MJPS NEWSLETTER



Headteacher's message

Welcome to a new school year at Mosaic; I hope you all had a fantastic summer break! Whether you are returning or joining us for the first time, we are thrilled to have you as part of our Mosaic family. We're excited about the year ahead and look forward to working together to create a positive, engaging, and enriching learning environment for all our pupils.

The children have impressed me this week with how quickly they've settled into their new classes and are already extremely focused on their learning. A special well-done to our Reception class who have settled into routines brilliantly.

New Staff

I would like to warmly welcome our new staff, Miss Cvikotova (Year 2 class teacher), Miss Downes (Year 5 class teacher), Mr Pinkney (Year 3 learning support assistant) and Coach Steve (Year 2 teaching assistant and PE coach) to our school community and its great to see how well you have all settled in to life at Mosaic.

Uniform

It was lovely to see the children returning to school in their smart school uniforms. Please can I remind parents and carers that the following is **not** part of our school uniform policy:

- Casual trainers on non PE days (white or black trainers to be worn for PE)
- Nail polish/gel nails
- Jewellery that does not hold religious significance
- · Earrings that are not studs

As we approach the colder months, please ensure your children are appropriately dressed and have a waterproof coat with them.

Meet the teacher

It was great to see so many parents attend our virtual meet the teacher meetings this week. We look forward to seeing our Upper School parents and carers at next weeks meetings

Tuesday 17th September - Year 4 Wednesday 18th September - Year 5 Thursday 19th September - Year 6



Physical Education

We are delighted to announce that we, Mosaic Jewish Primary School, have achieved the School Games Silver Mark Award for the 2023/24 academic year. The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

With a total of over 100 young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible. As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

Attendance

As you will have seen in the national news, good school attendance and punctuality are hugely important for children's learning. Please ensure you do not take your child out of school during term time and make sure they are in school every day, unless they are ill. All children should be in school; our school target is 96%. Throughout the year, children and classes will receive certificates for attendance.

98-100%	Excellent – children are accessing all learning opportunities
96-97%	Good – Very few learning opportunities are missed
	Risk of underachievement
94-95%	• Up to 10 schools absent in an academic year
	High risk of underachievement
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92-93%	Up to 15 school days absent in the academic year
	Severe risk of underachievement
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90-91%	• Up to 19 school days absent in the academic year
	Extreme risk of underachievement
<90%	Upwards of 22 days absent in the academic year

Homework

Please see information shared during the meet the teacher meetings.

Homework will be set on Tuesday and returned on Monday

Reading – Please ensure your child is reading each day and they bring their book to school.

Children will receive a reading homework book where parents can record reading at home and children can note down homework for the week.



Spellings – Weekly spellings will be shared on **Seesaw**.

We ask that children use a variety of methods to learn these spellings as they may not all benefit from using the same method.

Some popular methods: Look, Cover, Write and Check. Spelling sentences. Spelling Bee quiz.

This homework does not need to be evidenced as progress and retention will be checked through dictation activities in class at the end of the week and writing activities throughout the week. This year, for homework, the school have invested in CGP books. They are popular with both primary and secondary students for consolidation and revision. Please ensure your child only completes the pages set for homework as these books will be used throughout the year. We will be using:



Please note, that if these homework books are lost, parents will be asked to purchase replacements directly via the website www.cgpbooks.co.uk. If you need to purchase a replacement, please email your class teacher who will provide you with a link to the relevant books.

Clubs

Homework Genies

If you would like support with your child's homework, don't forget to register on Arbor for the **Home Work Genies** lunch time club that takes place during Thursday lunch time each week.

Guitar Lessons

We are excited to welcome Guitar Club London to Mosaic. There are a limited number of spaces left for any children in year 3 - 6 who would like to sign up for the after school club on Tuesday from 3.30pm - 4.30pm. Please book directly with the company on diegofardel@gmail.com or at www.guitarclublondon.com

Jeans for Jeans day

The Jeans for Genes campaign raises awareness of the daily challenges faced by those living with a genetic condition and raises money to fund projects that make a tangible difference to the lives of those affected.

Most importantly, the campaign:

- brings together the genetic condition community in order to make a loud noise about the issues that matter to them
- shines a light on the organisations that work tirelessly to improve the lives of affected individuals
- and celebrates the achievements of those living with a genetic condition.

If your child would like to support Jeans for Genes day, we request a donation of £1 be brought to school in return for wearing jeans on Friday 20th September.

I hope you all have a great weekend.

Miss Garbrah

Admin

Arbor

Please can we ask all parents to ensure that they register and log in to Arbor, our school system. This is where parents and carers can book **school trips**, **wraparound care**, **after school clubs** and update yours and your child's **details**. All parents must check that **contact information**, **dietary requirements**, **medical information**, **permissions** and **all information** we have is up-to-date and correct. If it is not, please update it on the app. This information is imperative to ensure that we are able to fully meet the needs of every child.

Thank you to all of the parents who have reached out for support with any technical Arbor issues. We are aware that there are some parents who continue to have problems with the app. We are working with Arbor to resolve these issues. Please ensure that you contact admin@mjps.org.uk if you have any problems.

School Lunches

To ensure that Harrisons are up-to-date with any allergies or dietary needs, please can you complete the form linked below and return it to the main office. We will then share the information with the catering team. The full process including the form for parents can be found here:

Allergen form and process

Government Tax Free Childcare Account

If you use the Tax Free Childcare Account, please make sure that you email **admin@mjps.org.uk** with your child's TFC number, the total amount you have sent and a clear breakdown of how much is to be allocated to different clubs, e.g. Ballet £20, ASC £50, Breakfast club £20. This will ensure that we can correctly add the funds to your Arbor account.

If you are using TFC for wraparound care, you are unable to book unless you have funds in Arbor account. Please allow 48 hours to be allocated once you have emailed the office.

If you would like to find out if you are eligible to use the TFCA, please click the link below.

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Many thanks,

The Admin Team

