

# John F. Kennedy Primary School

## The Buzz Newsletter



Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

**World Book Day:** Yesterday, we had a great day to celebrate World Book Day. The whole school used the book 'Milo's Monster' as a basis for the day, which focused on the feeling of jealousy and the green-eyed monster. From finding footprints and clues on the yard as the pupils arrived, through to work based on feelings, everyone had an immersive day. Please have a look at our Facebook page for photos and videos of the day.

**Brass Day:** On Wednesday, our talented brass players from KS2, joined pupils from other schools to take part in a brass workshop, organised by Sunderland Music Hub and Houghton Area Youth Band. During the day, they had the opportunity to work in small groups to learn 4 pieces of music. Once practised, they then joined together to create a brass band of around 40 players. Thank you to any parents who were able to attend the short concert in the afternoon, because this is the reason why we promote music in school – the chance to perform for others.



**Cycling:** This week, pupils from Mrs Fort's class have had the opportunity to take part in Bikeability level 1 and level 2 training. They have been taught how to ride their bike safely on the road. Next week, it will be the turn of Miss Newsome's class to take part in the training.

**JFK Superstar:** Well done to Dixie (year 2) for achieving her first belt in kickboxing this week! This is an amazing achievement, and I can't wait to hear about continued success!



**Attendance:** This week, our overall attendance is 95.07% and the class with the best attendance is 5DF with a fantastic 98.93%!

**House Points:** The winning house this week, with the most points, was Swan. Congratulations!

**Comic Relief:** Next Friday, the school will be taking part in Red Nose Day. Pupils are invited to wear red clothing for the day. We will not be collecting donations at school, however if you would like to make a voluntary donation directly to Comic Relief, you can use this link: <https://donation.comicrelief.com/cart/1YsYOwm2pHZgBUhWr8ZL13>

**Easter Raffle:** We have an egg-cellent hamper up for grabs in our Easter raffle. Tickets can be purchased via the Payments Item section on ParentPay.



**Spanish Day:** On Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April we will be celebrating Spanish Language Day. We invite children to come to school dressed in red, yellow (or both) clothing. Throughout the day, children will take part in a wide range of activities linked to the Spanish language.

**PE Lessons:** Children can wear their PE kit to school on the day. This should be a plain white t-shirt, black jogging bottoms/leggings and trainers. At this time of year, PE is generally in the hall however depending on the weather we may still have opportunities to go on the yard or field so please ensure your child has a jumper or jacket with them.

Week Commencing 11 <sup>th</sup> March		
Day	Morning	Afternoon
Monday	Year 1 Year 4 Swimming	Year 6
Tuesday	Treehouse	Year 2
Wednesday		RAM/RSC
Thursday	Year 3	Year 5 (5RN)
Friday	Nursery	Year 4 5DF Swimming

**Forest School:** Please send your child into school dressed appropriately for their session – long sleeves and trousers, wellies and a waterproof coat if possible. Forest School still takes place when raining, and we don't want children sitting in class with wet clothes, so it would be useful to provide spare clothing/shoes on the day.

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Monday	3MS	RSC
Tuesday		Year 4
Wednesday	Treehouse	
Thursday		RAM
Friday	1AP	Nursery

**Football:** On Tuesday evening, the girls' football team resumed their league campaign with games against Wessington and Biddick, while debuting their new kit. The first game of the night was a tight contest against league leaders, Wessington. The team started strongly and showed brilliant determination from the first whistle, Lily W caused havoc for the defenders throughout the first half. JFK took the lead through an own goal but Wessington were able to quickly equalise. Deep into the second half, a ball from Ella-Mae R split open the opponent's defence to find Holly R, who rifled the ball into the bottom corner. Brilliant defending from Lucy H, Ella W and Amelia T prevented any attacks and secured a 2-1 win.



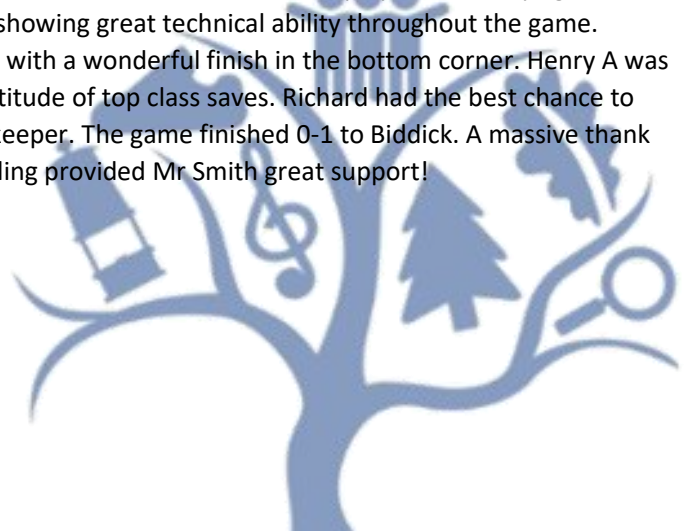
The second game of the evening was against Biddick. Biddick had the best of the chances in the first half, breaking through on goal, however, were denied by a wonderful save from Darcy G. JFK dominated the rest of the game, creating chance after chance but could not find a way to break the deadlock. Amelia T saw an effort hit the bar late on as the game ended 0-0. The girl's team maintain their unbeaten league season going into the final five fixtures. Well done to everyone who played!

On Thursday, after some issues with their intended scheduled game, the school football team played a friendly against Biddick. This was a brilliant display of football, with both teams showing great technical ability throughout the game. Biddick were able to score the opener on the stroke of half time with a wonderful finish in the bottom corner. Henry A was able to keep the score at 0-1 in the second half producing a multitude of top class saves. Richard had the best chance to equalise but his effort was stopped superbly by the opposition keeper. The game finished 0-1 to Biddick. A massive thank you to the parents for last night – your patience and understanding provided Mr Smith great support!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mr B Adams  
Head of School





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# Stars of the Week

Year Group	Class	Star of the Week
Nursery	NAO	Jaxon L Dre A
Reception	RSC/BG	Clara T Rebecca S
	RAM	Chloe W Hannah H
One	1AP	David S Jude B
	1ES	Jake A Freya T
Two	2FM	Dexter E Grace L
	2IT	George H Ethan M
Three	3MS	Olivia O Hatty C
	3JW	Sophie J-H Lilith P
Four	4AF	Rosie B Mia W
	4BK	Demi-Leigh B Amelie S
Five	5RN	Lennox B Georgia T
	5DF	Melody D Evie J
Six	6PP	Holly R Sam M
	6LM	Jessica C Louie M
The Treehouse	TSK TNP	Dylan C Luka

