

**Dear Parents**,



To those that I haven't seen in the past week - a very Happy New Year!

We have had a great start to the Spring term, with teachers spending our training day focusing on art and music. We will be continually revising our provision, including introducing the children to new art techniques and developing their performance skills in music. We are also looking to develop children's music appreciation skills by introducing them to a wide and varied musical diet.

I had the honour of teaching Year 6 on Tuesday and introducing some of them to Bohemian Rhapsody for the very first time! I wish I could share a video of some of the facial expressions that I witnessed as they listened. Perhaps this weekend you could share a piece of music from your childhood that means something to you and discuss your responses as a family.

This week, we follow on from our focus on making resolutions and think about celebrating our successes. I will be talking to children about how a key part of learning is the importance of celebrating what you do well, as well as focusing on what you need to improve.

Perhaps another conversation for the weekend would be sharing what you knew you were good at when you were at school and what you remember having to show true **perseverance** with.

I wish all our families a wonderful, musical weekend.

Kind regards, Mr Westerby

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



#### FOOTBALL

James Wolfe's football teams had a busy Autumn Term, managing to perform brilliantly against a host of local primary schools. In December, the mixed team competed valiantly in a tournament at Charlton Athletic's training ground, whilst the girls' team had a fantastic start to the league season at Meridian Sports Ground. The new year looks very exciting, with both the mixed and girls' teams competing in their own leagues and tournaments, and continuing to develop as players and individuals. Well done to all our pupils involved and thank you to all parents and staff who have helped support our football teams!





### CARS IDLING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

We remind parents not to idle their vehicles outside the school, particularly in the evenings, when waiting for children to come out from after-school clubs or One World. The fumes contain a number of harmful gasses including carbon dioxide, which is bad for the environment and contributes towards climate change, as well as nitrogen dioxide, carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons, which are linked to asthma and other lung diseases.

Local authorities have the power to issue £20 fixed penalties for emission offences and stationary idling under The Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (England) Regulations 2002.



### **KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE**

We remind all parents that the zig-zag lines outside our school buildings must not be parked on by parents for drop off or collection of children. We have had incidents outside both campuses and we ask all parents to help keep our children safe as they walk to and from our school. To this end, the Greenwich Road Safety Team have organised for police officers to patrol outside each campus.



### 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.

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

### Spring Term 2022

Monday 24th January -- Possible date for start of Spring Term After-School Activities Wednesday 19th January -- Girls' Football League Fixture (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) Monday 7th February to Thursday 10th February -- Parents' Evenings

# Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



We hope you have settled back into school well. Please keep an eye out for upcoming fundraising events -- we are always looking for ideas and volunteers. If you are interested and can help, then please get in touch.

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



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.



Don't forget, school meals are free for all children in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2! To sign up for this tasty theme day menu, please speak to your school.



### **PROMPT ARRIVAL**

A punctual, settled start to the morning makes a significant difference to the quality of children's learning and the safety of all those around. Please ensure pupils arrive on time for class.



### FRENCH LEARNING AT HOME

To keep you having fun with French at home, James Wolfe has subscribed to Linguascope. Go to <u>https://www.linguascope.com/</u> and log in using the following details:

### Username: jwroyalhill Password: twenty21

Once you are signed in, click on the French flag in Elementary, then on any Galaxy you wish to explore. You can 'skip' the next part if you like, then click on a planet and get straight on with the activities. And remember, there's not just French available, but other languages too!



### **GDPR SIGN-UP**

The school office regularly hears from parents who are not subscribed to the Weekly Wolfe mailing list and so are not up-to-date with school information. Due to GDPR regulations, any parent who has not given specific permission for us to use their email address to circulate school notices (including the Weekly Wolfe) will not receive them. If you are reading this on our website or are aware of anyone who is missing out, please use/forward them our sign-up form at http://eepurl.com/duVNNr.

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