Granny's homemade biryani and chickpeas), warm clothing and sleeping bags. Sujann said he made some new friends on the street and that he learnt a lot from them and would like to continue doing this whenever possible. Sujaan, you have demonstrated what the West Jesmond Family is all about and we are very proud of you!



### Apple Tree Grafting

Year 4 worked with Alistair (a horticulturalist) and members of the Team from the Jesmond Community Orchard to learn how apple trees are created by grafting together two stems from different types of apple. We created our own grafts and are looking forward to following the progress of our saplings as they (hopefully!) develop into healthy trees.



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### Fire Safety Work shop

Year 4 also welcomed in, Katie from Tyne and Wear Fire Service came to give Year 4 a workshop in some very important lessons in fire safety. Ask us what we learnt!



### Help to shape and further improve our school at the [Parent Partnership Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> March: All Invited](#)

Thank you if you have already signed up for our Parent Partnership meeting via Weduc. There is still time for more parents to join this chance to share ideas about how to further improve our school.

### Great Art Work

Harriett came to show me this lovely picture from her art lesson this week. The class have been using charcoals and shading to produce their pictures. I am sure you agree that Harriett's shows a lovely eye for detail care and great use of shading. Well done Harriett.



### Uniform Donations

The [Friends of West Jesmond Primary School](#) are asking for donations of pre-loved school uniform. Please drop off any school jumpers, T-shirts, hoodies, trousers, skirts and dresses to the Office by Thursday. Information about a sale will follow soon.



### Happy Nowruz!

We hope the families celebrating Persian New year, Nowruz, have had a lovely week. We join with you in welcoming in the start of spring!

### Ramadan

We also send our greetings and best wishes to all of our families who are fasting over this period and marking the month of Ramadan.

Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Matt Ward (Headteacher)

## Dates for Your Diary

### The Week Ahead

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| ❖ Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March 9am    | Year 3 Parents' Workshop               |
| ❖ Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March (2pm) | Year 4 Parents' Workshop               |
|  | School Council Visit to Fleming Court  |
|  | Year 5/6 Basketball Team to Tournament |
| ❖ Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March     | Parent Partnership Meeting             |
|  | Girls Football Team Tournament         |
| ❖ Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March      | Dance Club to Dance Festival           |
|  | Year 1 Parents' workshop               |
| ❖ Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March        | Year 6 at JPA Careers Fair             |

### Further ahead

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| ❖ Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> March  | Year 6 Shakespeare Performance Northern Stage |
| ❖ Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March | Break up for Easter Holidays                  |
| ❖ Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April   | Start of the Summer Term                      |
| ❖ Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> May     | Children's Cancer Run                         |
| ❖ Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May  | School Choir and Djembe Band Jesmond Festival |
| ❖ Friday May 24 <sup>th</sup>     | School Closed: OLT Training Day               |
| ❖ Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June     | Back to school                                |
| ❖ Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July  | Year 4 Scottish Opera Performance             |
| ❖ Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> July     | Sports Day Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2        |
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| ❖ Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July    | End of Term                                   |

## EasyFundraising

The Friends are registered with a shopping app called **easyfundraising**. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use the **easyfundraising** link to shop with them – at no extra cost for you. All you need to do is sign up and remember to use **easyfundraising** whenever you shop online. It is easy and completely FREE. These donations really help us.

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