

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.

Thursday 21st September 2023



Dear Parents,



The weeks seem to be flying by in school! Our Year 4s are now fully settled into life at Royal Hill and it has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm for their learning -- they are able to talk about what they have learned already this term and are confidently talking to both familiar and unfamiliar staff members. Well done Year 4!

I would also like to congratulate our younger children - Nursery, Reception and Year 1 - who have managed their transitions brilliantly and are enjoying life at Randall Place. I look forward to hearing about their learning as the weeks go by.

Next week is our annual residential trip for Year 6. This year we are going to Grosvenor Hall in Kent. Miss Bedding and I were lucky enough to visit in the Summer and see what is on offer for our children next week. I am sure that the children -- and staff -- will have a fabulous few days and will represent our school brilliantly. In assembly last week, I talked to Year 6 about how we can take risks and **persevere** in our learning -- I hope that we will see them do just that next week. Keep an eye on our Instagram for updates on all the fun they are having! I'll end with a quote from Michael Jordan that I shared with Year 6 last week:

"I have missed over 9,000 shots in my career. I have lost almost 300 games. On 26 occasions I have been entrusted to take the game winning shot, and I have missed. I have failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed."

Perhaps you would like to share with your child a time when you showed **perseverance**?

I wish you a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,
Mrs Simpson

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YEAR 1 GOOGLE CLASSROOM

Mr Chaplin will be holding a Google Classroom drop-in session on Tuesday 26th September, from 3:45pm to 4:15pm, in the 1S classroom for any Year 1 parents to attend should they wish to know more about how to use Google Classroom.



PARENT REPS

A Parent Representative represents all of the parents within their class, as well as supporting the Friends of James Wolfe. The role will involve supporting teaching with fundraising, helping with FJWS and sharing the views and questions of the whole class, making it much easier to answer questions and queries and take on board suggestions.

We are looking for at least two Parent Reps per year group. If you would like to be a Parent Rep, please come along to our meeting or email admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk.

We will have our first meeting tomorrow, Friday 22nd September, at 9:15am in the Hall at Randall Place.



MEET THE TEACHER

Last week, we had our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions for Years 1-6, where teachers were able to share key information with you all. We hope that you found these meetings useful and that you enjoyed meeting the teacher and seeing your child's classroom. For those of you unable to attend, the slides are available on our website at <https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/meet-the-teacher>.



THE ARTS SOCIETY GREENWICH

The Arts Society Greenwich are a group of local people who appreciate a wide range of decorative and fine arts subjects, and meet on the second Monday of the month in the Hall at Royal Hill. They are part of a national organisation (The Arts Society), which ensures the high quality of lectures they have. Their next lecture – *Art of the Atacama Desert, mummies, llama herds and the world's tallest giant* - is on Monday 9th October at 7:30pm. You can see their full programme of lectures at <http://www.theartsocietygreenwich.org.uk> -- they are always pleased to welcome guests to their lectures at a charge of £10, although a first visit is a taster and is free -- no need to book, they will make you most welcome!



PLACE2BE UPDATE

As of this week, our school has a new Place2Be Project Manager, Jennifer Mason, who would like to remind you of how Place2Be continues to support the children, parents and staff of James Wolfe Primary School.

Services that Place2Be offers:

Place2Talk is our lunchtime confidential drop-in service, where children can refer themselves and request a time to talk through anything that is troubling them. Children continue to use this service regularly and it enables them to manage their emotions and help them develop strategies for dealing with tricky situations.

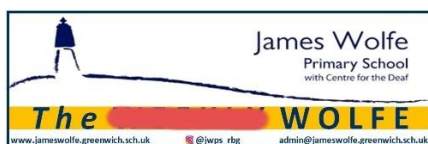
Place2Think offers staff a space to explore how best to support children in the classroom.

Place2Be One to One Counselling provides more intensive one to one sessions for those children who require individual support.

In addition to this, Place2Be have launched **Parenting Smart**, a website which offers free practical advice on a range of topics, including bullying, the transition to secondary/high school, meltdowns and sleep difficulties. Visit <http://parentingsmart.org.uk> to read more.

Also, Place2Be's **Parenting Smart - Online Course** is a free, six-week course designed to support parents and carers of primary-age children in their parenting journey. Visit <http://place2be.org.uk/family> to learn more about these free resources from Place2Be.

If you would like more information about any of the services Place2Be provides, or just an informal chat, please feel free to get in touch.



CHANGES TO THE WEEKLY WOLFE

We will soon be making some changes to the Weekly Wolfe, with the last weekly issue on 12th October. The first of the new design will then come out the next week, 19th October, with subsequent issues following **monthly**. We will be including more celebratory material in individual sections for each year group, as well as future events and other items. If you have any ideas for our revamp, please email us at admin@jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk.

Additionally, we have been informed by our data protection advisors that the newsletter does not fall within GDPR and so we will be sending it out to all parents automatically via Pupil Asset, rather than using the mailing list we asked you to sign up to in the past. An email was sent out about this yesterday (Wednesday), which all parents should have received.

We hope the changes will meet with your approval.



DOGS

Please note that, although we have introduced a school dog into school, dogs are not allowed on the school premises or to be tied up by the gate. The school dog has had training and a risk assessment completed. It is so lovely to see our families walking to school. It supports children's wellbeing and helps them get some light exercise before they start school. As a result, we have noticed more families are walking their dogs and some have been bringing them into school. Please remember that not all children are comfortable with dogs and you are not allowed bring them onto school premises or tie them to the fence outside.

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



If you would like to get involved with the FJWS, to help with events, planning or with any fundraising ideas, then please email us -- you can contact us at the address below.

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>

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 2023

Monday 25th September to Wednesday 27th September -- Year 6 School Journey
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
Tuesday 26th September -- Yr 1 Google Classroom Drop-In Session (1S, 3:45pm)
Sunday 1st October to Tuesday 31st October -- Black History Month
Monday 2nd October to Friday 6th October -- Poetry Reciting Week
Monday 2nd October -- Year 5 Neptune & Mars Trip to the London Eye
Monday 2nd October -- Year 4 Sun Trip to Creekside Discovery Centre
Tuesday 3rd October -- Year 4 Pluto Trip to Creekside Discovery Centre
Monday 9th October -- Year 5 Jupiter Trip to the London Eye
Wednesday 11th October to Thursday 12th October -- Reception Parents' Evenings

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

THIS HARVEST WE'LL BE COLLECTING TINNED & PACKAGED FOOD AT YOUR SCHOOL TO HELP THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

YOU CAN DONATE:

- BISCUITS
- CEREALS
- DRIED PASTA
- COOKING OIL
- LONG LIFE MILK
- TINNED FRUIT
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- INSTANT COFFEE
- TINNED MEAT & FISH
- BOTTLES OF SQUASH
- TOILETRIES
- VEGETARIAN OPTIONS
- LONG-LIFE FRUIT JUICE
- PASTA SAUCE

NO FRESH OR CHILLED ITEMS PACKET & TINNED ITEMS ONLY PLEASE #THANKYOU

SCAN THE QR CODE & DOWNLOAD THE BANK THE FOOD APP TO STAY UP TO DATE WITH OUR FOOD DONATION NEEDS

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Get Active Kids HOLIDAY CLUB

Ages 4-11

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Crossfield St, Deptford, SE8 3PH

October Half - Term
23rd October - 27 October

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AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

The letter regarding this term's after-school activities, with details of how to set up your account and book, as well as the rotas for each campus, were emailed to parents last Wednesday and can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/3z96xx4c>.

Activities will commence the week of Monday 25th September and will run for ten weeks, ending on Thursday 7th December 2023. **Bookings are open.** Activities have a limited availability, with prices from £5.00 to £9.00 per session. **Places are booked on a first-come, first served basis.** Parents of children eligible for the benefit Free School Meals, who are entitled to one free activity, should contact the school office after setting up their account.



FRENCH LEARNING AT HOME

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

Username: **jwrandall** Password: **love4langs**

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, other languages are available too!



PROMPT ARRIVAL

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



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.



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 & hydrocarbons, which are linked to asthma/other diseases.

Local authorities have the power to issue £20 fixed penalties for emission offences and stationary idling under The Road Traffic Regulations 2002.



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