



15 May 2019

Dear Parents & Carers,

We are half way through SATs week, and the pupils have taken it comfortably in their stride. If you could see them, I have no doubt you would be very proud of how professionally they are dealing with the tests.

Skiing and Sledging - Friday 17 May

We have worked hard to rearrange inspiring activities for JD, following our original arrangements falling through. The Snozone have only been able to allocate us timings that finish at 2.30pm. We will then be handing in our kit and getting on the coach as swiftly as possible.

On the way back to School, we will drop our choristers at the Cathedral, where they will be met by 2 chaperones to walk them to Number 28. We will then be driving back to School and we are anticipating arrival between 4.00pm and 4.15pm at the Tower Entrance.

All pupils should come to School wearing the kind of clothing we would wear to go hiking, **and bring their own warm gloves to wear to ski in.** Please ensure your child is wearing their School hoodie. Be aware that we are on real snow; the ambient temperature is -5°C in the air, -10°C on the slope. **Pupils need to bring boots/wellingtons to wear whilst sledging, so please ensure items are named.**

All pupils will need a packed lunch, plenty of water and snacks. We will follow the same rules as when we hike; pupils are welcome to bring biscuits/cake as a snack, but not sweets or bars of chocolate.

Snozone will be providing us with insulated trousers and jackets to wear, as well as helmets. If you are a regular skier and your child has ski clothing, they are welcome to bring it, but please ensure that it is clearly named.

Year 5 and 6 Boy Choristers will also need to bring their School uniform in a named bag (remember your shoes) in order to change for the service at the Cathedral in the evening. We will be able to leave these bags on the bus during the day.

Swimming Gala - Thursday 23 May

The team for 2019 is:

JD1 - Maya, Eva, Amelia, Hannah, Monty, Daniel K, Oliver and Jack

JD2 - Eve, Elizabeth, Jasmin, Lilly, Fin, Ewan, Lewis and Robbie

These 16 children will be taking part in a gala practice session on Tuesday 21 May so they need to bring their swimming kit.

The Swimming Gala will take place on Thursday 23 May at the Regional Pool, starting at 1.00pm and finishing at approximately 3.00pm. Parents are welcome to spectate.

Year 4 Times Table Check

In June, the current Year 4 pupils will undertake the government trial for the upcoming Times Table check that becomes compulsory as of next year. The children will need to be fluent in their times tables from 2x2 up to 12x12, with a focus on the 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12 times tables, as these are the trickier times tables that are focused on more in Years 3 and 4. The children will take the test on a computer and will have 6 seconds to answer each question, with 25 questions in total. If you have any questions, please contact Miss Martin.

Morning Drop-off to School

Please note that it is your responsibility to supervise your child at the School gate until 8.25am in the morning.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Ludford
Head of Junior Department

| Date | Event | Notes |
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| Wed 15 May | KS2 SATS | |
| Thu 16 May | KS2 SATS | |
| Fri 17 May | All JD pupils travel to SNOZONE in Milton Keynes for skiing and sledging lessons | No cost to parents - Sports Premium funded Collection at 4.15pm from the Tower Entrance. Pupils should wear outdoor clothing and bring thick gloves to ski and boots or wellingtons for sledging. |
| Tue 21 May | Swimming Gala practice session for the team 2-3pm | |
| Wed 22 May | Foodbank confirmed date | |
| Thu 23 May | Swimming Gala at the Regional Pool; team will be selected near to the event. | Parents are welcome to support |
| Fri 24 May | Years 3 and 4 Mini Tennis competition; team of 8 will be selected in PE lessons | None at present time |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY - Monday 27 to Friday 31 May | | |
| Mon 10 Jun | JD School Council Meeting 1.40pm | |
| Thu 13 Jun | JD Sports Day at Garton End Road Event starts at 11am and lasts approximately 1 hour; bring a picnic to share with your child We will aim to start afternoon lessons around 1.00pm | Parents are encouraged to attend or to send a family representative; please bring a picnic lunch to have with your child on the School field afterwards |
| Fri 14 Jun | JD1 Hunstanton trip Beach activities and rockpooling; hiking from Sealife Centre to Old Hunstanton - includes cliff and dune habitats | No cost – funded Pupils will leave from the Tower Entrance at 8.30am and return to School at 4.30pm |
| Mon 17 Jun | Safety Challenge - Year 6 pupils off site learning about water/internet/road/fire safety at Dogsthorpe Fire Station | No cost Takes place from 9.00am until 12.15pm; back in School for lunch |
| Thu 20 Jun | Leavers' Service at the Cathedral (whole School) - Year 11 and Year 13 leavers | Parents are welcome to attend |
| Wed 26 Jun | Foodbank confirmed date | |
| Wed 3 Jul | Provisional Move Up Day for Year 6 All JD pupils move to their new classes for the morning; new Year 3 pupils will be joining us | Year 6 pupils are part of the main School for two days and should follow the arrangements sent in their packs |
| Thu 4 Jul | Provisional Move Up Day for Year 6 pupils | |

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| Fri 5 Jul | JD2 Beach Hike - Holme-next-the-Sea to Hunstanton Pupils will hike and learn about the environment and wildlife, as well as carrying litter pickers to collect any man made rubbish we find along the way | Hike timings are within the School day |
| Mon 8 - Thu 11 Jul | Bikeability training for Year 6 pupils | Bike in good order, helmet, appropriate clothes |
| Fri 12 Jul | Full School Sports Day | Collect pupils from the Embankment running track |
| Mon 15 Jul | CHANGE Ceilidh Dancing with live band for JD pupils in the School Sports Hall - afternoon session | Within School time, no additional cost |
| Thu 18 Jul | Primary Maths Challenge Team of 4 from JD entered; selection nearer the date. | |
| Fri 19 Jul | JD Art Gallery open for parents/family to visit. Fundraising for Children In Need, organised by JD School Council. Please pay £2 for admission to the Art exhibition Provisional timings: Doors open at 2.45pm, Art on sale from 3.15pm | Parents/family will be able to buy and take away their child's artwork for a donation to Children In Need |
| Tue 23 Jul | Last day of the Summer Term 12.30pm collection from JD. | Cathedral Service - parents/carers are welcome. NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE TO THE PREVIOUS DATE THAT WAS GIVEN TO ALL STAFF AND STAKEHOLDERS – SUMMER HOLIDAY STARTS ONE DAY EARLIER |

SUMMER HOLIDAY STARTS ON 23 July 2019 at 12.30pm

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FIRST YEAR SIXES RETURN!

The very first Year Sixes (from 2011) came back to JD as Year 13s! Mr Ludford invited them to read their old letters from when they were only in Year 6. There were 8 pupils that arrived that day.

Before they came into the assembly room, they had a wonderful meal including bacon sandwiches and Danish pastries.

Saint Basil's Cathedral Reimagined!

On Friday, JD2, created beautiful pictures of Saint Basil's Cathedral inspired by Katie Cardew. The original building was from Moscow (in Russia.) JD2 recreated

They arrived at the assembly room as JD2 and JD1 sat cross legged on the carpet. They gave us brilliant advice, such as: Listen to Mr Ludford, and enjoy Year 7, 8 and 9!

Everyone absolutely loved that magnificent day.

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them in an art style. Like Katie Cardew's, they weren't exactly the same, but they loved it!