

# d'Auvergne Weekly Update 5.1.24

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Head Teacher's Comments**

I trust you all had a joyful Christmas and wish you and your families all the very best for 2024.

Thank you for your kind words, cards and gifts that we received at the end of last term. They were all very warmly received and appreciated.

## **Hot Lunches**

Preparations continue at pace for the delivery of the first hot lunches, now on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. The booking App and payment method will be released to you over the next week, for choices to be made a week in advance of 23<sup>rd</sup>. We shall share this information with you all in a step-by-step booklet. Additionally, we are welcoming many to next Tuesday's tasting sessions. **If you have signed-up for a session, please take this as confirmation that you may attend the session you requested.**

Hot lunches will cost £2.50 / day. However, all pupils who are eligible for Jersey Premium will receive their **hot lunch for free every day**. I anticipate this will be a very welcome offer.

Please bear with us we finalise the last details around this new development – it's no small undertaking; the guidance booklet and Apps will be with you as soon as possible.

## **Jersey Baptist Church Money Coaching Course**

In partnership with other island churches, Jersey Baptist Church run a Christians Against Poverty (CAP) Money Coaching Course that aims to help individuals and families to manage their finances well. The course is a UK nationally recognised course which is suitable for everyone, whether or not they feel that they are in control of their finances. It will be especially helpful in the current climate and will be perfect timing for anyone feeling the financial pinch just after Christmas. Even if you feel that you have your finances under control, you are guaranteed to learn something new that will help you make savings.

The next course starts on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024 and will run for three Thursday evenings, starting at 7:30pm at Jersey Baptist Church, Vauxhall Street.

Please click on the following link for more information: <https://capjersey.org.je>

Click here to sign up: <https://jerseybaptist.churchsuite.com/events/2dtgnu3s>"

## **Year Group Updates**

### **Futures 1**

Welcome back, we hope you had a lovely break.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, we are looking forward to learning more about people who help us, specifically, doctors, dentists, opticians and hairdressers. We have invested in lots of role play toys to explore these professions and hope to be able to get out and about to visit a few too. We will be looking a variety of books about people who help us, but our main text is 'Real Superheroes' by Julia Seal.

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Swimming and horse riding continue this term on Tuesdays and Fridays. If you are unsure which day your child is swimming, please just ask. We do have some Healing Waves sessions booked in but you will be told about these as and when they are due to occur.

Have a great weekend!

Mrs Mason and the Futures 1 team

## **Futures 2**

We have already begun to explore this term's topic: 'Our Future Selves!'

Before we discuss what jobs exist and what jobs we'd like to do, we have simply been discussing what makes us happy!

In the coming term we hope to experiment, roleplay and write about things that we love to do and how this can help form what jobs we want to do when we're older.

In regards to our timetable, 'Healing Waves' and swimming sessions will continue this term – specific individual times will be communicated directly to parents.

In order to cement the days of the week, we have anchored each day with a scheduled activity: Forest School Monday, Swimming Tuesday, Challenge Wednesday, Gaming Thursday and Cooking Fridays.

In other exciting news, very soon Futures 2 will be gaining a new student – we are sure that he will be welcomed and made to feel a part of our fantastic Futures family.

Best wishes, 'Happy New Year' and here's to a successful 2024!

Futures 2

## **Nursery**

First of all, a very big and heartfelt thank you to you all for your generous gifts and cards at the end of last term. We hope you had a fantastic, fun-filled and special Christmas break with your loved ones.

We are so proud of how the children have started 2024, coming back into Nursery full of smiles and exciting stories, eager to play and learn!

This term, our topic is '**Our world around us**'. The children will be learning about people who help us (including doctors, nurses, dentists, firefighters and police), changing seasons and we will continue following their interests.

Next week, we will be recapping the sounds that the children learnt before Christmas m, a, s, d and t.

Have a brilliant weekend,

Miss Fage and the Nursery team 😊

## **Reception**

Happy New Year or as we will be learning about Chinese New Year this term, we should we say **Kung Hei Fat Choi!**

We hope you all had a restful Christmas and enjoyed some family time together. The children have come back ready and raring to go and getting on with the important job of learning. We have started to think about the New Year and making new resolutions and new promises. Some of these included

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promising to keep our bedrooms tidy or make our own beds at home. Ask your children what their new promises are and let us know how they are getting on.

Our new topic this term is called 'All Around Our World' and our main focus will be learning about China and the annual celebration of Chinese New Year. This year, it's the year of the dragon. Perhaps you could have a look at home together to find out which animal is linked to the year your child was born in.

Keep leaning those sounds, reading at home regularly and practising the weekly spellings. It really does all help your child to be confident readers, writers and communicators. We are looking forward to sharing their progress with you this term.

**PE days remain the same – Mondays and Thursdays**

**Library day – Thursdays**

**Spelling quiz – Fridays**

Thank you for your continued support and enjoy the weekend.

Mrs Rachel Lutkin-Clarke and Miss Jodi Shurey (The Reception Dream Team)

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Mrs Mason and the Futures 1 team

**Year 2**

We were so excited to welcome back all the children after what we hope has been a restful break.

We launched right back into our writing this week, as we have been composing and writing our letters to Edgar the Excitable dragon. We were so impressed with how much the children remembered and how many different writing techniques they incorporated into their work – they were an absolute delight to read!

In maths we have begun our new topic, multiplication and division, and have learnt a new mathematical symbol, **x** which means groups of . The children have practiced making these groups with different resources and counting how many there are to get their answer. To further practice at home try counting in 2's, 5's and 10's and use small objects to help them visualise these groups.

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Finally, a huge well done to both classes on the amount of reading they did over the holidays, it was wonderful to see which books they had been reading in their homework diaries – keep it up!  
We are looking forward to working with you all over the next Spring Term.

Thanks,  
The Year 2 Team

### **Year 3**

Welcome back!  
Hoping you all had a lovely Christmas and wishing you all a Happy New Year!

Even though we have only been back for two days, we have had a great start to the Spring Term.

In English, the children have shown some great prediction skills and thoughts about our new book "Escape to Pompeii". We are yet to find out the title and read the book, this will happen all happen on Monday! Our main focus these first two days back, has been thinking about we have noticed, where and when the setting is and who are the characters we can see from just looking at the front and back cover pictures . Its been amazing on how many ideas the children have predicted.

Our new Topic this Term will be What makes the earth angry? In Science we will be learning all about Rocks and Soils where we will learn about different types of rocks and the different layers of soil, some of our lessons will involve carrying out scientific investigations! Our English, Geography, Science and DT lessons will all be cross- curricular that will be deepening and extending the children's understanding and knowledge about volcanoes, mountains and earthquakes.

We have started our new Maths unit, Multiplication and Division this week. The benefits of practising their 3 times tables at home and in school has really helped the children during lessons and in their workbooks, the confidence and focus shown was a credit to them. Keep up the good work Year 3! Please keep practising at home and remember the division facts too.

Year 3 have been very lucky this term to welcome a golf specialist Wayne into school, this does mean that our PE days will now be on Monday and Friday, please make sure your child is wearing the correct PE uniform on those days.

Home Learning- Polite reminder that children should be reading for 20 mins daily (note this in homework planners and sign), practising weekly spellings, 3, 4 and 8 times tables and division facts and also accessing Home Learning on the school website.

Best Wishes  
Year 3 Team

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#### **Year 4**

Welcome back to everyone in Year 4 and we all hope you had a great Christmas and a happy New Year too. Children returned after the break as if they had never left – hungry for their learning. The Viking day was a huge success and children loved learning about all things Viking.

Looking at the term ahead children have some exciting subjects that they will be exploring. We are continuing with multiplication in maths, but we have moved onto a new book in writing, “Arthur and the Golden Rope.”

4B are starting to learn flutes this term with 4W starting their lessons in the summer term. Please continue to read with your children daily and sign the planners.

#### **Year 5**

It has been a lovely start to Spring Term 1 in Year 5 and we have started our new topic of the Pharaohs.

In Reading we have begun our new topic book 'Poppy Pym and the Pharaoh's curse' by Laura Wood and in Writing our text driver book 'Marcy and the Riddle of the Sphinx' by Joe Tod-Stanton. The children have focussed on immersing themselves in these books on our first few days back and putting themselves in Marcy's shoes and what might make her feel scared.

In Maths, we have started division looking at dividing by 10, 100 and 1000. Next week we will focus on dividing with a remainder.

We have also focussed on Vocabulary, looking at new words relating to our Egyptian topic and had fun learning the meanings of these words by using Vocabulary Bingo!

Next week, we have our Egyptian Day on Wednesday and we look forward to seeing their costumes! Please also be aware that PE days have stayed the same this term and will continue to be on a Thursday and Friday.

We hope you have a lovely weekend.

Miss Lee and Miss Condlyffe

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#### **Year 6**

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been fantastic to have the children back in school after the Christmas break, even if it has been a shortened week. This week in Year 6 has still been a very busy one! We have started out new topic of 'Blood Heart' which focusses on the circulatory system. We have been continuing looking at fractions this week in Maths, looking closely at comparing and ordering fractions.

The Year 6 team hope that you had a wonderful rest over the Christmas holidays.

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Home Learning (please ensure your child records their home learning in their diary and asks you to initial it. Diaries shall be checked every Friday).

- Reading: Daily for 20mins.
- Spelling: Practice of weekly spelling words (please see the letter handout or Google Classroom for these).
- Maths: (100 points on TT rockstars and 2x goals on Maths Tutor).

A few gentle reminders:

- Please ensure your child brings their library books and homework diaries to and from school every day.
- **Our PE days remain on Wednesday (with Coach Rob) and Friday (with class teacher).**
- Laptops need to be brought in every day fully charged.
- Our new topic for next half term is 'Blood Heart'. Please see the pre-topic handout which was sent out at the end of last term.
- The new spelling list for this term is on Google Classroom and also was sent home at the end of last term.
- We have 'You Matter' on our first full week back, covering Cyberbullying.

Due to a shorter week than normal, there are not any achievers this week.

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