

Thursday 6th January 2022



Dear Parents,



Happy New Year.

It was wonderful to welcome our children back to school on Wednesday and I am very proud of the learning I have already seen. A great start to the new term!

In tomorrow's assembly, I am going to look at months of the calendar year, exploring where these have come from. This is a common theme in my January assemblies, as (spoiler alert) the Roman God Janus is one of my favourite gods! I find Janus a fascinating deity, not only in his role as the god who looks after doorways but also because he has two heads, one facing backwards and the other looking forwards. This reminds us that in the month named after him we should be reflecting on the past and looking forward to the future -- an appropriate theme for my first assembly of the new year, as we can all think about setting challenges that we want to achieve in the next term.

I look forward to seeing our successes, as we achieve the goals that we set ourselves.

Here's to a great term.

**Kind regards,
Mr Harris**

If your child receives a positive test result for COVID-19, please contact admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk as soon as possible, giving the child's name, class, date of test.



TO OUR NEW STAFF!

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We welcome Ms Cope, who will be teaching 4M whilst Miss Twigg is on maternity leave, and Mrs Lund, who will be working as part of the administration team.



SCHOOL OPERATIONS

We will be limiting some school activities during the next few weeks, including whole-school events and school trips. This is so that we can review our plans and ensure that our activities fully consider current risks. Breakfast and after-school clubs will run as usual. We will not be running other after-school activities at the start of term; we will review this during the next two weeks.



COVID-19

Please can parents ensure that, if a child is sent home with COVID symptoms, they are given a full PCR test and the result emailed to the school before they return.



DONATION

Our thanks go out to Saskia in 5J and her family, as her grandmother left a very kind donation to the Royal Hill library in her will. We are excited about the wonderful books this will allow us to buy and enjoy.



INDIVIDUAL MUSIC LESSONS

Individual music lessons will re-start next week (beginning 10th January).

Please can parents note that we need at least half a term's notice if you wish to stop lessons and you would like us to refund your music deposit, as we have to plan booking our tutors well in advance. This includes if your child is leaving the school -- you must notify the music admin separately.



WEBSITE

Over the Christmas holiday, you will have noticed that our website layout has changed, as we have taken the opportunity to relaunch our website – it has the same information as our previous site but the design has been refreshed. This will also allow us to add new information in the future.

The address remains the same: <http://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk>.

IMPORTANT DATES

Spring Term 2022

Thursday 6th January -- Nursery Children Return to School

Monday 17th January -- Possible date for start of Spring Term After-School Activities

Wednesday 19th January -- Girls' Football League Fixture Day (Meridian Sports Club)

Thursday 20th January -- Individual Pupil Photos (RP Only)

Friday 21st January -- Individual Pupil Photos (RH Only)

Thursday 27th January -- Football Team League Fixture Day (Meridian Sports Club)

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



Happy New Year!

We hope you have all had a peaceful break. Looking at our fundraising calendar for the remainder of the year, we are hopeful that the planned events, including our remaining fairs, can go ahead. As ever, we welcome all ideas and suggestions. If you would to attend one of our meetings, please email and we will send you a Zoom invite.

****LIBRARY FUNDRAISER!****

Congratulations! With all of your help, we have reached our target for the Library Fundraiser. The money will be used to buy new books for the libraries across both campuses, as it is important that our libraries are continually stocked with good books for the children to borrow.

Please follow/like us on Twitter/Facebook to find out more about what we do, as well as about upcoming social/fundraising events. All are welcome!

Email: friendsofJWS@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/FJWSGreenwich>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich>

A promotional poster for the Greenwich Branch of Anna Fiorentini Theatre & Film School. The poster has a yellow background with a blue and pink diagonal banner. The banner contains the text "DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND OUR GREENWICH BRANCH IS OPENING A NEW AFTERNOON SCHOOL". Below the banner, there are three images of children performing on stage. To the right of the images, the text reads "ANNA FIORENTINI THEATRE & FILM SCHOOL" and "SINGING | DRAMA | DANCE". Below this, it says "FOR 7 - 18 YEARS", "James Wolfe School, SE10", "Saturdays | 10am-1pm OR 1.30pm-4.30pm", and "Sign up for a taster day: 5th February". At the bottom, there are three bullet points: "Increase in confidence through creative expression", "Learn new performance techniques and transferable life skills in a friendly, safe and supportive environment", and "Opportunity to potentially land leading roles on TV, Film and the West End Stage through our Talent Agency". At the very bottom, it says "FOR MORE INFO AND TO SIGN UP VISIT ANNAFIORENTINI.COM AND CLICK 'SCHOOLS' 020 7682 1403 | hello@afperformingarts.com".

James Wolfe pupils get 20% off their first term's fees and 10% off thereafter. The theatre school also has a bursary scheme, meaning it is possible they could offer a student who may struggle to afford fees a scholarship.

MUSIC LESSONS AVAILABLE!



Did You Know?

Music lessons can help develop language, memory, coordination, pattern recognition and creative thinking. Music lessons can also teach you how to work as part of a team and give you better self-confidence. It's even been proven to improve SAT scores!

Think you have what it takes to learn a musical instrument?

If you would like to learn a musical instrument we currently have spaces on our waiting list for the following instruments: violin, cello, trumpet, trombone, french horn, clarinet, flute, saxophone, piano, guitar and drums. For more information on how to sign up, please contact the school office.



PUPIL ASSET

Parents are able to edit their own details in Pupil Asset, so, if you have switched phone numbers or even spot a mistake, there is now no need to make a request from the school office, you can just log in and make the change yourself.

To log in to Pupil Asset, parents can either download their Parent App or log in to their ParentPortal. To create a password for the ParentPortal, please go to <http://parents.pupilasset.com/> and select Login Via ParentPortal, then First Time Login. Alternatively, you can download their app, either for iPhone from <https://apps.apple.com/gb/app/pupil-asset-parent-app/id1490994393>, or for Android from <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.rnparentapp>. Tap First Login then enter the email address we have on record for you. When you tap Submit, PA will send you an email which will allow you to set your password. **Your password will need to be at least eight characters long and include a number, or you will be unable to log in.** Please inform us if your email address has changed. Once you have created login details you will be able to sign in with them on the Login screen. Full instructions can be found at <https://www.pupilasset.com/help/how-to-guide/parental-communication-contactemailsmpatrr-/parents-app-overview-a-guide-for-parents>. The app/portal will initially only be used for dinner payments -- you will not, for example, be able to select meals as demonstrated in the guide and, indeed, our rules regarding this will remain the same.



AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS

The school works with two independent providers of after-school clubs -- One World, who are based within the school, and Smarteenies at The 10 Centre, which is adjacent to the school. You can contact One World at oneworldclub.uk@gmail.com or Smarteenies at smarteenies2009@hotmail.co.uk.



ARTS BLOG

Remember, parents and families can enjoy posts on **Arts R Cool**, our arts blog, which is a wonderful showcase for some of the exciting arts experiences that pupils at James Wolfe participate in. Once you have had a look, we would very much appreciate you leaving encouraging comments. You can find the blog at <https://jameswolfeprimary.wordpress.com/blog/>.



CONTACT DETAILS

Please can all parents make sure we have their updated telephone numbers and email addresses, as it is very important that the school has correct contact details.



TOYS IN SCHOOL

Please can we remind all parents that toys are not to be brought into school. This includes collectible cards, fidgets and poppets. We thank you for your help with this.



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