



Friday 26 April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was lovely to see the children engaging with Simon Murray, our visiting author on Wednesday. The children created wonderful artwork across the school, and I look forward to seeing the follow up work that this has created. Year 4 have started their clarinet project with Jersey Music Service. This is a fabulous project where all Year 4 children learn an instrument for a term. It is clarinets for Trinity, so I heard the first lesson on Monday. They are all allocated an instrument to take home and practise their skills. It is a great opportunity enabling all children to access an instrument, so I hope that the Year 4 children enjoy this experience and practise hard at home. The school felt very musical this week, as when I visited Year 3 Ms Hamon was teaching the whole class glockenspiel and they shared their learning with me— what great progress they have made in only two weeks!

Playground Update – I'll be sharing with the children today that we have ordered the new playground equipment and have set a date to install. It will be installed during the first two weeks of August ready for the Summer School to use! The flooring was more expensive than we anticipated, however, the PTA have worked tirelessly over the last few years to raise these funds and we are delighted that we finally have enough to order the equipment and flooring. With the new equipment and new sensory garden – that is beginning to take shape – the top playground will look and feel quite different next year.

Well done to those children who joined in the reading challenges over Easter. Everyone who took part has been entered into a draw and we will be giving out prizes later today to the lucky winners.

Message from the Children's Commissioner

It is important that we hear from as many children, young people, and adults as we can, and so we have created online surveys, where they can share their views with us. All the info on this, as well as the survey links can be found on our website [Strategic Plan 2024 | Children's Commissioner for Jersey \(childcomjersey.org.je\)](http://Strategic Plan 2024 | Children's Commissioner for Jersey (childcomjersey.org.je)) We would like to encourage children and young people to be supported to join in and complete the survey that is appropriate for their age. We also want to encourage parents and carers to get involved too.

I have invited the Children's Commissioner to our next Trinity Action groups (TAG) in May so that she can see how we work with children to hear their voices. She will stay on after the session to do a focus group with children from across the year groups.

Attendance Drop in – just a reminder our first drop-in session is on Monday 29th April 8.45 -9.45am. It is very informal – a cup of tea and a chat. Please do come in if you have any worries or concerns about your child's attendance and we can talk them through.

Tuesday 30th April is the very last day for anyone who would like to register their child for the Summer School. We are having to be organised and we are very unlikely to be able to take any more children after the deadline. So, if you want your child to attend, please get the paperwork in by Monday. From next month I am allocating staff and will staff the provision according to numbers. Therefore, if you want your child to come to the summer school please register now as once I've organised staffing, I will have limited flexibility to accommodate any more children.

You will have received a letter in the week about the School Walk and we look forward to holding that just before half term, we thought it would be a good end to the half term. Hopefully, the weather will be kind to us! Please do let class teachers know if you can help, we do need a few helpers to enable us to go ahead.

We have been informed by the RJA&HS that the carpark will be out of use on **Thursday 2 May**. If your child is in Nursery or Reception, please do leave the premises promptly leaving space in the Riley Field for other parents. This also applies to Key Stage 1 and 2 parents when they pick up at 2.50 pm and 3.00 pm. We are very lucky to have use of the RJA&S and this is just a one off so please be patient and be assured that no one will be left unattended, so park carefully and then come and pick up – if people are a few minutes late we understand!

I hope that you all have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

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