NEWSLETTER 9th January 2023



Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year, it was wonderful to welcome back the children after the Christmas holiday. We hope you all had a fantastic break.

Welcome to the next edition of our school newsletter, we hope you are finding them useful.

Please keep an eye on the school website (www.jessons-school.org.uk) for upcoming dates to add to your diary.

Energy Drinks

Could we please remind you that energy drinks of any kind are not allowed in school.

Water is the best option for children to keep hydrated and the preferred option in school.

Some energy drinks are high in both sugar and caffeine and are not safe for children to drink. Checking the nutrition labels on soft drinks such as fruit juices and fizzy drinks can help you make healthier choices.

Water is a healthy and cheap choice for quenching your thirst at any time. It has no calories and contains no sugars that can damage teeth.



PARKING

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We have received numerous complaints from local residents and concerned parents about the inconsiderate parking around the school (i.e. parking on pavements, blocking school gates, blocking residents' driveways etc.).



When dropping off your children at school, please consider how and where you park to minimise disruption and to ensure the safety of our pupils and their families.



Number Day 2023 is being celebrated on February 3rd this year and we are taking part again. Each year, the activities have developed nicely and I've seen lots of children having fun and exploring maths actively.

This year will be the same but we will focus on money and measures (main focus to be money).

As usual, we will be asking the children to dress up in something to do with Maths.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 13th January 9:15am—1J class assembly

Tuesday 17th January—Flu vaccination catch-up session

Friday 20th January 9:15am—1KC class assembly

PUNCTUALITY

Please note, all gates are closed promptly at 8:55am. Gates cannot be kept open after 8.55am as staff have other responsibilities after this time. If you arrive late, you will need to take your child to the main school office.

After this time, children are marked as late in the school registers. Under the new DfE guidance for schools, parents can and will be fined for persistent late arrival at school. On one occasion in the last half-term, there were over **70 pupils who arrived late** to school on the same day.

Being late for school can unsettle children and mean they struggle to fully engage with the lessons during the day.

Please note: -

If you are late collecting your children at the end of the day, they will be taken to After School Club and there will be a charge. If you know you are going to be late collecting your child, please contact the school office as soon as possible on

Suitable Clothing

As you are aware, the weather conditions at the moment are very unpredictable. Wherever possible, we try to allow the children time to get some fresh air during their break times, so that they are not stuck inside all day. We will always take the weather conditions into account, however it can mean the children will go outside when the ground is wet. Children are always encouraged to wear coats etc in cold or wet conditions.



Can you please ensure that your child/children come to school wearing the appropriate footwear and other clothing for the weather conditions, just in case they are outside and it is wet. Thank you.