



Dear Families,

It has been another exciting week here at James Oglethorpe. I would like to say a massive thank you to all of the parents who attended both my parent forum on Tuesday morning and also the Reception Read Write Inc. session on Wednesday. These opportunities to engage with families are so important and we really value all of the feedback given about some important issues. For those of you who were unable to attend, I will ensure that the next parent forum is at a different time of the day and also review how parents can raise items for the agenda which will hopefully support increased engagement.

With our Harvest Festival assembly fast approaching on Monday morning, I would also like to thank you all for your generosity in sending in food which we will send to our local food bank next week. I know it will be really appreciated and a great help to local families in need in Havering.

This week we have also celebrated Mental Health Awareness Day and it was wonderful to have so many children and adults brightening up what was an otherwise quite dreary day by wearing yellow! It is important to recognise that our mental health is as important as our physical health so please take some time over the weekend to do something which will support your own wellbeing as well as your children's. A walk in nature, some quiet time reading a book or some fun playing a board game together could all be great ways to improve your mood particularly if the sun isn't shining. Thank you for your ongoing support and I hope you all have a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Take care

Mr Fielder

Headteacher

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

16.10.24 Y1 Toy Workshop  
16.10.24 Y5 Braintree trip  
22.10.24 Y6 Residential to West Runton  
23.10.24 JOPSPA Second Hand Clothing Sale  
**Half-Term 28.10.24 – 01.11.24**  
04.11.24 All pupils return to School  
06.11.24 Parent Consultations 4:30-7pm Y1 - 6  
07.11.24 Parent Consultations 3:30-6pm Y1 - 6  
11.11.24 Parent Consultations for children with SEND 3:30-5:30

### AMAZON WISHLIST

[https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/98X98CQN2GFR?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/98X98CQN2GFR?ref=wl_share)

### SCHOOL CALENDAR

[https://jamesoglethorpe.havering.sch.uk/ev\\_ents/month/](https://jamesoglethorpe.havering.sch.uk/ev_ents/month/)

### SCHOOL DINNER MENU

<https://haveringcatering.co.uk/schooldata/test-the-james-oglethorpe-primary/>

### SCHOOL UNIFORM

[https://jamesoglethorpe.havering.sch.uk/par\\_ents/school-uniform/](https://jamesoglethorpe.havering.sch.uk/par_ents/school-uniform/)

Attendance % SQ 99, 1BM & 1S 92, 2M 97,  
3BH 95, 4FM 99, 5C & 5H 99, 6B 95 overall 96%

## FREE Upcoming Virtual HEST Workshop (Weds 23rd October 2024 6-7pm via MS Teams)

We have a free upcoming HEST online workshop that we hope would be useful to parents:

- **Emotional Regulation in Children** workshop (Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 6-7pm via *MS Teams*)

**To register for a ticket**, please visit our [Eventbrite](#) page and apply. Though we are at capacity, any and all who are on the waitlist will receive tickets.

## Schoolcomms New number

Schoolcomms number will be changing from 01708300583 to 07507284019 on 11th October 2024.  
This is not the school number.

## Buzzer at the pedestrian gate

Can we remind parents to not allow their children to push the buzzer after school. Recently we have seen an increase in the buzzer being pushed and children shouting down the intercom.

## Reception need your help

We are slowly running out of socks in the Reception classes, any donations would be greatly received.

## New Dinner Menu

Attached to this Newsletter is the new menu that will start after the half-term, week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> November. Please remember that all pupils in Primary School receive the 'MAYOR'S MEALS FREE School Meals for all Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 pupil'. If your child has not had a school meal before then the attached menu may be a good chance to go through and see if they would like to try a particular day. Lunches can be booked from home via ParentPay.

## JOPSPA Race Night and Wreath Making informaion

Thank you to all those that turned up to support JOPSPA's first Race Night. The Gold Cup Race was a particularly exciting moment of the night with the auction of a golden hamper and we are pleased to announce we raised £800 profit. What a great success!

Don't forget the **Wreath Making** bookings are open, **click here to book:**  
<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/jops-pa/?event=login&notLoggedIn=true&>