



YEAR FIVE WEEKLY NEWS

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Dear Parents and Year 5 children,

It is that time of the year again. Everyone is incredibly busy at school with Art Festival preparations, meetings, reports, mini-inspections, parties but we are all having a great time as we count down to the festive season.

Reports will go out next Wednesday 17th December. If you feel you would like to discuss this with your teacher, feel free to contact them for a meeting at the beginning of Term 2.

I sincerely hope that every child in Year 5 will have the chance to attend camp next March. It is a very worthwhile experience for children and it is so rewarding for teachers to spend time with the children in an informal way. **Please return the three forms altogether in an envelope to your child's teacher as soon as possible.**

Homework is an important aspect of the school week and I would encourage parents to allow children to complete their work independently but to always be there to lend support and check their work. **The last piece of homework this term is optional.**

Thank you

P.E. KITS

As always, please ensure your child always has a PE kit and swimming kit at school (even when they are not timetabled for P.E.).

IMPORTANT DATES/EVENTS

Reports

Interim reports will go home on Thursday 17th December



Party Day and Santa Visit

Thursday 18th December

Term 2 Camp

Camp letters and information has now been distributed.

<http://vimeo.com/88846510>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hNakB43b4kU&feature=youtu.be>

Class Assemblies

Leia Bremmer 5E (Monday 15th December 8.00 a.m. in Music Room)

ASAs – finished for Term 1 (information on Term 2s ASAs to follow)

ENGLISH OBJECTIVES for Week Beginning November 30th (Weeks 14 to 16)

GUIDE

FOCUS: Write a non-chronological report on living on Mars.

GVP FOCUS:

- Using a colon to introduce a list
- Punctuating bullet points consistently

MATHS OBJECTIVES: TERM 1:2

Measurement (now completed)

- measure and calculate the perimeter of composite rectilinear shapes in centimetres and metres
- calculate and compare the area of rectangles (including squares), and including using standard units, square centimetres (cm²) and square metres (m²) and estimate the area of irregular shapes

Geometry (completed)

- identify 3-D shapes, including cubes and other cuboids, from 2-D representations
- distinguish between regular and irregular polygons based on reasoning about equal sides and angles.
- identify, describe and represent the position of a shape following a reflection or translation, using the appropriate language, and know that the shape has not changed.

Revision/Assessments (final 2 weeks of term to focus on revision and assessments)



SOME WEBSITES FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILDREN TO LOOK AT:

- <http://www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/index.html>
- <http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/ks2bitesize/science/materials/>
- <http://www.mymaths.co.uk/>

RECOMMENDED READING BOOKS YEAR 5 AND 6

YEAR 5

Water Wings	Morris Gleitzman
Blabbermouth	Morris Gleitzman
Belly Flop	Morris Gleitzman
The Diddakoi	Rumer Godden
Stormbreaker	Anthony Horowitz
Walter and Me	Michael Morpurgo
Friend or Foe	Michael Morpurgo
Mister Monday	Garth Nix
Aquila	Andrew Norris
Harry and the Wrinklies	Alan Temperley
The Story of Tracy Beaker	Jacqueline Wilson
Double Act	Jacqueline Wilson
Northern Lights	Philip Pullman
A Christmas Carol	Charles Dickens
Dragon Rider	Cornelia Funke
Journey To Jo'burg	Beverly Naidoo
Journey to the River Sea	Eva Ibbotson
The Owl Service	Alan Garner
Pig Heart Boy	Malorie Blackman
Tom's Midnight Garden	Philippa Pearce
Watership Down	Richard Adams
The Wizard of Earthsea	Ursula K Le Guin
Wolves of Willoughby Chase	Joan Aiken
Where the Red Fern Grows	Wilson Rawls
Little Women	Louisa May Alcott
The Secret Garden	Frances Hodgson-Burnett
Artemis Fowl	Eoin Colfer
The Wind in the Willows	Kenneth Grahame
Anne of Green Gables	L M Montgomery
Black Beauty	Anna Sewell
Holes	Louis Sachar
There's a Boy in the Girls' Bathroom	Louis Sachar
Vicky Angel	Jacqueline Wilson
The Other Side of Truth	Beverly Naidoo
Harry Potter series	J K Rowling

YEAR 6

Carrie's War	Nina Bawden
When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit	Judith Kerr
Forgotten Voices of the Second World War	Max Arthur



The Diamond of Drury Lane	Julia Golding
Framed	Frank Cottrell Boyce
Homecoming	Cynthia Voigt
Noughts and Crosses	Malorie Blackman
Knife Edge	Malorie Blackman
Private Peaceful	Michael Morpurgo
The Secret Diary of Adrian Mole Aged 13 ¾	Sue Townsend
Treasure Island	Robert Louis Stevenson
Mortal Engines	Philip Reeve
Clockwork	Philip Pullman
Dragon Keeper	Carole Wilkinson
The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time	Mark Haddon
Peter Pan	J M Barrie
Wizard of Oz	F Baum
Robinson Crusoe	Daniel Defoe
Oliver Twist	Charles Dickens
Jungle Book	Rudyard Kipling
The Railway Children	E Nesbit
The Borrowers	M Norton
The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn	Mark Twain
Alex Rider series	Anthony Horowitz
My Story series	Various authors
Anne Frank: The Diary of a Young Girl	Ed. Otto H Frank
Boy Overboard	Morris Gleitzman
Sabriel	Garth Nix

Laptops and Devices: BYOD

Thank you to all those parents who have provided their children with devices to assist in their learning. The children are using a range of devices which are all suitable but the laptops are probably the best as they allow the children to use a variety of presentation programs.

Responding to parent emails

When contacting your child's class teacher please expect a response within 24 working hours. If your child has an emergency appointment during the school day or a change of pick up arrangements please inform **info_jps** rather than the class teacher. The admin staff will then inform the class teacher as to the relevant changes.

As you will appreciate a teachers day is a very busy one, teaching, marking and preparing for lessons, so any contact with parents is likely to be either before or after the school day. The children are our priority!

If you wish to contact your class teacher for a particular reason please ensure this is done so within the working week. Any emails received after 2:30pm on a Thursday afternoon or over the weekend will be responded to by the close of day on Sunday.



SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

Foundation Stage:

Uniform listed below except boys and girls wear JPS polo shirts and no ties.

Boys: Years 1 to 6

JPS shorts

White short sleeve shirt (JPS logo on pocket)

Short blue socks

Black shoes (trainers not acceptable)

Navy blue pullover + JPS logo

JPS blue tie

Girls: Years 1 to 6

White JPS blouse

JPS pinafore dress

Short white socks – these should be **plain white**

Navy blue tights

Black shoes (no heels. Trainers are not acceptable)

Navy blue cardigan + JPS logo

No nail varnish

No make-up

No jewellery, except for a small pair of stud earrings.

EARLY PICK OF CHILDREN

I wanted to pass this information on to you regarding a new policy in JPS for 'Early Pick Up'. Due to an increase to the number of children leaving school before the end of the school day, our Senior Leadership Team are will now be the only members of staff within JPS who can authorise permission to leave school early. This policy took effect on 25th September 2014 as highlighted in the school newsletter. Therefore, I or any teacher in Year 5, is unable to grant permission for your request. The procedure at JPS requires parents/careers to complete a 'Leave within the school day' requests form (attached). This is also found on the home page of www.jumeirahprimary.weebly.com.

This form needs to be completed and signed by a member of the Senior Leadership Team at least **24 hours ahead** of the early collection. The form must be accompanied by the appointment notification with the specialist. Doctors and Dentists who operate outside of school hours do not qualify as a reason to leave school. An emergency by its very nature will be the only exception to this rule.

Please note that children will not be sent down to reception until parents have arrived; this is in order to avoid situations which have recently occurred in which children have become upset whilst waiting for a parent at reception. This might mean you will need to plan an extra few minutes into your schedule on these occasions.

If you have any further queries please email our Assistant Head, Rachel Higgins
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Many thanks and wishing you all a fabulous festive season



Pete Campion and the Year 5 Team

