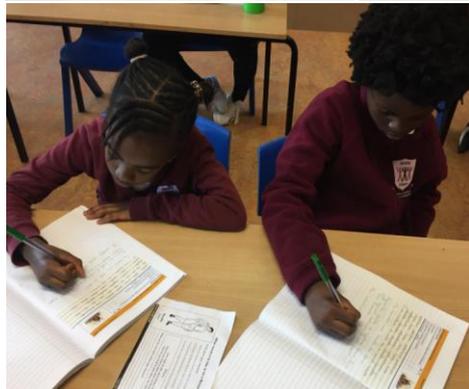


Welcome Back

We hope you had an enjoyable and safe half term. It's great to have all children back in school enjoying school, engaging in their learning and making progress. Although the rest of the nation locks down for a further few weeks, we are very proud to be able to continue to provide education to all our pupils throughout. This newsletter will give you an insight into all the exciting things that have been happening at Jessop over the last two weeks such as: parent workshops, learning, violin and cello lessons with Music Masters, play time activities, lunches, and celebration of the fantastic learning and outcomes across the school. We are very proud of our children for working so hard and for following our class and school rules. Thank you parents for your continued support, help and commitment. We are all in this together!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

November 2020

- **Week beginning 16th November**
Anti-Bullying Week
- **Tuesday 17th November**
Reception Open Day @10am and @1.30pm
- **Thursday 19th November**
Curriculum Workshop for parents @5.15pm
- **Friday 20th November**
Wear **PURPLE** to school
- **Friday 20th November**
E Safety Coffee Morning @10am
- **Friday 27th November**
Virtual Parent Reading Drop In
- **Monday 30th November**
Science Workshop for parents @5pm

December 2020

- **Wednesday 2nd December**
Reception Open Day @10am and @1.30pm
- **Monday 7th December**
English Workshop for parents @11am
- **Wednesday 9th December**
Parent Q&A @1.45pm
- **Thursday 10th December/Friday 11th December**
Virtual Parent Consultations
- **Tuesday 15th December**
EYFS Christmas Performance @10am
Music Masters Performance @2pm
Maths Workshop for parents @4.30pm
- **Wednesday 16th December**
KS1 Christmas Performance @10am
LKS2 Christmas Performance @2pm
- **Thursday 17th December**
UKS2 Christmas Performance @10am
- **Thursday 17th December**
Non Uniform Day – Christmas Lunch and Class Parties
- **Friday 18th November**
Last day of term

Value of the month:

November – Tolerance
December – Appreciation



On Wednesday 4th November, we held our second virtual Parents Forum for this academic year. We had a brilliant turnout! Thank you to all those parents and carers that attended the meeting. Parents had the opportunity to send questions to the school ahead of the meeting and Senior Leaders responded to these questions during the forum. We have included some of the questions and answers below for those parents who were unable to attend this forum.

Q: When are children going to have a full day on Friday?

A: At the last parent forum, we mentioned that we were planning for a return to the full day after Christmas. We believe the extra steps we have taken have helped to ensure that no member of staff or pupil has contracted the virus at school thus far. Though the pandemic has taken a turn for the worse we still hope to return to the full school day in the new year.

Q: If school was to close, would a zoom link be available for online classes?

A: At current time we use Google Classroom and Google Meet. Parents should address any issues with regards to logging in with their child's class teacher as soon as possible.

Q: Will end of key stage exams still take place at the end of the year?

A: National exams are still expected to take place this academic year. The exam timetable may be pushed further into the summer term but we expect exams to go ahead and will prepare for them in the normal way.

Q: What are some of the key learnings from the recent Y5 quarantine?

A:
a) Checking in with parents at the start of the school day so that any technical issues can be quickly addressed.
b) Targeted confidence building support for specific families.
c) Consider the development of activities that further limit screen time for pupils and teachers

Q: Will there be a nursery and Reception open day this year?

A: This will happen on 17th November and 2nd December.

Q: When will you find out if your child has a place in reception?

A: Deadline for applications are normally in January and Reception places are shared with parents on national offer day.

Q: What are the plans for hot school lunches, any idea when?

A: Hot school lunches will be trialed from the week beginning 9th November. Pupils will receive their lunches in specially designed containers that will help to keep meals insulated when they are in transit.

Q: When is parents evening?

A: 10th and 11th December

Q: How can parents become governors?

A: When Vacancies arise the school will notify all parents and give guidance for the application process. Applicants are normally elected.

Q: Will there be school photos before Christmas?

A: We are awaiting confirmation of availability from our traditional photographers and will ensure parents receive at least 10 days' notice once a date has been confirmed.

Q: Will there be any form of Christmas performance this year?

A: Yes. Performances will be filmed and shared with parents from the week beginning 14th December.

Q: When will online home reading go live?

A: We intend to provide pupils their access logins on Monday 9th November.

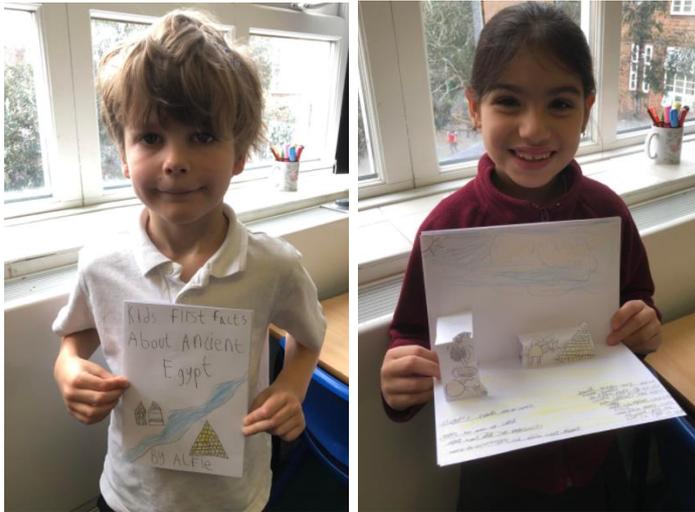
Home Reading

Digital Reading platforms have now been launched across the school. EYFS and KS1 use *Oxford Reading Buddy* and KS2 use *Collins Big Cat*. All children should have received login details for this and books will be assigned on Mondays. If you have any problems with logging in or have general queries, please contact your child's class teacher through the usual channels. Thank you for your continued support!



Celebrating Children's Learning

Year 3 children recently completed their DT projects, making fantastic pop-up fact books about Ancient Egypt.



Division (and sharing) can be a tricky concept when you're only 6 or 7. Here are **Koala class** using concrete objects, beautifully demonstrating they know how to divide/share!



Seal class have been learning about Multiplication this week and have been having fun understanding how to double an amount using Minstrel sweets and unifix cubes. They also have been practising the mathematical language around doubling. For example, Double 4 is 8



Year 2 worked on their non-fiction unit (report writing) in their English class today. They are learning to identify features of a non-fiction text, and use those features to help them find information. They are currently learning about Florence Nightingale, who was a significant person in our history. They are also studying her in their Humanities studies this term!

In **Year 4** this week we role played as Roman soldiers apart of a legionary. We listened to different latin commands such as 'dexter' meaning right and 'equaliter ambula' meaning march forwards. The teachers personal favourite was 'silentium' meaning silence!



Thank you Friends of Jessop! Hot meals are back!

This week we have seen the return of hot school meals. This has been fantastic and all the children have enjoyed having a hot meal at lunchtime. All children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free meal. Children in Year 3 - 6 parents will need to pay via Scopay if they are not entitled for a free school meal. If you are unsure if you are entitled to a Free meal, then please contact the school office and they will be able to check for you. If you would like your child to have a hot school meal, please ask them to tell their class teacher in the morning and they will be added to the meal register for that day. A big thank you to the PTA for purchasing these incredible food containers so that our children can enjoy a hot meal again. We really appreciate your support!



WEEK COMMENCING: 02 Nov / 23 Nov / 14 Dec / 04 Jan / 25 Jan / 08 Mar / 29 Mar

MONDAY

HALAL MONDAY

- Chicken & Pasta in a Creamy Sauce **H**
- Spinach & Lentil Dhal with Rice **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Sweetcorn & Broccoli
- Peaches with Melba Sauce

TUESDAY

- Organic Beef Hotpot with Garlic Bread **OR**
- Roast Vegetable Calzone **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Peas & Cauliflower
- Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

- Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
- Roasted Vegetarian Strips with Roast Potatoes & Gravy **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Carrots & Green Beans
- Oaty Apple & Berry Crumble with Custard

THURSDAY

VEGETARIAN THURSDAY

- Red Onion & Sweetcorn Pizza **V**
- Margherita Pizza **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Roasted Mediterranean Vegetables & Sweetcorn
- Orange Jelly with Fruits

FRIDAY

- Fish Fingers with Chips **OR**
- Spicy Bean Burger in a Bun with Chips **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Peas & Baked Beans
- Fresh Fruit Salad

KEY



Vegetarian



Plant Based Vegan Friendly



Halal Option Available



MSC Fish



Organic



Option 1



Option 2

What did our children say?

I like it more than cold food because it tastes better. I prefer hot food! Aatiyah

I like hot food because hot food makes my mouth warmer. The rice is spicy and I like it. Jack

Hot food has more flavour than cold food! Torin

I like hot food because I don't like it too cold. Ciaran

MONDAY

HALAL MONDAY

- Honey & Ginger Vegetable Strips Stir Fry with Noodles **H**
- Quorn Paella **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Carrots & Vegetable Medley
- Lemon Cheesecake Yoghurt

TUESDAY

- Organic Keema Beef Curry with Rice **OR**
- Vegetarian 'Chicken' Style Piri Piri Strips Wrap **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Green Beans & Cauliflower
- Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

- Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
- Macaroni Cheese **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Carrots & Green Cabbage
- Pear & Mixed Berry Pie with Custard

THURSDAY

VEGETARIAN THURSDAY

- Margherita Pizza **V**
- Roasted Vegetable Pizza **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Broccoli & Sweetcorn
- Lemon Shortbread with Fruits

FRIDAY

- Battered Pollock & Chips with Homemade Tartar Sauce **OR**
- Quorn Frankfurter Hot Dog with Chips **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Peas & Baked Beans
- Orange Jelly

WEEK COMMENCING: 16 Nov / 07 Dec / 18 Jan / 08 Feb / 01 Mar / 22 Mar

MONDAY

HALAL MONDAY

- Beef Spaghetti Bolognese **H**
- Butterbean & Vegetable Tagine with Couscous **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Carrot & Green Beans
- Peach Fool

TUESDAY

- Chicken Sausage with Mashed Potato & Gravy **OR**
- Quorn Sausage with Mashed Potato & Gravy **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Green Cabbage & Cauliflower
- Yoghurt Bar

WEDNESDAY

- Roast Beef with Roast Potatoes & Gravy
- Goan Vegetable Curry with Rice **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Carrots & Broccoli
- Apple & Banana Cake with Custard

THURSDAY

VEGETARIAN THURSDAY

- Margherita Pizza **V**
- Red Onion & Sweetcorn Pizza **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Roasted Mediterranean Vegetables & Sweetcorn
- Fruit Jelly with Fruits

FRIDAY

- Breaded Pollock with Chips **OR**
- Cheese & Broccoli Quiche with Chips **V**
- Daily Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
- Peas & Baked Beans
- Fresh Fruit Salad

Celebration Assembly

Well done to the following children for their outstanding work in RE!

Seal - Aatiyah
 Kangaroo – Keela
 Elephant – Nooran
 Lion – Radiyat
 Gazelle – Martha
 Dolphin - Janai

Well done to the following children for their outstanding work in Science!

Penguin – Torin
 Koala – Chloe
 Gorilla – Rosa
 Tiger – Leila
 Polar Bear – Molly
 Blue Whale - Marley

Whole School Attendance
 Percentage
 Week beginning 2nd November 2020
92.9%

Class	Percentage	Winner
Butterflies	93.2	Foundation Stage
Ladybirds	100.0	
Kangaroos	88.5	KS1
Seals	92.3	
Koalas	96.7	
Penguins	99.5	
Tigers	86.1	Lower KS2
Gorillas	86.4	
Elephants	88.0	
Lions	92.6	Upper KS2
Blue Whales	86.4	
Gazelles	96.0	
Polar Bears	96.8	
Dolphins	97.1	

Homework Star

My monster is called the Colossus. It is the size of a five storey building and is a green-blue colour, like the ocean in which it lives. Its skin contains chromatophores*, like an octopus, enabling it to effortlessly camouflage. It has thick, rubbery skin and long, sharp talons. Its huge, gaping mouth sucks in prey like a vortex. As it feeds, it takes in immense amounts of water and filters it through gills at the back of its neck, retaining its food in its mouth. Colossus can go for up to three months without feeding but when it finds a good source of food, it will consume it completely. It is an ambush predator, its main prey is sharks. It lumbers slowly across the ocean floor, almost walking rather than swimming, until it chances across prey when it lunges rapidly and sucks its victim into its waiting mouth before they even notice.

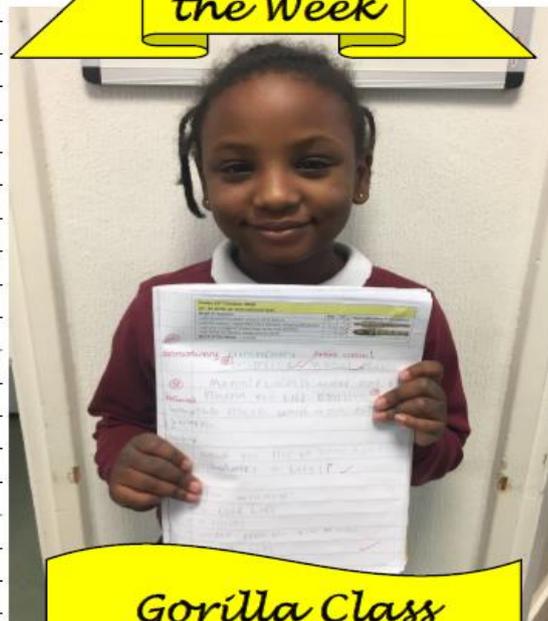
* Chromatophores are the cells in the skin that allow a creature to change colour, using pigment and light.



A reminder that all homework is assigned via *Google Classroom* on Fridays and must be completed by Tuesdays. All children should be able to login to this new online platform. If your child has any issues logging in, please contact their class teacher as soon as possible.

Thank you to those children who have submitted a recipe for the Jessop Cook Book. We are very excited to see the final product!

Writer of the Week



Gorilla Class