

Summer 1 2024 Newsletter















Congratulations to all children who participated in the recent SATs. There has been a lot of hard work that has gone in to preparing the children for this activity and making sure that the children have high confidence and self-esteem. Thank you everyone.

Well done to all our children for their resilience and hard work.





Memory Café

The Honey Potters have recently been to visit the members of the Memory Café. Enjoying the chat and biscuits, I'm not sure who enjoys this afternoon the most. Whilst the children play games, Beestonians are able to tell stories of their past and share their wisdom with the children. Dementia is well supported by Beeston and we are proud to play our part.

Thank you for joining us for Reading Mornings. Your support is much appreciated.

The Hive is Thriving

It has been a joy to set up the first primary enhanced provision unit in Nottinghamshire. Now that we have had a SEND Review and a visit from Peter Higgins, NottsCC Education Improvement Advisor (SEND), we have a real measure of the success and next steps for the provision.





Cooking in the Curriculum

It's been a busy time in the Community Room. Mrs Radley, JCS' Mary B, has been making pizza, bread and sushi with children across school. The sushi was linked to Year 5's Kensuke's Kingdom. Thank you, Mrs Radley, you bring the curriculum to life in so many ways.

Good Autism Practice training has been delivered at JCS for all Teaching Assistants within our Family of Schools. Thank you to the team at JCS and Lindsey Beach for providing this training for so many professionals.

Thank you to all parents who attended the <u>Safeguarding</u> <u>Meeting</u> about safety online. There will be further meetings and support for this ongoing threat to children.

Health and Safety

Hover boards and electric scooters are not permitted inside the school building. These are unregistered and untested electrical devices and potentiality put the children and staff at risk of harm. In schools we have to take things to an extreme to mitigate risk:

E-scooter bursting into flames in a London home caught on video - BBC News

Here are the reasons why so many hoverboards are catching fire - CNET

Thank you!!

World Culture and Language Day

The front cover of this newsletter celebrates our culture day. Thank you to all our lovely parents and carers and beautiful children for coming in and sharing their culture and language. You have made today so special.









Staff News

Jean Pearson leaves us today as MDSA of 18 years. Thank you Jean for all of your hard work at JCS. We wish you all the very best in the future.

Unfortunately, Mr Morris and Miss Crook leave us at the end of the summer term. They too will be sadly missed but we still have next ½ term to enjoy their company and their brilliance.

Who are the Friends of John Clifford?

We are a group of John Clifford parents, carers and staff who work together for two main purposes:

- to organise fundraising events to raise money for equipment and activities which will enrich the school experience for all John Clifford children from nursery through to Year 6;
- 2) to encourage a sense of community within the school by organising events where families can come together and get to know each other.

We urgently need more committee members to help us organise events and shape the way that we spend the fund we raise. This would involve attending the monthly meetings and help to run our events. We understand that everyone has busy lives and so we don't expect everyone to be able to attend every meeting – don't let that put you off!

You can join in at any time of the year and no matter which school year your child/children are in. From nursery to year 6, all parents and carers are welcome!

Friends of John Clifford

The Friends of John Clifford School are producing a Recipe Book. The letter that has gone out to parents and carers asks for recipes to be sent to contribute to our cultural cookbook. The children have been asked to design a front cover for this book and we hope that has many people as possible get on board with this fundraising event. Thank you for sending in your recipes and for encouraging the children to provide the much needed art work.