



# Saint Jérôme Times

FRIDAY 20 APRIL 2018

## Executive Headteacher News



Dear Parents,

It has been good to see the children return to school this week and to enjoy the first sunshine of the summer term.

Our assemblies this week have had an Easter theme as we have thought about our school value of joy. We have reflected on the joy that Jesus' disciples experienced when they heard the news of his resurrection and we have taken the opportunity to reflect on all of the things that we are thankful for and that bring us joy. We have decorated an Easter tree with eggs that reflect the things we want to thank God for that bring us joy. This is good news!

We also enjoyed seeing the creative and colourful entries to our Easter Bonnet and Easter Egg decorating competition. It was good to see so many parents in the playground for our joyful procession in the sunshine.

Our next visit to Church will be on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May when we will be celebrating Ascension Day. You are all very welcome to come along and as always we will appreciate help with walking to Church.

I hope you can enjoy and make the most of the good weather over the weekend.

Daniel Norris  
Executive Headteacher

## School uniform



PE kits were sent home at the end of last term. PLEASE check the kit your child brings home - does it all belong to them?

Please hand back to your child's class teacher any PE kit that does not belong to them. We will then endeavour to return items to their rightful owner - provided they are named. Please take this opportunity to ensure all your child's uniform and equipment is properly named.



## St. John's Church

To celebrate Ascension Day our next visit to church will be on 8th May



### STARS OF THE WEEK

Tobias & Pradhosh  
Micah & Abdul Wahhab



### KINDNESS AWARDS

Charlie & Zion  
Maria Guilia & Emma



### DIAMOND LEARNERS

Saahil & Noarii  
Andre & Chloe

## EYFS News

It was such a pleasure to see everyone return this week and it has made even nicer by the arrival of the sun. Such a shame we didn't have it in the holidays! The children have come back eager and ready to learn and there is a real sense of them having "grown up" over the break which is brilliant as, it's hard to believe that we only have 1 term left in reception.

The children have been telling us all about their Easter holidays and have been writing some fabulous sentences, many of the children have really grasped the concept of using a capital letter to start, using finger spaces and ending with a full stop. From the news we heard, it sounded like you all have a fabulous break. We have recapped addition and next week we shall move onto subtraction.

Our main story focus this week has been "The Hungry Caterpillar" by Eric Carle. The children have loved listening to the story and completing lots of activities relating to it. Today, we have learnt about the lifecycle of a butterfly. We hope soon to be able to see this for real once our new little visitors arrive but, shhhh - don't tell the children as it will be a surprise for them.

With the sun finally making an appearance, we now ask that ALL children bring a hat to school. We are out on the decked area throughout the day and go out onto the playground at lunchtime so it is vital they have a hat to protect them. We also ask, that suncream is applied at home before school. We are unable to apply lotion during the day, but there are many suncreams available which last up to 8hrs or more.

Finally, it has been a week of celebrations in Reception. Many of you will know that our wonderful Miss Vama got married over the Easter break. She will now be known as Mrs Thana, our congratulations goes to her and her husband. We would also like to wish Madame Stirling, a very happy birthday for Wednesday.

Have a wonderful, sunny weekend.

**Mrs Bowerman and the EYFS team.**

## KS1 News from Madame Chadier



We are so pleased that our pupils remembered so much French and Year 1 illustrated the French Easter chocolate legends from memory.

Whilst increasing their French reading skills, Year 1 are now also

encouraged to write simple words containing the a, e, i, o and u "pure" sounds.

Reception children explored the life cycle of a butterfly with stories and songs you can find here:

[https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s\\_jrme/la-chenille-the-caterpillar/](https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/la-chenille-the-caterpillar/)

Both classes are going to focus on the seasonal changes of spring:

[https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s\\_jrme/le-printemps-spring/](https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/le-printemps-spring/)

We are also thrilled to share with you some these images from the current Monet & Architecture exhibition at the National Gallery:

[https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s\\_jrme/monet-architecture/](https://www.pinterest.co.uk/s_jrme/monet-architecture/)

Bonne fin de semaine, wishing you a good end of the week.

Amicalement,

**Mme Chadier & The French Team**

## Key Stage One Classroom News

Welcome back to another exciting term at St Jérôme. We have loved hearing about your Easter activities and the children have enjoyed writing about them. We have been encouraging the children to focus on their capital letters, full stops, using question marks and exclamation marks this week in their writing.

In Maths, we have been identifying tens and units in 2-digit numbers and number patterns in a 100-square.

As the weather has finally got warmer, please can we remind you to send a water bottle and a summer hat with your child. Please also apply sun cream at the start of the day.

Many thanks for your continued support.

**Mrs Isherwood & the KS1 Team**

## Future Diary Dates

**Half Term: Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June**

**Training Day (School Closed for Pupils) - Monday 4th June**

**Tuesday 5th June pupils return to school**

**End of Term: Friday 20th July 1.15 pm finish**

**Autumn Term begins: Wednesday 5th September**

## Lateness

Unfortunately, there was a substantial amount of lateness last term. As our attendance and punctuality policy states, lateness can have a detrimental effect on: the child's developing standards for responsible adulthood, the child's learning, the learning of others, the child's sense of belonging and the child's behaviour.

Learning starts very promptly in the classrooms and children move straight into English, Maths or Phonics teaching immediately after the register has been taken. Please can all parents ensure the children are on time for school to ensure each and every child benefits from the maximum teaching opportunity. Playground gates are open until 8:55am. Thank you for your support in this matter.

