

At James Wolfe, we are constantly striving to further enrich the opportunities and experiences for our pupils – this may include playground improvements, extracurricular activities, development of indoor spaces (e.g. libraries), special provision, inspirational visitors and experiences. If you would like to make a contribution to our fundraising efforts, please go to our Go Fund Me page at <https://gofund.me/3f7ee947>. We will share updates on how we spend these donations in the Weekly Wolfe. Thank you in advance for your contributions.

Friday 8th September 2023



Dear Parents,



We have had the most fantastic first week back at school -- the children settled so well and the buzz around the school building has been wonderful. It is a pleasure to walk around and see such fantastic learners. Our Reception children have started brilliantly this week and will begin attending full-time next week. I want to take this opportunity to welcome all our new families to the James Wolfe community, which welcomed me so warmly last year. I am excited for this upcoming year and have lots planned.

Next week, on Wednesday 13th September at 3:45pm, we have a Meet the Teacher session. The slides will be shared with you if you are unable to attend this. These sessions are something that we introduced last year and we received really positive feedback about the opportunity to have some time to meet the teacher.

This newsletter currently goes out weekly and year groups share additional letters with further information. In order to streamline the information that you receive, we are in the process of changing our Weekly Wolfe to support you all. If you have any comments on what you would like to feature in the Weekly Wolfe, please contact admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk.

**Kind regards,
Ms Gallagher**

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



Welcome back! We hope everyone had a restful break.

This afternoon (Friday 8th), we will be holding a Used Uniform Sale, straight after school in the Randall Place playground. All logo'd items are £1 (other items are free!), with cash and card accepted, so you can do your bit both for your pocket and the environment! Please drop off any donations at the RP school office.

We have lots planned for the year ahead, so please stay tuned to find out more!

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>



MEET THE TEACHER

Next week, on Wednesday 13th September at 3:45pm, we have our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions, where teachers are able to share key information with you all. We hope that as many of you as possible will attend, as last year there was a lot of feedback from parents telling us these meetings were very useful and that they enjoyed meeting the teacher, as well as seeing their child's classroom. We will share the slides on the website for those of you who are not able to attend.



NEW STAFF

We welcome a number of new staff to our school this term. New teachers include Ms McGuire, who is teaching 1F, Miss McKenna, who is teaching 5M, Mr Cooke, who is teaching 2R and Miss Addae-Ankomah, who is teaching 1W.

We also welcome two staff members in the new role of PE & Sports Coach; they are Mrs Saunders (who previously taught our children Zumba) and Mr Junior.

Finally, in addition to Mr Lucchini, who is now a fully-fledged TA, who have four new Teaching Assistants -- Miss Parker, Mrs Aghaei Moghaddam, Miss Samuel and Mrs Stafasani; welcome all!



TRANSITION NEWSLETTER

Parents can find a copy of July's Transition Newsletter, containing information regarding classes and staffing for this year, at <https://tinyurl.com/536h8vzk>.



AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

After-school activities will commence during the week of Monday 25th September and will run for ten weeks, until Thursday 7th December. The booking letter will be emailed to parents towards the end of next week.



DINNERS

Please can parents note that a swap from packed lunches to school dinners, or vice versa, can only be made on the first days back after a holiday. If you wish to make a change, **especially now that all children (except Nursery) are entitled to Universal Free School Meals**, please ensure we are informed today -- and remember, all dinners will be free to all children (**except Nursery**) for this year.



MUSIC LESSONS

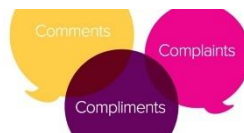
A reminder that, although the price James Wolfe charges for music lessons has not increased for a number of years, we are now in the unfortunate position of having to increase these costs to parents. From this term, music lessons (all instruments) will be £110 per term for ten weekly fifteen-minute lessons, equating to £11 per lesson. Children already having music lessons will be automatically re-enrolled for September, unless a parent lets the office know that they wish lessons to stop. Parents whose children are on the waiting list for lessons will be contacted when a space becomes available.



PUPIL INFORMATION

The Local Authority uses the information about children for whom it provides services in order to carry out the specific functions for which it is responsible, such as the assessment of any special educational needs a child may have. It also uses the information to derive statistics to inform decisions on, for example, the funding of schools, and to assess their performance. The statistics are used in such a way that individual children cannot be identified from them. To read full information regarding this, follow the link below:

https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/directory_record/484613/childrens_services



PARENTAL COMMENTS & COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

All of our efforts in our school are focused on ensuring that our work with pupils is of the highest possible standard. At times, parents may wish to discuss aspects of the school's work, or may wish to comment about their child's welfare or academic progress. Parents should follow the procedure, as defined in the school's policy on our website, which can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/jm8jawxh>. There are a number of people that you can raise a concern with. The class teacher is the initial staff member to contact. If you would like to raise this further, each year group has a leader. We also have a large SLT with an Assistant Headteacher allocated to each phase, as well as a Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher across both campuses.

We aim to have a member of SLT on the gate during drop-off times, whom you will be able to raise any queries with.



Bree's Little Stars

Making a difference, one child at a time

BREE'S LITTLE STARS

Bree's Little Stars would like to update you on their provision for this term, as well as welcoming both new parents and Nursery children. They are very much looking forward to seeing you and your children at their After-School Club (for Reception to Year 6), and have lots of fun activities ready to entertain them. They are also launching their new Breakfast Club for Nursery children, which will run Monday to Friday from 7:45am to 8:45am at a cost of £7 per session, with booking available on their Cheqdin System (for both Breakfast Club and A-SC). They will not be running a Breakfast Club for Reception to Year 6, as this is something already provided by the school.

Their After-School Clubs at Randall Place and Royal Hill run Monday to Friday from 3:15pm to 6:05pm, term time only. Please book well in advance to guarantee your space. Snacks are provided daily, including a fruit & vegetable platter, sandwiches, wraps & soups. Milk and water are also provided. Activities available to the children include Lego, sip & paint, music & dance, board games, arts & crafts, outdoor play (with footballs, basketballs & tennis balls available), cards, Play Dough, puzzles and homework! Children's ideas are also encouraged & welcomed.

An approximate schedule is: 3:30pm-4:15pm food/snacks, 4:15pm-5:00pm outdoor play, 5:00pm-5:45pm activities, 5:45pm-6:00pm tidy up, 6:00pm reflect on the day's events.

Collection

Drop-off and pick-up for Nursery children will be from the Nursery entrance only -- you will need to call (number to follow) when collecting your child.

Randall Place -- Staff can be reached on 07593 623534
between 3:15pm and 6:15pm.

Royal Hill -- Staff can be reached on 07845 529485 between 3:15pm and 6:15pm.

Contact

Email: club.holiday@breeslittlestars.co.uk
Office phone: 07961 713476 from 9:00am to 6:15pm

Booking Guidance

If you would like your child/ren to attend, you will need to complete a registration form for each child on the Cheqdin system. Once you have done this, you will be able to make bookings and payments online. Please use the links below to register and make your booking. Availability is determined on the day of booking, as this changes daily.

Registration form: <https://cheqdin.com/app/portal/public/registrations/bree-s-little-stars-james-wolfe/MjU0OQ%3D%3D?fid=MTU2OA%3D%3D&time=1670510221>

Booking: <https://cheqdin.com/app/portal/public/online-booking/Bree%E2%80%99s%20Little%20Stars%20James%20Wolfe/MjU0OQ==>

You will need to agree to their terms and conditions when completing the registration form.

Please do not hesitate to contact them, should you have any queries or need help with the booking system. They look forward to receiving your bookings.

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 2023

Thursday 7th & Friday 8th September -- Nursery 'Meet the Teacher' Sessions
Friday 8th September -- FJWS Used Uniform Sale
Wednesday 13th September -- Meet the Teacher Sessions
Monday 25th September -- Year 5 Earth Trip to the London Eye
Monday 25th September to Friday 6th October -- Year 5 Jupiter Intensive Swimming
Monday 25th September -- After-School Activities Start
Monday 2nd October -- Year 5 Neptune & Mars Trip to the London Eye

TERM DATES 2023 2024



School Term and Holiday Dates 2023 2024

Autumn 2023

Autumn 1

Monday 4th September to Friday 20th October
INSET DAYS (pupils do not attend): Monday 4th September and Tuesday 5th September

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Wednesday 6th September

Half term holiday

Monday 23rd October to Friday 27th October

Autumn 2

Monday 30th October to Thursday 21st December

INSET DAY (pupils do not attend): Monday 30th October

Christmas holiday

Friday 22nd December to Friday 5th January

Spring 2024

Spring 1

Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February
INSET DAY (pupils do not attend): Monday 8th January

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Tuesday 9th January

Half term holiday

Monday 12th February to Friday 16th February

Spring 2

Monday 19th February to Thursday 28th March

Easter holiday

Friday 29th March to Friday 12th April

Summer 2024

Summer 1

Monday 15th April to Friday 24th May

PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL

Monday 15th April

Bank holiday: Monday 6th May

Half term holiday

Monday 27th May to Friday 31st May

Summer 2

Monday 3rd June to Friday 24th July

INSET DAY (pupils do not attend): Friday 28th June

Summer holiday

Thursday 25th July to Friday 30th August

Breakfast Club

BREAKFAST CLUB

The booking letter for Breakfast Club was sent out to parents last term and can be read at <https://tinyurl.com/yc46t4w2>. Booking is open.

Places at Breakfast Club (both campuses) must be booked in advance. If parents find they are unable to book, for example there are no spaces, they must email admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk to ask if there are any spaces available. **Please can parents note that they must book for their child to attend.**

The price of our Breakfast Club provision has now increased to £3.50 per day.

The start and finish times of Breakfast Club are: Randall Place 8am to 9am and Royal Hill 7.45am to 8.45am. Children may arrive any time up to 15 minutes before the end.



Dear Parent/Guardian,

From the new Autumn term, commencing September 2023, all children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 living in Greater London will be offered Free School Meals.



In response to the rising cost of living, the Mayor of London has made a commitment that every primary school child is entitled to a Free School Meal. This important step extends the existing Free School Meal provision – currently available to children in reception, and years 1 and 2 – to all primary school children in Greater London.

Chartwells Schools – as your catering partner – design nutritious seasonal menus, lovingly created by our team of talented chefs and dedicated nutritionists, who make sure the menus are packed with all the ingredients children need to grow strong and healthy.

Every day there is a choice of two hot main courses, jacket potatoes, pasta or a packed lunch. The meals are nutritionally balanced and feature familiar favourites as well as exciting new flavours, to encourage children to try something different.



We also cater for children with allergies and intolerances, so they can feel safe and included with their friends whilst eating school meals. If your child has a dietary requirement, please read the attached letter from the Chartwells Medical Diet Team to ensure we can cater for all children from September. Please provide all information as soon as possible, and before 21st July 2023, to allow the Medical Diets team enough time to develop an appropriate menu for your child/children. Please visit your school's website for any further information on how to order meals in advance.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS AN ALLERGY OR SPECIAL DIET?
Our primary objective is to keep our pupils safe every day when enjoying their school meals. We take allergies very seriously and, supported by our robust Medical Diet Policy, we take every step to ensure that as many children as possible enjoy their school meals safely. Allergies and intolerances can put safety at school with their friends. To find out more please email: chartwells.medicaldiets@compson-group.co.uk

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN A SCHOOL MEAL?
Every day you can be assured that a school meal will offer:
- At least two portions of fruit and vegetables
- Dairy food items rich in calcium for strong bones and teeth
- Quality carbohydrates to provide energy
- A protein source to support the body's growth and repair.

HOW DO I ORDER AND PAY FOR SCHOOL MEALS?
All children in our school are entitled to a delicious hot meal or packed lunch for free. Many schools provide an online portal that allows you to order your child's meals.

CAN A PACKED LUNCH BE PROVIDED INSTEAD OF A HOT MEAL?
Absolutely! Our packed lunches are made fresh each day and are designed to be both tasty and nutritious, ensuring that children enjoy a balanced and satisfying meal.

Our menus are packed with familiar favourites such as cheese & tomato pizza, roast dinners and hearty pies.

LOVE SCHOOL MEALS

NUTRITIOUS FOOD AND MEMORABLE EXPERIENCES

MAKING HEALTHY CHOICES

AT CHARTWELLS, WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT ENCOURAGING AND ENABLING MORE CHILDREN TO MAKE HEALTHY CHOICES AND ENJOY A NUTRITIOUS SCHOOL MEAL TO GET THE MOST OUT OF THEIR DAY.

Chartwells school meals have been lovingly created by a team of talented chefs and dedicated nutritionists making sure menus are packed with all the ingredients children need to grow strong and healthy.

Making a home-packed lunch for your child each day can be time-consuming and expensive. School meals can relieve some of this pressure by providing a hot, nutritious lunch for your child, every school day.

THE BENEFITS OF SCHOOL MEALS

MAKING CHILDREN HEALTHIER Children having school meals are more likely to eat fruit and vegetables and drink water throughout the day.	BEHAVIOUR & CONCENTRATION A healthy school meal helps children get the best from their learning.
THEY ARE FREE FOR ALL CHILDREN FROM RECEPTION TO YEAR 6 Speak to your school about signing your child up today!	
TASTY THEME DAYS Throughout the term, your child will get to experience delicious theme days where we bring excitement to the dining hall with new and inspiring choices such as our Space Adventure or Mid Summer Mashup.	MAKING FOOD FUN We want your children to have fun and the dining hall is a great place for them to enjoy themselves with friends whilst they learn about different types of food.
WE EDUCATE AND INSPIRE CHILDREN WITH OUR BEYOND THE CHARTWELLS' KITCHEN WORKSHOPS	

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