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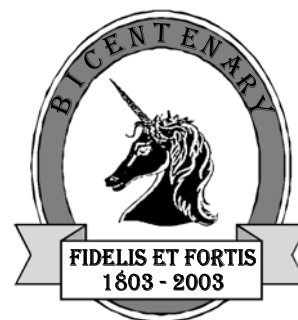
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Dear Parent

New Smart Boards!

I am delighted to inform parents that we will be installing 3 new Smart Boards into **1A, 2A and 3B** next week. This will mean that every pupil at JGPS has access to this fantastic piece of technology that really enhances learning and teaching. A big thank you to all the parents and families of Gillespie's children who helped raise the money for them at our Sponsored Run last term.

Edinburgh Woodcraft Powerpod School Visit for P4-P7

As part of our ongoing Eco Warrior work I arranged for the Powerpod team to visit the school last Wednesday and Thursday for P4 to P7. This is a mobile educational tool that provides exhibitions on renewable energies. It is delivered by young people for young people. The Edinburgh Woodcraft Folk Powerpod provides an interactive and fun introduction to renewable energies and the climate change challenge and how this links us to the wider world. The children had the opportunity to have some hands on experience in a variety of group activities; including Global Climate Changers, Energy bike, Solar Sleuths and Wind Power. I hope that the children shared their exciting ideas with you at home. **Natalie Borrowman**

JGPS PTA Walking Bus.

The Wednesday walking bus is looking for new member families. It runs every Wednesday morning starting at the junction of Charterhall Rd and West Saville Terrace. If you live in the south of the catchment area or beyond, and can help out regularly (every second or third Wednesday morning) then please get in touch. Training is provided for helpers, and hi-viz vests for the children. For more details or an application form please contact Cherry at cherryedlie@blueyonder.co.uk or tel. 667 4813

P1 Family Lunch- 11th September and Curriiculum Evening- 10th September

P1 parents should receive a separate letter about these events. We hope many of you will be able to attend.

P7 Abernethy Information Evening – Thursday 2nd September 6.30-7.30

We hope many of our P7 parents will be able to come along tomorrow evening and hear about Abernethy camp. There will be an opportunity for you to find out what experiences your child will have at camp and how you can help prepare them.

Yours sincerely

Anthea Grierson

Head Teacher