



August e-bulletin

Welcome to our first monthly e-bulletin of the new school year.

It has been a successful start to the session, and we very much enjoyed welcoming new and existing pupils to school on the 16th of August.

Our day 1 assemblies with secondary gave us an opportunity to convey our congratulations to seniors who excelled in this year's SQA exams. We also complimented all pupils on the standard of school uniform, which is excellent this year.

In June, we said goodbye to many long-serving members of staff who are now enjoying their retirement or new roles. We therefore welcomed many new staff to our school and look forward to them becoming known to pupils and parents over the coming months.

Please save the date for Jordanhill School's AGM on Tuesday 19th September. Due to the school's unique status, we need to hold an AGM and we need parents to attend the AGM. We deliberately keep business brief at the AGM (normally 30mins) and organise parent workshops beforehand to encourage parents to attend. We will send out a dedicated AGM-Parent Conference bulletin soon. For now, please do save the date and time as detailed below.

I hope your child has settled-in well to the routines of school and I look forward to seeing you at school events this term.

Best wishes for 23-24,
John Anderson
Rector



Jordanhill School

Save the date: Tuesday 19 Sept

AGM and Parent Conference 2023



We need your support!

Parent Conference 6-7pm

AGM 7-7.30pm

Please come along and support your school at our **Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 19th**

September at 7pm in the school hall. All parents are members of Jordanhill School company and are warmly invited to our AGM which will last around 30minutes.

Come along and hear from the Rector who will give a short presentation about Jordanhill School's successes and challenges and will highlight some of our plans for 2023 onwards.

Our AGMs are short, informative and are necessary for the operation of the school. The formal paperwork associated with the AGM and the official invitation to all parent members can be found on our website:

AGM 2023

Your support is greatly appreciated.

We will have our annual **Parent Conference** at 6pm prior to the AGM. Workshop details and a sign-up form will be sent soon.

Friday 15th September: PTA Family Night 2023

**JORDANHILL SCHOOL PTA
FAMILY FUN NIGHT!**

Activities included w/ ticket
Silent Disco
Bouncy Slide
Sports Games
Balloon modelling

Additional
Hot food
Popcorn
Slushies
Face painting
Candy Floss
Cake @ No.8
Licensed bar

**Friday 15th September
6-9pm**

Raising funds for the Primary Playground Project & S6 charity

Our PTA Family Fun Night is on Friday 15th September with lots of fun attractions, food and drinks as shown in the flyer. Please join us for what is sure to be a brilliant evening.

Tickets are available on ParentPay

Jordanhill PTA is a group of parents and teachers who raise money to support the school through a series of annual events. We welcome parents of both primary and secondary pupils and are completely volunteer run. The work of the PTA benefits all the children in the school, and we raise a lot of money!

We would love to have you as part of our PTA. Should you like any more information about taking part or volunteering, please feel free to contact the Chair, Gail Lappin, Email: pta@jordanhill.glasgow.sch.uk

Captaincy Team 23-24

We are pleased to announce that the following pupils have been appointed to our S6 Captaincy team:



Captains: Ruth Thomson and Angus Happell

Senior Vice-Captains: Alexander Thomson and Chrissie Francis

Vice-Captains: Gregor Hartley, Owen Osude, Anna Hazard and Olivia Melrose

Thank you to all S6 pupils who put themselves forward for the captaincy team and to all staff and

pupils who took part in the captaincy elections. We wish the new S6 team well as they plan and lead events for all pupils over the coming year.

Staffing

May and June were busy recruitment months for the school as we planned for summer retirements, promotions, and colleagues moving to new posts in other schools. We are delighted to welcome our new teachers who started with us in August:

Catherine Williamson – Primary
Rebecca Amer – Primary
Shahad Majid – Primary
Yvonne Berenguer – Art & Design
Zoe Shaw – Business
Laura Rashed – Chemistry
Shannon Adair – History
Lauren Stuart – Home Economics
Hannah Gault – English
Hanbo Guan – Mandarin
Zitong Yang- Mandarin Assistant
Johnathan Love - Maths
Dominic Boland – PE



School holidays and term dates update

The board of managers approved our term dates for **2024-25** at their August meeting.

Please note that the August re-start date for **August 2024** is different from the date which we, and local authorities, proposed and published this time last year. This is due to a change made to local authority holiday dates. As a school, we do our best to mirror the local authority holidays as many parents have children in both Jordanhill and local authority schools. The new August 2024 re-start date for pupils is Wednesday 14th August 2024.



Term dates

2023 Holidays coming up

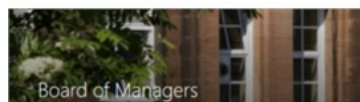
September weekend: School is closed to pupils on Friday 22nd and Monday 25th September.

October break: We are closed to pupils on Friday 13th October (in-service day) and Monday 16th to Friday 20th October, with pupils returning to school on Monday 23rd October.

School Calendar

Board of Managers: August meeting

A brief summary of the August board meeting is shown below. This brief summary is designed to offer parents an insight into the main items discussed. The detailed minutes will be approved at the next meeting and posted on the school's website [here](#).



School progress : The board discussed and approved the school's annual report which will be presented to members at the AGM. In addition, board members engaged in discussion about the positive results from the whole school surveys and the excellent 2023 SQA exam results. Members discussed items for improvement emerging from pupil, parent and staff survey feedback.

Admissions: Board members reviewed and updated the admission regulations as part of the annual review and update of admission regulations.

Staffing: The Rector detailed changes to school staffing including new staff who started with us in August.

Estate: The school has invested in extensive electrical upgrades in the North Campus including new LED lighting for the Astro as part of energy saving measures. Board members engaged in discussion about proposals to change Chamberlain Road, as detailed below.

Proposals to change Chamberlain Road

Proposed changes to the street environment on Chamberlain Road have been unveiled. They are designed to improve walking and cycling safety and accessibility while slowing traffic and deterring through-traffic.



We are keen to support initiatives which improve pupil safety as pupils make their way to and from school. Prior to the summer break, representatives from the board of managers met with local councillors to detail community concerns about road safety on Chamberlain Road. We have since been alerted to proposals which are designed to address many of these issues. You can view the proposals and leave feedback by clicking on the link below. Community consultation workshops are taking place throughout September too.

[Engagement workshops](#)

[Proposals and survey](#)



Pupil images consent

We use photographs and video which celebrate pupil successes, or other aspects of the collective life of the school. These are shared in our various publications: our website, prospectus, promotional brochures, school social media and YouTube channels, school journal, e-bulletins, notice boards and information events for current, prospective or former parents or pupils, or any other similar activity controlled by Jordanhill School.

Each pupil's photograph is taken at the beginning of P1 and S1 and updated at points as they go through the school. We use these photographs in our management information system (for attendance, pastoral notes and refectory card) and in internal use of MS Teams/O365.

As part of our routine admissions process, we ask for consent to use your child's image. If you **do not** consent to the use of your child's image as described above, please tell us using the form below so that we can update our records. Parents of pupils in P1 and S1 do not need to alert us as they have already completed a consent form.

As always, if you have any queries, please contact us at the school.

[Form to opt out](#)

[Policy on use of images](#)

Contacting Jordanhill School

General enquiries:

Parents and carers can contact the school by emailing info@jordanhill.glasgow.sch.uk or calling 0141 576 2500.



Pupil absence:

Please phone or email our designated absence line if your child is not going to be in school. It is important that you use this rather than the general information or switchboard number as your message may be delayed getting to the appropriate staff member.

absence@jordanhill.glasgow.sch.uk.

Dedicated absence line 0141 576 2526

This ensures that the absence is recorded timeously by the attendance officer, preventing unnecessary phone calls to parents/carers. Further details are on the school website (link below).

Attendance and Absence

A reminder to parents that only pupils should use Microsoft Teams to contact staff. This allows us to keep track of parental queries and to reserve MS Teams for pupil queries.

Annual Data Form

The annual pupil data forms will be sent to parents/carers next week. Please use this form to check that the details we have on file are accurate.

Communications



E-bulletins and Primary Newsletters

Monthly Newsletters

We use this monthly e-bulletin to keep you informed of the work of Jordanhill School. We also use our Primary Newsletter to communicate information specific to Primary parents. The first Primary newsletter of the new term will be sent to parents later this afternoon.

Jordanhill Journal

The Journal is published in December and June and is used to showcase our work. A hard-copy is sent to all families and digital copies are available on our website.

Social Media

Twitter is used to celebrate our pupils. Please follow us on Twitter (@JordanhillSch).

Jordanhill Journal

Check your junk mail

A few parents have been in touch to tell us that Jordanhill School emails are going to their Junk/Spam email folder. Please check your junk/spam folders and, if required, add the school emails to your safe senders list.



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