

24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parent/carer,

Your children just keep getting better! Year 5 children have moved to their new English and Maths classes this week, they have adjusted well and are responding to their new teachers with enthusiasm. The new classes have allowed teachers to focus their teaching on any gaps the children have in their learning following absence due to Covid, we want our children to make accelerated progress and plug those gaps quickly.

Next week will start a little differently, we have two exciting days planned during which we will focus our studies on different religions with particularly reference to the theme of charity. We have some fun and creative activities planned, it promises to be an excellent two days.

On Monday we welcomed some year 5 parents to spend the day as a year 5 pupils, they left exhausted but happy with what they had seen; as well as full from their lovely school dinner. It was a lovely opportunity to show our parents the great things that happen at JCSC. If you would like to come in and visit us please contact me and we can arrange a visit.

Homework will start this week, all children will come home with a piece of Maths and English homework. It is important they complete this so we can assess their learning. To further support your child, from next week we will be introducing "skill of the week". The skill we are focusing upon will be recorded in your child's planner on a Monday, please help support your child by discussing this skill with them.

I am sure you will agree reading is an essential skill for life and one we continually promote at JCSC. Your child is expected to bring a reading book with them each day so they can access independent reading opportunities throughout the day. If your child does not have a book at home (or one they want to read!) please let us know and we can support your child to access the library.

I wanted to remind parents that breakfast club is free and available for all children to access from 8 am each morning. It is a lovely opportunity to have some breakfast and meet friends before the day starts.

As always, if you have any problems or question do not hesitate to contact your child's tutor, their PSO or myself.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Jacqui Johnson