

This new school year has started extremely well with us, as a school, welcoming new families to our school family. We now have 147 pupils here at JMPS - it is wonderful to continue to see our school being the choice of many in the community, year in, year out, and we are delighted that so many local families have chosen JMPS for their children to start and/or continue their educational journey.

We are also delighted to have had the opportunity to open up our Extra Curricular Activities (ECA) programme again this year. On a weekly basis, we now have a wider choice of clubs to be filled - some children taking advantage of more than 1 club. I want to thank the school staff for giving their time after school to provide these wonderful clubs, including, choir, multi sports, chess, scripture union and ICT.

REMINDERS

School doors open at 8:15am for breakfast Club and will close at 9.20am sharp. Children should come to school in correct school uniform each day. Earrings should not be worn to school.

Our daily snack service continues to be a popular choice. This service costs 50p per day and should be paid monthly to your child's class teacher. Please ensure money comes into school in a sealed envelope with your child's name on it. Daily Snack includes: A small piece of fruit and a bread-based snack (eg, pancake, toast, bagel etc) or a Friday treat (chocolate crispie bun etc) delivered to your child's class.

PTA UPDATE

The first meeting of our FOJMPS this year was extremely successful. The next meeting will take place this evening at 7pm in the school staff room. EVERYONE WELCOME. There will be discussion re the forthcoming walk and talk mornings progressing to a 5km on the 16th March. More information to follow BUT if you can help please come along.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE UPDATE

As per the information on a previous newsletter, we will now be using updated Department of Education guidelines when monitoring school attendance using a new TIER system.

The different tiers are outlined below:

TIER 1a Pupils recognised as 'Regular Attendance' missing 0% - 0.49% of school. Roughly less than 1 day per month.

TIER 1b Pupils recognised as 'At Risk Attendance' missing 5% - 9.9% of school. Roughly 1+ day per month.

TIER 2 Pupils recognised as 'Chronic Attendance' missing 10% - 19.9% of school. Roughly 2-3 days per month.

TIER 3 Pupils recognised as 'Severe Chronic Attendance' missing 20% or more of school.

Please ensure that you contact the school office in the morning if your child is not able to attend school. Attendance updates will be issued to parents/guardians for the month of September in due course as we continue to monitor attendance and offer support where needed.



Give your child the best start in life – every school day counts.

National Poetry day

We are looking forward to National Poetry day on Thursday 6th October. This is an annual event that inspires people throughout the UK to enjoy, discover and share poems.

This year in school we plan to mark the occasion with some special poetry activities in our classes.

Why not find one of your favourite poems and share this with your child at home on this important day?

PARENT INTERVIEW WEEK

A look ahead...parent Interview week for children in P1 – P7 will be taking place on the week beginning Monday 10th October. Keep an eye out for parent interview times coming your way.

Congratulations to all our newly elected representatives who were recently presented with their badges at assembly. At JMPS, the children's voice is important to us in our decision making. We value the children's opinions and we encourage them to express their thoughts and feelings on what matters to them. We look forward to working with our student council, eco council and digital leaders in ensuring our school is the best it can be for them.

Upcoming Events in School- Dates for your Diary

3-7 th October	Bike to School Week
4 th October	FOJMPS meeting at 7pm: 5km fundraiser under discussion (All help welcome)
4 th October	Messy Play
6 th October	Enniskillen Library visit – Rec, P1 & P2
6 th October	Primary 4 FLIVE to Holy Trinity P.S.
6 th October	Jelly Tots Mighty Monsters Play date
6 th October	Shared Education Programme to Lakeland Forum – P3 & ASD
7 th October	Best decorated Bike/Scooter Prizes to be won
10 th – 14 th October	Parent Interviews (more information to follow)
12 th October	ETI to visit the school
13 th October	Enniskillen Library visit – Rec, P1 & P2
13 th October	Jelly Tots Incy Wincy Spider Play date
20 th October	Enniskillen Library visit – Rec, P1 & P2
20 th October	Jelly Tots 'Room on the Broom' Play date
22 nd October (Sat)	'The Owl who was Afraid of the Dark' outside trail in aid of NI Hospice
25 th October	Primary 6 Assembly
27 th October	Enniskillen Library visit – Rec, P1 & P2
27 th October	A Daily Dose of Autism (Read information in newsletter) 6.30 – 7.30pm
27 th October	School Pumpkin Disco at 6.30pm, (more information to follow) ASD alternate Disco
28 th October	Ditch the Dark Sustrans walk (more information to follow)
SCHOOL CLOSED	Monday 31 st October – Friday 4 th November 2022
SCHOOL REOPENS	Monday 7 th November 2022

Read carefully upcoming fliers re nurturing November

Monday 31st October- Friday 4th November (inclusive)

School closed for Halloween Holidays School reopens on Monday 7th November 2022

