



FCJ Primary School

Summer 2024

Excellence



Excellence is an inclusive value in an FCJ School, incorporated in every aspect of school life and living. We set the highest possible standards in supporting each other as we strive to achieve our personal best; to become what we aspire to be.



On Wednesday 10th July the Year 4 children came to school dressed in their own clothes to celebrate how successfully they have worked as a team within their own classrooms. Not only was this a day to wear their own clothes but also an opportunity for them to demonstrate their FCJ Core Values by raising money for the G Hoareau Legacy fund. We are pleased to announce that they have raised a total of £121.00 to support this cause which is close the hearts of all of us at FCJ.

Pre-school & Reception Beach trip!

Pre School and Reception enjoyed a day at St Brelades beach. The children made sandcastles, buried their toes and dug lots of holes! We had a yummy picnic lunch and finished the day off with a refreshing ice lolly and a story. A fun day was had by all!



Year 1 Discover The Woods



Year 1 enjoyed their end of year trip to St.Saviours woods this week. The children walked down and explored the woods, looking for different bugs and trees. They enjoyed looking for different objects using their scavenger hunt checklist. We thoroughly enjoyed our final trip in Year 1 especially building dens!



Olympics Year 2

Year 2 have really enjoyed learning about the Olympics during the last week of term. We learnt about sports that have been part of the Olympics over the years and the new sports that are now included this year. We created our own opening ceremony dance and learnt about the celebrations that happen.



Year 2 were extremely pleased with their medals that they designed. We took examples of previous years medals as our inspiration to create our very own.

Year 4

Hive Hackers



Year 4 children have spent some time learning about the importance of coding in everyday situations. They have enjoyed working through various games, ordering instructions to form an algorithm enabling a programme to run successfully. They have developed their problem-solving skills, through debugging, to ensure a programme runs without a glitch. We have followed the PWC Hive Hackers scheme and the children were delighted to receive a certificate celebrating their success.

SWIM SAFETY

Year 5 were invited to Harve Des Pas to take part in a 'Swim Safe' workshop about swimming safely in Jersey waters. The Swim Safe program teaches the children about the water safety flags and signs, benefits of wearing appropriate swimming suits and swimming hats, the dangers of swimming in cold water and what to do if you find yourself in an emergency. Thank you to all the parent helpers that helped on the trip!



Dear Parents and Guardians

As we draw another incredible year at FCJ to a close, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to all our dedicated pupils, staff, and parents. This year has been marked by countless achievements, and it is truly a pleasure to reflect on our collective successes.

Throughout the year, we have created many special memories together at various school events. These moments are cherished and are a true reflection of the strong partnership between parents and school staff. Your involvement and support have been invaluable, and we couldn't have accomplished what we have without you.

To our pupils, especially our Year 6 leavers, you have been a joy to teach and watch grow over your primary school years. We will miss you dearly, but we are confident that you are well-prepared for the exciting challenges ahead. Good luck in secondary Y6, and please let us know how you are getting on!

We also bid farewell to some cherished members of our school staff. We extend our most sincere best wishes to Mrs. O'Neill as she embarks on her retirement, following an amazing 40 years of loyal service to the children of FCJ Primary School. To Miss Gillham as she commences her new journey in the finance sector, and to Mr. Douse as he transfers to his new role as reception teacher at St Saviour's School. Your contributions have been hugely significant, and you will all be greatly missed by the extended FCJ Family.

To the wonderful FCJ staff, I am so grateful for your continued professionalism, hard work, companionship, and all you do for the children in our care. It is a great privilege to work alongside such dedicated and inspiring educators. The outstanding success of our recent school inspection is a testament to the hard work and commitment of everyone in our school community, but most especially to our school staff. Thank you for your unwavering belief, loyalty, support and dedication.

It is so important to highlight and acknowledge the incredible work of our PSA Committee. Mrs Falla (PSA Chair) Mrs Hyde, Mrs Johnson, Mrs Cowsill, Ms Le Barz, Mrs Brady, Mr Guegan and Mr Longstaffe, have all worked tirelessly, throughout the year. often juggling multiple responsibilities, to bring exciting, and very memorable events to our school calendar. I would encourage all parents to consider joining the PSA or volunteering for future events, as every little bit of support helps, and makes such a difference in creating memorable experiences for our children. The PSA Committee exemplify the spirit of our school community, and their hard work makes such a significant and positive impact to each and every child in our school.

As we look forward to the new academic year, I am filled with optimism and excitement for what lies ahead. Thank you once again for your support, and I wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer break.

In the words of Pope Francis, "Education is an act of love; it is giving life." May we continue to give life and love to our school community in the years to come."

Kindest regards,

Ms Lenzi

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First Holy Communion

The First Holy Communion Mass was held on Saturday 8th June, with a total of 19 pupils receiving the Sacrament for the first time. The Mass, celebrated by Father Edward, was a beautiful celebration for the children and their families. This is the second year we have held our First Holy Communion Mass at Our Lady's Church, and the setting once again provided a beautiful setting and created an intimate, family feel to the occasion. We were delighted to welcome back Mrs Ó hEarchaí from parental leave to support the children with their final preparations and to provide the piano accompaniment during the Mass. It was once again a privilege for the staff choir to sing as the children received communion.



Headteacher's Award June



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to all the pupils who have received this award.

We are very proud of you all!



Resolution IT

KS2 entered a Digital competition to design a mode of transport for the company Resolution IT. This is our second year entering this competition. We were extremely proud of all the entries that KS2 created and we have some fabulous inventors at FCJ.



In July, FCJ held an award ceremony for the winners and both Racquel (Year 4) and Alex (Year 6) were winners in their category. We loved the girl's designs and so did the company! A huge congratulations to you both!

The school were also awarded £500 for being the school with the most entries! Wow! We are so impressed and very excited to see what we can purchase for the school. Miss Whitt and the Digital Leaders will share with you what we decide to purchase next academic year.



PUPIL OF THE MONTH



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Our Past Pupils



In May, some of our past pupils were selected to play for the island in the Jersey Under 17 basketball team. They competed against Guernsey and beat them to take home the winners medals. Congratulations to the team. We are really proud of them all.

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Parent/Guardian Support

Outside Agency Support available to parents/guardians

Wellbeing Team and Educational Psychologist Team Helpline
Parents/guardians can seek advice from the Wellbeing and Educational Psychologists Consultation Line, operated every Wednesday between 12:30pm and 3:30pm term time only:

www.gov.je/health/coronavirus/educationchildcare/pages/psychologywellbeingservicecoronavirusresponse.aspx

Children and Families Hub

Parents/guardians can seek advice from the Children and Families Hub:

www.gov.je/Caring/ChildrenAndFamiliesHub/pages/childrenandfamilieshubhomepage.aspx

Triple P – Positive Parenting Programme

Parenting Support Services work in conjunction with the Family Support Workers in Primary and Secondary schools across the island, to deliver the Triple P (Positive Parenting Programme).

Triple P aims to help parents and carers of children up to 12 years and teenagers up to 18. They also deliver a programme for parents and carers of children with special needs. Triple P programmes can also be delivered in Portuguese.

Triple P Positive Parenting helps you:

- raise happy, confident children and teenagers
- manage behaviour in a positive way
- set family rules and routines that everyone follows
- get along better with your children or teenagers
- balance work and family without stress

The current timetable of events is detailed and is frequently updated on

www.gov.je/Caring/Organisations/Pages/TriplePProgramme.aspx

If you would like to attend one of these events, please email

parentingadmin@gov.je

Jersey Online Directory

www.jod.je/kb5/jersey/directory/home.page

The Bridge Child and Family Care

www.jod.je/kb5/jersey/directory/service.page?id=PJg2SEJEjFg

MIND Jersey

www.gov.je/Caring/Organisations/Pages/MindJersey.aspx

Youth Enquiry Service (YES)

www.yes.je/about

YES – Wellbeing drop-in

www.yes.je/wellbeing-drop-in

Parent/Guardian Support

Do you have an anxious child?

Follow the link below for some useful guidance on helping your child overcome anxieties:

www.childmind.org/article/what-to-do-and-not-do-when-children-are-anxious

www.blogs.psychcentral.com/stress-better/2016/03/49-phrases-to-calm-an-anxious-child/

Self Esteem

Is your child having problems with self esteem? Try following this link which gives some useful advice to parents:

www.familylives.org.uk/advice/primary/health-and-development/helping-your-child-build-self-esteem/

Parental Advice for Anger Management

Help with those 'hot feelings' - some tips and information for parents about managing anger in children:

www.scholastic.com/parents/resources/article/praise-discipline/anger-management-children



PE 2024

This year we have had a great year of PE, we have been participating in even more competitions bringing home even more medals and awards.

The year started with us retaining the Marathon Mile cup, followed by some cross county. The football team had a difficult year but ended on a high winning games and getting increasingly better. At the Athletics championships we brought home yet more medals after an excellent event which preceded the amazing accomplishment of the girls' Gaelic football team bringing home the trophy. Finally, the sun shone on our 3 sports days helping us to have to amazing events. Many thanks to all the pupils, staff and parents who helped and support FCJ PE this year.





Sit up.



Listen.



**Ask & answer
questions.**



Nod your head.



**Track the
speaker.**