

# Newsletter

Friday 7th July 2023



# Year 5 Open House



On Tuesday, our Year five pupils were able to share their learning with family and friends. The adults were able to sample maths, writing and English books before watching a video of the children's journey since last September. The session started with the current Y5 Steel Orchestra treating the parents and carers to a selection of songs they have been working on this year. We would like to thank all of you who were able to come along and offer your support.





# Life's a Beach!



# Pans at the Palace

The Y6 Steel Orchestra dazzled and entertained an excited crowd at the Crystal Palace Schools Concert on Wednesday evening. Their musicianship, teamwork and eclectic repertoire went down a storm leading to a raucous crowd demanding an encore at the end of their performance. We would like to thank all of the teachers who gave up their time to make this possible and 'big up' all the JD Community who 'brought the noise.'



# Preschool at the Park

On Friday, the morning and full time children visited Crystal Palace Park. It was a lovely sunny morning and the children enjoyed looking at the ducks, ducklings and dinosaurs. Then they went to the swings and sand pit before having a drink and biscuit in the shade. A great time was had by all.



# THE GREAT JAMES DIXON

## Book Swap 2023

Calling all book lovers!

Do you have books you have read, loved and would like to pass on to someone else to enjoy?

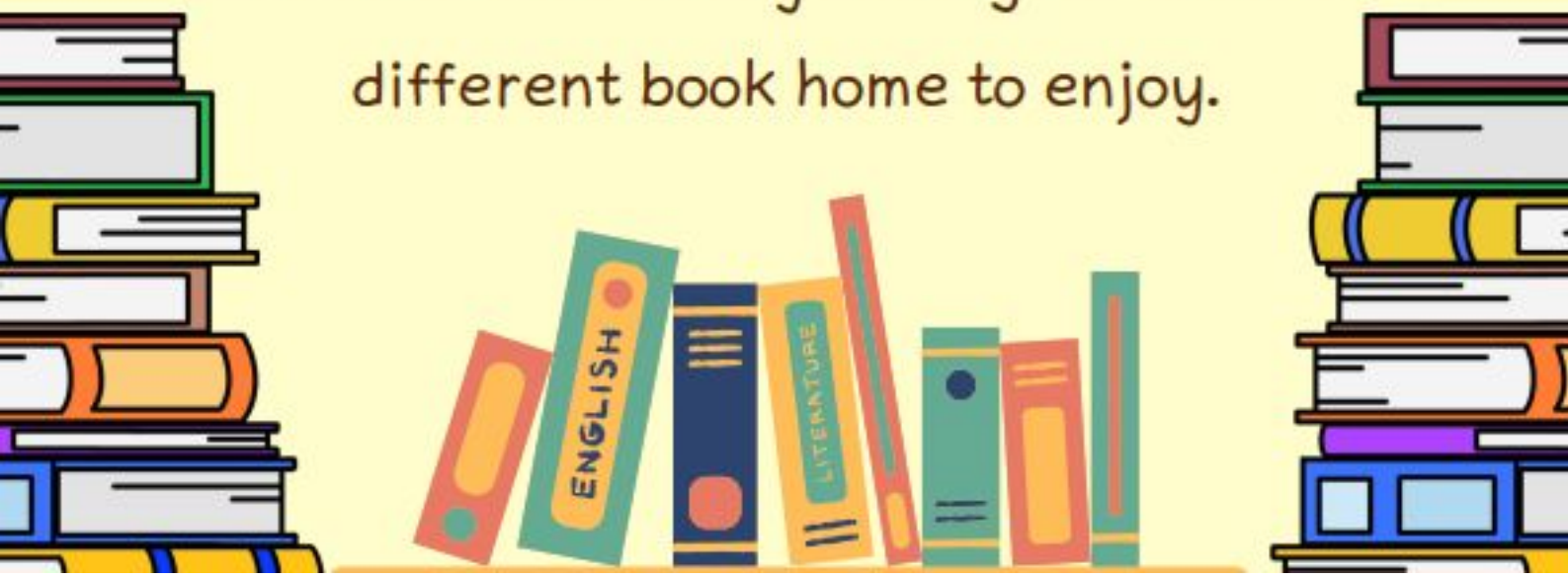
We are on the hunt for children's books in good condition for our Book Swap stall at Picnic and

Proms on Friday 14th July.

Children can bring their pre-loved books to donate into school until Wednesday 12 July.

There is no limit to the amount of books they can donate - the more the merrier.

Our aim is that every child gets to take a different book home to enjoy.



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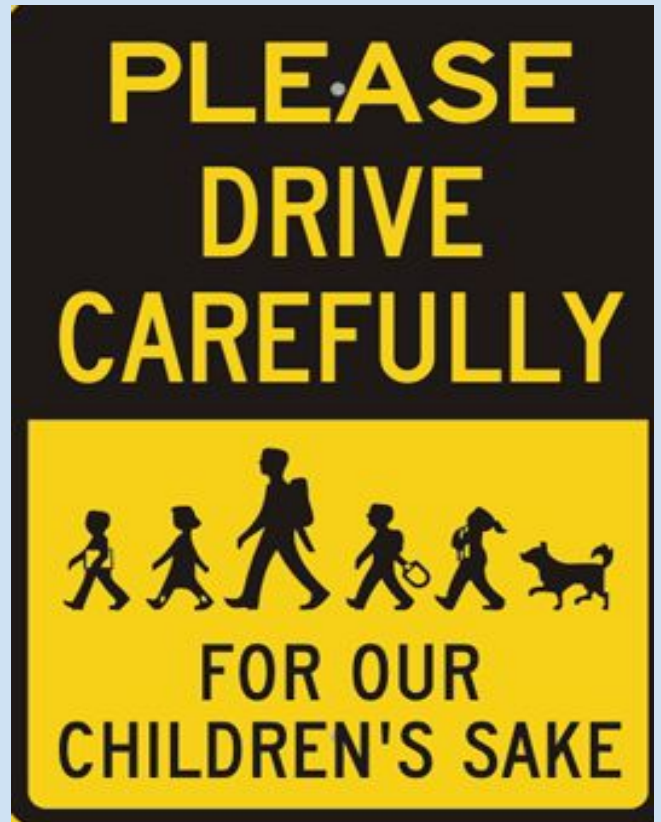
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# PICNIC & PROMS

Friday 14th July, 3pm - 5pm on our school field  
Bring a picnic blanket, relax and enjoy family fun,  
ice cream and performances

# Road Safety

There have been several incidents of dangerous driving recently especially on the bend outside the school. Please ensure you are driving slowly and carefully when picking up and dropping off children. Please do not mount kerbs to park as it is dangerous for our children who are walking to and from school. Please drive as if every child on the street were your own.



## Term Dates 2023-2024

	SUMMER 2023	AUTUMN 2023	SPRING 2024
<b>Term Starts</b>	Monday 17th April	Thursday 31st August	Wednesday 3rd January
<b>Half Term</b>	Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June	Monday 16th October - Friday 27th October	Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February
<b>Term Finishes</b>	Wednesday 19th July, 2pm	Tuesday 19th December, 2pm	Friday 29th March, 2pm



# James Dixon PTA



## What is a Jolly Jar?

Jolly Jars are medium and large jam jars, with lids, that parents and carers fill up at home with fun treats for children and donate to the PTA for Picnic & Proms.

These might include wrapped sweets (no nuts), unused small toys, stickers, hair clips, stationery, keyrings, stamps and more. They can be decorated with stickers, ribbons, drawings, but don't have to be.



Here are the contents of a Jolly Jar, some small toys, stickers, sweets, a stamp, and a puzzle book, next to the empty, clean jam jar.

And here is the finished item, a Jolly Jar ready to donate to the School Office.



At Picnic & Proms we will have a stall where children pay £1+ to pull a ticket out of a box. They then match their ticket to a Jolly Jar and enjoy the treats.



Contents do not need to be new but must be unused. There are lots of great items in the £1 shops of Crystal Palace and Penge.

# Weekly Attendance

**95%**

*Be here every day,  
all day!*

Year Group	Attendance
Reception	94%
Year 1	95%
Year 2	95%
Year 3	96%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	98%
Year 6	95%

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# Dates for your diary

<b>Monday 10th July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Preschool to Crystal Palace Park</b></li><li>● <b>Football Club 3.00 pm</b></li><li>● <b>Drama Club YR 1-3 3.00 pm</b></li><li>● <b>Drumming Club Performance 3.00 pm</b></li></ul>
<b>Tuesday 11th July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Drama Club YR4-6 3.00 pm</b></li></ul>
<b>Wednesday 12th July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Gymnastics Club 7.30 am</b></li><li>● <b>Gymnastics Club 3.00 pm</b></li></ul>
<b>Thursday 13th July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>YR4 to Horniman Museum</b></li><li>● <b>Taekwondo Club 3.00 pm</b></li><li>● <b>YR5-6 Production 5.30 pm</b></li></ul>
<b>Friday 14th July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● <b>Dance Club 7.50 am</b></li><li>● <b>Dance Club Performance 8.15 am</b></li><li>● <b>Picnic &amp; Proms 3.00 pm</b></li></ul>