16TH JULY 2026

NEWSLETTER

Jolesfield Church of England Primary School



Headteacher's Message

It seems unbelievable to be writing the last newsletter of this academic year! Academic years pass so quickly but the change we see in the children is incredible. Our Reception children have made huge strides in all aspects of their development. They are also so excited about their own learning journey with a passion and energy that we hope never dims. Whilst it is always wonderful to see children making progress academically, there is so much more to celebrate. We have seen children learn to swim, make new friends, try a musical instrument, learn to whittle, light a fire with a flint, visit an opera house, perform a solo, take part in a new sport, climb using a harness, overcome fears, develop independent strategies and have the courage to ask for help. The year has been full of huge personal achievements and we celebrate each and everyone of these.

Our Year 6 production 'Gigglebox' was a joy to behold. There was superb acting, brave solos, wonderful synchronised dancing, incredible comedic timing, well-delivered lines and great singing. The sense of joy and pride from the children was palpable, even during the final and incredibly hot performance, last night!

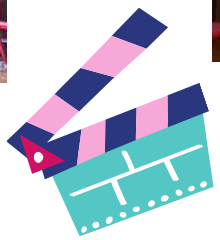












Kindness - Teamwork - Positivity - Thankfulness - Respect

TEAM UPDATES

Jo Wilbourn, one of our capable, dedicated and long-serving teaching assistants will not be part of our September staff team. I am sure that you will join me in thanking her for her long service and wishing her all the best for her future.

Oscar Pettit, who many of you will be familiar with, as a staff member of the Brighton and Hove Football Club Association is joining our staff team! Oscar has been a valuable part of the Jolesfield community for 3 years, leading our Football Club and teaching some classes as a part of our PPA provision. Osacr has a huge heart for every child and for a long time has been passionate about becoming a primary school teacher. Therefore, we are delighted to have been able to offer Oscar a Teacher Apprenticeship. Oscar will be primarily teaching within Year 3. If your child has attended the Football Club and known Oscar as Oscar, please help them practise using the more formal address of Mr Pettit! Oscar will also be running a Girls' Football Club in the Autumn term on a Wednesday.

By law, all teachers are allocated time for Preparation, Planning and Assessment (PPA), we cover this in a variety of ways, sometimes using other teachers, teaching assisstants and specialist providers. From September, BHAFC are making some changes that prompted us to review their offer. On the basis, of this we are moving to a new provider called Kick, whose vision and ethos is fully aligned to ours. This will allow us to keep the element of specialist sports coaching, which enriches our PPA offer. In addition, Kick will also lead one after-school sports club a term.

SWIMMING

During the hot weather, our swimming pool has been such an incredible resource. We have seen children start a block of swimming lessons unable to swim and conclude the sessions being able to swim on both their front and back! Thank you so much for all the donations that have helped us run swimming for another year. in addition, sponsors linked to our sponsored swim have poured in with incredible generosity. Thank you! We are having the filter media changed at the beginning of the holidays but also getting a quote for a new pool cover. The money raised through the sponsored swim will help towards this.

Every class has received between 10 and 12 swimming sessions. As you know, there are very strong hygiene standards that have to be met in order to permit the pool to be used. Our pool controller, Peter, has done a brilliant job at meeting these which is very challenging in such sunny weather as the chlorine burns away so quickly. Peter's testing is complemented by South East Water, who regularly take samples to analyse in the laboratory. A test result received yesterday has shown the presence of a bacteria emerging in the pipe work, which requires a significant amount of chlorine to be added. This has resulted in the pool being closed this morning. However, the South East Water results received this afternoon have come back clear, so we are pleased that the pool is able to remain open for the remainder of this term, and swimming lessons are able to resume tomorrow.

YEAR 6 LEAVERS

Thank you so much to all the parents, who joined our Year 6 pupils at the Diocesan Leavers' service. This took place in the beautiful location of Christ's Hospital and was attended by multiple schools. Our children sang beautifully and some gave a reading. Bishop Ruth gave an encouraging talk and reminded the children of how loved they are in the eyes of God.



OTHER NEWS & INFORMATION

SCHOOL REPORTS

Please note that as the Department for Education has delayed the pulication of this year's SATS results, which accompany the end-of-year school reports for some year groups, school reports will be sent out for **all** pupils on Monday 20th June.

TAX-FREE CHILDCARE

Tax-Free Childcare (TFC) is a childcare top-up for working parents. It can be used to help pay for breakfast clubs, after school clubs, holiday clubs, childminders, or sports activities. This is available for children aged up to 11, or 17 if the child has a disability. Families can visit Best Start in Life website to check if they are eligible - https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/childcare-early-years-education/

More information can also be found here - https://www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare

MESSAGE FROM THE CHILDREN'S COMMISSIONER

As Children's Commissioner, I am writing to invite pupils from Jolesfield Primary School to be part of my national survey, **The Big Future.**

The survey can be accessed here: http://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture.

The survey takes just 5–10 minutes to complete, and parents and carers can complete the survey on behalf of younger children.

Dame Rachel de Souza
Children's Commissioner

HORSHAM PARENT/CARER SUPPORT GROUP FOR FAMILIES FOR CHILDREN WITH SEND

If you are a parent or carer of a child or young person who has, or you think may have, special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex, please join Reaching Families at our Worthing Umbrellas parent/carer support group! Umbrella's provides an informative, supportive, relaxed and non-judgmental environment within which parents can swap life experiences, share hints and tips, seek advice and share information and resources.

You are warmly invited to join us on **Wednesday 15th July 10-11.30am at The Horsham Family Hub, RH12 1RS**.

Please do join us anytime between 10am and 11.30am for a warm welcome and a chance to connect with other local parent carers in a safe and supportive space - there is no need to book, just pop in for a cuppa, biscuit and a chat! We look forward to seeing you there!

If you are unable to make a group in person the online Umbrellas support groups via Zoom are also a great way to connect and receive support and these run once a month on a Thursday in the evening from 7.30-9pm. If you would like to attend any in person support group simply show up and we will look after you. Alternatively if you would prefer to attend the online support group via zoom, please email outreach-training@reachingfamilies.org.uk and I will send the link to you. It's a very safe place to talk and be supported. The next online support group is Thursday 10th September from 7.30-9pm.

Please note, your child does not need a diagnosis to access our services.

A short animation explaining our services can be viewed here: Reaching Families animation

Our services include:

- Factsheets and information resources
- Free training and workshops
- Benefits advice
- Befriending support
- Umbrellas parent support groups (including online)
- ND Navigation service
- Parent Facebook community
- Facebook news page – service updates, events and news

SUITCASE OF SUCCESS

***** ROLL OF HONOUR *****

We are delighted to celebrate our children's successes, both within and outside of school.

In this week's newsletter, we congratulate the following children on their recent achievements:

PG FeteDog Show - 5th Place
Maisie W & Lilah E (Year 3)

Blue Peter Badge
Callum M (Year 2)

Little Princess Trust
Evelyn H (Y3)

Football
U7s Players' Player
Callum M (Y2)
Steyning Town FC - Tournament
Oli C (Y2)
Burgess Hill FC Tournament
Evie May T (Y5)

Go Karting
1st Place
Cameron M (Y6)

Swimming
Level 5
Hayley S (Y2)

Netball Tournament
Elsie Jane B (Y4), Evie A (Y4), Issie Ping (Y3)

Red Academy
Group Peformance by Jolesfield Children

Gymnastics
Level 6 Floor
Alesha K, *Chloe B, Lilah E, Isla P, Poppy F, Evie May T, Perrie J, Paige G*

DATES FOR THE DIARY

20th July - School Reports sent out
22nd July - **Y6** Leavers' Assembly
22nd July - Last Day of Term
1st September - INSET Day
2nd September - Term starts
25th September - **Y3** Roman Workshop
29th September - **Y2** to Arundel Castle
w/c 28th September - Y6 PGL Residential

INSET DAYS - ACADEMIC YEAR 2026 - 2027

Tuesday 1st September - Inset Day
Monday 5th October - Inset Day
Monday 4th January - Inset Day
Tuesday 26th January - Inset Day
Monday 7th June - Inset Day

JSA NEWS

A reminder that the JSA will be on the playground selling ice-creams tomorrow, and this will be the last time before the end of term.

A huge thank you to everyone who has supported the JSA so far this year. Thanks to your generosity, we've raised valuable funds that will help provide extra resources and opportunities for our children. We truly appreciate every contribution.

As we look ahead, the Autumn and Winter terms are always our busiest time, with our biggest events - Fireworks Night and Christmas Fair. To make these events a success, we need lots of volunteers to help with planning, setting up, running stalls, and tidying away afterwards. Even giving just an hour or two can make a big difference. If you've ever thought about getting involved, now is the perfect time. It's a great way to meet other parents, support the school community, and help create memorable experiences for our children.

Thank you once again for your continued support — we couldn't do it without you!

Enjoy your summer holidays!

The JSA x



Thought for the Week



With the end of the school year less than a week away, we are starting to prepare to say our farewells to some children and staff.

We will be wishing our Year 6s much happiness as they move onto their new secondary schools in September - remember that change is positive, and embrace all that comes your way! Whether you are leaving Jolesfield, or continuing your learning journey here, remember to always set your goals high and dream big, because you're only as big as the dreams you dare to live!

"Somewhere inside all of us is the power to change the world"
Roald Dahl

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YOUR SCHOOL LOTTERY

WIN WIN

SUPPORT OUR LOTTERY

It's A WIN-WIN Situation!

BOOST School Funds
WIN up to £25,000

TICKETS £1 EACH

To start supporting, visit:

YourSchoolLottery.co.uk/play

and search for: Jolesfield

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

PETWORTH FESTIVAL FAMILY FUN

SUNDAY 26 JULY, 2.30PM
PETWORTH HOUSE STABLE YARD

With Family Theatre Magic from
Alice's Adventures in Wonderland
& Foot-tapping Musical Theatre from the Fabulous
Bowjangles!



PETWORTH FESTIVAL

Tickets at
petworthfestival.org.uk









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A magicaldayofponies,riding,art,friendshipand mindfulness

summer holiday fun



What to expect :

- Mindfulness timewithponies
- Pony care
- Riding and Mounted games
- Connect with arts and nature
- Make new friends

Dates:

4th, 6 , 10th and 13th of August 2026

Time: 8:30 am -1:00pm

Hillcrest Farm RidingSchool, Horsham RH13 6NX

Book Now

Spaces limited to 10 childrenper day
£115 per child per day £30 pound deposit

Bypurchasing a ticket via eventbriteyou are paying a £30 deposit.You will be invoiced for the balance 1 week before the event

Links for Booking

4th August
6th August
10th August
13th August

We are an inclusive team and warmly welcome children with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) we celebrate diversity and are committed to providing a supportive environment where every child can thrive.

07712 547901



Multi-Activity Summer Holiday Camp

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FOODBANK SCHEDULE

Horsham Matters
Meeting Needs and Improving Lives

Horsham District Foodbank
Together with Trussell

FOODBANK SCHEDULE 2026

MONDAY

10:00 - 11:00	Hub On The Move, Billingshurst Library Car Park RH14 9JZ
11:30 - 12:30	Hub On the Move, Broadbridge Heath Parish Council Office car park, Sargent Way RH12 3TS
14:00 - 15:30	Hub On The Move, Storrington Library car park, RH20 4NZ
14:30 -16:30	Horsham United Reformed Church,Springfield Road RH12 2RG
16:30 - 17:30	Pulborough, Sports Pavilion Rectory Close RH20 2AJ

TUESDAY

10:00 - 12:00	Horsham Matters, Redkiln Close, RH13 5QL
17:30 - 18:30	Horsham LifeSpring Church, Drill Hall, Denne Road, RH12 1JF

WEDNESDAY

10:00 - 12:00	Horsham Matters, Redkiln Close, RH13 5QL
12:30 - 13:30	Southwater, The Church Room, Holy innocents, Church Lane, RH13 9BT
14:00 -15:30	Hub On The Move, Storrington Library car park, RH20 4NZ

THURSDAY

11:30 -12:30	Hub On The Move, Henfield, Library car park, BN5 9HN
13:00 - 15:00	Horsham Kingdom Faith Church, Foundry Close, RH13 5PX
15:00 - 17:00	Horsham Matters, Redkiln Close, RH13 5QL

FRIDAY

10:00 - 12:00	Horsham Matters, Redkiln Close, RH13 5QL

SATURDAY

10:00 - 12:00	Horsham LifeSpring Church, Drill Hall, Denne Road, RH12 1JF

Please contact us to obtain a foodbank voucher before visiting a foodbank.
Either call or WhatsApp: **0300 124 0204**
Or email **support@horsham-matters.org.uk**

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FACE

July 2026 Timetable

All regular sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours

Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	6 July 10am
Anxiety Explained	6 July 7pm
Introduction to OCD	7 July 10am
What is ACT?	7 July 7pm
Decreasing Depression	13 July 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	13 July 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	14 July 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	14 July 7pm
FREE - Supporting Healthy Screen Use	16 July 7-8pm
Autism-Improving Communication	20 July 10am
Improving Family Communication	20 July 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	21 July 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	21 July 7pm
Understanding Anger	27 July 10am
School Anxiety	27 July 7pm
Facing Defiance	28 July 10am
Supporting Health Screen Use	28 July 7pm


A Midsummer
Night's Dream
Ardingly College Grounds
Open Air Theatre
21 - 23 August
7.45 nightly & matinée Sat 22nd at 2.30
Info: 07763 308 125
Tickets £16 Students and U18s £12
riversideplayers.org.uk
The Riverside Players

CORNERSTONE METHODIST CHURCH
PARTRIDGE GREEN

Together with St Michael's CoE

THURSDAY 27th August 2026
10.30am start

New beginnings!

Intrigued? Join us and find out
We'll have fun as we explore the Bible
through stories, Messy crafts, songs and games,
followed by a lunch together.
Ages: Primary School mostly, but younger ones are more than welcome too!
Big or small, Messy Church is for all - *It's a 'Family Thing' :-) (children must be accompanied)*
Our sessions are free;
donations on the day are welcome.
but NOT ESSENTIAL!!

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