

A message from Mr. Marshall:

Dear parents/guardians,

It's beginning to look like Christmas.....It is hard to believe that December is here, the weather is slowly turning and we will be saying goodbye to 2018 in a few weeks. However at Dame Janet it is full steam ahead.

Christmas trees are up, both at lower and upper, Christmas hoops are decorating each hall, production and concert rehearsals are in full swing and all the time children are working hard in English, Maths and Project lessons.

A letter went home last week with all the Christmas events that we are doing this year. Please keep that to hand so you don't miss any key dates. We look forward to seeing you in the school soon.

Unfortunately, I have to repeat what I said last month: parking is an ongoing issue outside every school. Can I ask people that drive to think twice about where you park. Please respect our community and park safely. I hope it doesn't, but one of these days there will be an accident. A child nearly got hit by a car on Friday. Banners have been clearly displayed by the school gates but the wording is ignored by a few. Please don't let it be you behind the wheel who has caused an accident. One of our biggest parking problems at DJPA is the few who choose to park on the path (especially outside our Sterling Road entrance). Let's start to lead the way amongst all Thanet Schools and park sensibly, even if it means parking slightly further away and walking the last distance.

I continue to plan to be at the lower site on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday and the upper site on Tuesday and Thursday so I look forward to seeing you on the playground then.

Mr Marshall

Head of School

Anti- bullying

Last week we celebrated Anti Bullying Week by looking at different ways of being kind. We started the week with an assembly in which children were made aware of the effects of bullying, and what to do if they, or someone they know is being bullied. We also have a new kindness board, which children and adults can use to display 'shout outs' to members of the DJPA community who have shown kindness to them. Every class added their own representation of kindness to the board, which is located next to the ICT suite. Each child has been given an anti-bullying flyer which we would urge you to read with your child, in order to ensure kindness continues at Dame Janet.



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Achievement

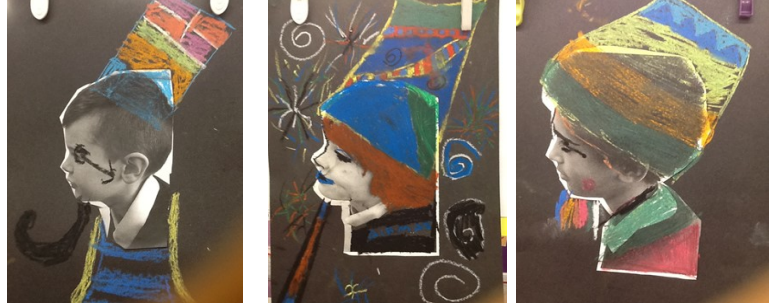
This term we invited parents and carers to come into class, so our children could share their achievements. In year 5 we have been learning about Ancient Egypt. In class, the children cracked the hieroglyphic code and were able to master the numeral system.

We explored how to mummify a deceased body but also the importance of why this was done.

We shared all this knowledge with parents during the open afternoon.

On the day, the children showed off their art skills and created some amazing ancient Egyptian art.

Here are a few examples, we think they're great!



Year 3

Year 3 have had a great start to term two! We have been learning about the nativity story, learning about different type of rocks and even adopted our own pet rocks that could be over 480 million years old! We have had a fantastic week in the build up to Christmas creating our mobiles and getting ready for our Christmas production, which is on the 12th of December. We have seen excellent writing this term and the children really enjoyed writing their journey stories. In the coming weeks we will be becoming newspaper reporters and help Mr. Evans track down his stolen Christmas tree!



Diary Dates

December 2018

- 7th Nursery Christmas production
- 10th Yrs 1 & 2 Christmas Production
- 11th Yr R Christmas Production
- 12th Yr 3 Christmas Production
- 13th Yrs 4 & 5 Christmas Production
- 14th Yr 6 Christmas Production
- 17th Christmas Disco
- 19th **END OF TERM 2**

January 2019

- 3rd **START OF TERM 3**
- 18th Around the World Day
- 22nd Dame Janet's Birthday

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