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Friday 7th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I have been very impressed with our Reception classes this week. They are learning a poem a week (called Poetry Basket). Last week, I received a ticket as an invitation to go and watch their first performance. The children remembered the poem and said it aloud with such excitement! Our Senior Advisor from the Education Department was visiting school and watched the performance! Today, the Reception children taught the two new poems they have learnt in assembly to the rest of Key Stage 1 to celebrate National Poetry Day.

Caring Cooks – Hot Lunch

Do you receive Income Support? If so, you are eligible to receive free school meals. Please send some proof of income support to flourish@caringcooksofjersey.com and we can organise delicious and nutritious hot meals, for free!

Full details can be found on Caring Cooks website:

<https://www.caringcooksofjersey.com>



Parking and our Car Park Area

Our school gates open at 8.30am to welcome parents and children into school. Staff are on duty from 8.30am - please do not arrive before this time.

Every Thursday after school is Key Stage 2 netball training. We will use the netball court in the school car park from 3:10pm to 4pm as the astro is unavailable due to football training. If you are parking on the right side of the car park, as you drive in, please ensure your car is moved by 3:10pm, so that we can start netball safely and on the full court. Please can we also remind parents to drive slowly in the car park and roads nearby to school.

Jersey Sport

Jersey Sport will be offering a range of cycling activities across all age groups throughout October half term for primary aged children. At the very bottom of this newsletter, there are full details and links to book all courses.

Jersey Sport would like to highlight the importance of encouraging as many Year 4 and 5 children who cannot yet pedal a bike to sign up to the Learn to Ride courses to give them the best opportunity to participate in the Bikeability Level 1 course with their class which is delivered during the school day.

Term Dates

You can find the term dates by following the link below. Please note that half term starts at the finish of school on Thursday 20th October (children are not at school on Friday 21st October).

<https://www.gov.je/Education/Schools/SchoolLife/pages/termdates.aspx>

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, comments or queries. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Jenny Posner

Headteacher

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Jersey Sport October Half Term Cycling Courses-

Balance Bikes @ Les Quennevais Basketball Courts

FREE Drop In Session (Ages 2-4): Our balance bike drop-in sessions provide a safe, traffic-free environment for riders to explore at their own pace. Parents / guardians can guide their little one's around our obstacle course with guidance from trained staff who will be on hand to help. There is no booking required for this course.

[2022 Balance Bikes - Age 2-4 Years • Jersey Sport](#)

Balance Bikes Class (Reception-Y1): Our balance bike sessions encourage your child to develop the basic balance skills involved with riding whilst having fun in a safe and traffic free environment. Riders will play games which will help them to improve their balance, steering, control and spatial awareness in preparation for learning to pedal.

[2022 Balance Bikes - Reception - Year 1 \(School Year\) • Jersey Sport](#)

Learn To Ride @ D'Auvergne School Playground

Learn to Ride (Years 1-6): Jersey Sport will be offering FREE 'Learn to Ride' sessions for children who cannot yet pedal a bike independently. The courses are offered for all year groups, to help increase the number of children who will be able to access our Bikeability programmes in the future. Please note, children must be able to pedal a bike independently to access the Bikeability Level 1 course in Year 5 through school.

[2022 LEARN TO RIDE \(3 Day Course\) - Yr 1-2 / 3-4 / 5+ • Jersey Sport](#)

Confidence Booster Sessions @ D'Auvergne School Playground

Confidence Booster Sessions (Years 3-5): This course is aimed at children who can pedal their bikes independently but lack confidence when cornering, controlling their speed and stopping with control. It aims to boost riders' confidence and control including looking behind and taking their hands off the handlebars. This course is aimed to be a 'preparation' for the Bikeability Level 1 course for children who lack confidence in their cycling skills but can already pedal their bikes.

[Learn to Ride - Confidence Booster Sessions - School Years 3-5 \(3 day course\) • Jersey Sport](#)

Bikeability Level 1 @ FB Fields

Bikeability Level 1 (Year 4+): The Bikeability Level 1 course aims to develop mastery in cycle handling in a traffic free environment and prepare riders for cycling on the road. Please note riders will only cycle on the road in Bikeability Levels 2 and 3. We encourage any children who achieved a 'working towards' for their Level 1 in school to sign up for this course to have another chance at achieving this qualification.

[2022 Bikeability - Level 1- School Years 4+ • Jersey Sport](#)

Bikeability Level 1&2 Combined @ Les Quennevais

Bikeability Level 1&2 Combined (Year 6+): This course combines the Bikeability level 1 and 2 syllabuses to allow those who have not yet undertaken the level 1 but are ready to take on the challenge of level 2 the opportunity to participate. This course is aimed at competent, confident riders who may have missed out on the Level 1 course within school.

[2022 Bikeability - Level 1 & 2 Combined \(3 Day Course\) - School Years 6+ • Jersey Sport](#)

Bikeability Level 2 @ Les Quennevais

Bikeability Level 2 (Year 6+): Any students who have successfully passed Bikeability Level 1 within school, will be able to access the Bikeability Level 2 course this half term. The Level 2 course teaches children how to safely position themselves when riding on the road as well as navigating simple roads and junctions. This is the equivalent to the previous 'Cycling Proficiency'.

[2022 Bikeability - Level 2 ONLY \(3 Day Course\) - School Years 6+ • Jersey Sport](#)

Bike and Helmet Loans-

Jersey Sport have a small fleet of bikes and helmets available for loan to use on our various cycling courses. If you would like to borrow a bike and/or helmet, please email CycleTeam@JerseySport.je with your child's height and inside leg length in cm to arrange this AFTER a course booking has been made.

For additional information about any of our holiday programmes, please contact chloe.bougourd@jerseysport.je.

Kind Regards,

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