



Jordans School

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Dear Parents,

Sports Day was a great success again this year, the children were super stars! They all chose their events to compete in and yesterday received their well done sticker for taking part. Well done to our blue team who were awarded the trophy this year. Special thanks go to Coach Sean, the Year 6 Sports Leaders from Chalfont St Peter Academy and all the staff for helping to make the afternoon run so smoothly. Thank you to all of you too for supporting the children.

This morning after our topic finale I outlined the attainment information that you will receive next Friday for your child. My presentation will be posted on the school website and a short letter of explanation will accompany the information. You will then have the opportunity to discuss the attainment information at the Parents Evenings.

I also briefly outlined the school's position during this time of a funding crisis in UK schools. The highlights without being political are as follows:

- By 2022 93% of schools will have a per pupil funding cut. The cut to Jordans School is projected to be £17,737. This equates to an 8-10% cut. The reality is that we also have to take on ever more expenditure – pension and NI increases, apprenticeship levies, site costs *and* costs associated with other services such as social care, mental health and school improvement services that are also under severe budgetary pressure. This will have a profound impact on our school.
- We appreciate that education cannot be immune from the economic realities faced across the public sector and it is right that we should find more efficient ways of operating; we must spend money from the public purse wisely.
- So what can we do? The Governors and I continue to run the school as efficiently as possible and we will do our absolute best to protect our children from the harsh realities of the funding landscape. We continue to be very thankful for all of the fundraising efforts made by you as parents, these are invaluable. We will have to pass on costs to parents such as for trips that were previously funded or partly funded by the school. Requests will be made for families to support our general curriculum needs i.e. providing glue sticks, craft items, tissues etc. I thank you in advance for your support.

Teaching teams for September 2017

Tuesday is our new class induction day, all the children will go to their new class and spend the morning with their new teachers. I am pleased to announce the teaching teams as follows:

Year R	Mrs Turkington
Year 1	Mrs Taaffe (Monday – Wednesday) Mrs Banks (Thursday and Friday)
Year 2	Mrs Stephenson (Monday – Thursday) Mrs Silverman (Friday)
PPA cover	Mrs Taylor
(Each teacher is required to have 'non-contact time out of the classroom to complete Planning, Preparation and Assessment work)	

Parent Questionnaire

Please find our annual parent questionnaire attached to this newsletter email. We would be very grateful if you could spend some time completing it and return to the office, they are anonymous! We would ask that comments made are constructive. Thank you.

JSA Fun Run - Sunday 2nd July 2pm

We are looking forward to this fun event on Sunday. Registration opens from 1.30pm, see you there!

Dropmore Country Dancing Year 1 & 2

Thank you to those of you who have given permission via ParentMail for next week's Country Dancing Festival at Dropmore School for Year 1 and 2. If you haven't already done so, could you please give permission and make a voluntary contribution on ParentMail. If you are experiencing any issues, please speak to the Office.

Little Green Fingers Club – Saturday 8th July 2-4pm – CHANGE OF DATE

The work LGFC has done around school already is fabulous! Thank you to those that have attended the club and enjoyed some gardening. Please note the change of date for the final session.

Flu forms

Your child came home with a letter and permission form regarding next autumn's flu vaccination programme. This is on behalf of Buckinghamshire Healthcare. If you haven't already done so, could you please complete and sign the form (even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccination) by Friday, 7th July.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Bancroft
Headteacher



Next Week's Learning

Year R

Literacy - Our new book for next week will be Tiddler by Julia Donaldson, this is the start of our next literary adventure.

Maths - We will be ordering objects by size.

Requests - This week will be the start of our ocean adventures!

Year 1

Literacy - Our focus will be Poetry! We will be using our experience of the seaside today to write our own poems!

Maths - Our focus next week will be Statistics. We will be sorting objects, creating tally charts and pictograms and interpreting the data.

Year 2

Next week we will be continuing making and advertising our brilliant, giant toys! In maths we will be doing lots of times tables practice as well as solving a number of word problems.

We now have plenty of boxes - thank you all very much for the great donations.