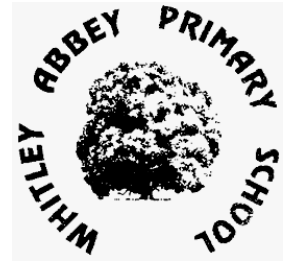


Newsletter

'A high-achieving learning environment at the heart of our community where everyone is inspired, nurtured and encouraged to be their very best.'

Shared Vision 2016



10th October 2016

Dear Parents and Carers,

There has been a lot to celebrate at Whitley Abbey Primary over the past week, the choir did an incredible performance at the Ricoh on Sunday 2nd October at the Wasps game. The children sang with three other schools to 16,000 people. A big thank you to staff and parents for supporting the children, we had a wonderful day and we were so proud of them. Our other reason to celebrate is that we have just been awarded the Bronze School's Games Mark for all the work which was done with sport last year. Thank you to everyone who supported our young sports people last year. Please let me know if your child has any achievements they would like to share in assembly or if you have links to any sports clubs in the area.



We are working hard to improve lunchtimes at the moment and so far we have changed the order of lunches, put an additional First Aider on duty each day and set up a daily lunchtime club. We plan to have a split lunch time from the beginning of the Spring term in January. This will mean that Reception and Key Stage 1 have lunch break from 11.45 a.m. – 12.45 pm and Key Stage 2 from 12.15p.m. – 1.15p.m. We had hoped to do this sooner but a consultation period needs to be given. This will not affect the start and finish of the school day at all. Thank you for your patience while we make these improvements and please do not hesitate to get in touch on this matter.

Wishing you all a lovely week ahead.

J. Harrison

Mrs Jules Harrison
Acting Head Teacher

School Photographs

If you wish to order your school photographs that have recently been taken by Lafayette via the school office please ensure that your orders are with the school office by no later than **THURSDAY 20th OCTOBER** as the order bag will be collected on Friday 21st October. Thank You

For any child who was absent from school for their photograph to be taken, the photographer will be in school again on Thursday 13th October so photographs of those pupils will be taken then. If you have a pre-school child and you would like their photograph taken with a school sibling please pop into school between 9am and 11am to have your photograph taken. Any queries regarding the photograph session on 13th please speak with the school office. Thank you

Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you to everyone who baked cakes, congratulations to our winners. We raised a wonderful £217.23 from the event.

Scooters and Bikes on Site

For health and safety reasons please be reminded children are not to ride scooters or bikes on site in the play grounds or past the gates near the main school building. Parents are also asked not to leave these scooters and bikes near the class entrance doors, children are finding them on their play times and causing a safety hazard.

Book Fair

We will be holding a book fair in school as we have done in previous years. This will be open after school each day until 4pm starting Friday 14th October until Thursday 20th October inclusive. It will also remain open during both our parent consultation evenings. Parents/Carers and your children will have the opportunity to look at a wide variety of books and purchase them.

Data Collection

If you have not already, please check, sign and return the data collection sheet that has been sent home recently. It is vitally important in case of emergency that all of your contact numbers are up to date.



Fun For Fathers..... Ahoy Mateys

Our pirate themed Fun for Fathers event will take place on Wednesday 19th October at 5pm to 7pm. More details will follow soon from Mrs Holland.

Parent Consultation Evening

Parent/Teacher consultation evening sessions have been set for Tuesday 18th and Thursday 20th October. The appointment sheets are displayed in the Office reception area for you to book your preferred time slot. If you are unable to pop into school to book your appointment please feel free to email the school office team who can book it for you. Please book as soon as possible to secure a convenient time. Due to personal reasons M Brown is not available on Thursday 20th October so will hold the Year 5 appointments on Thursday 13th And Tuesday 18th October.


Birthdays

This edition we send congratulations to Hannah B, Shree, Ewan, Daniela, Kieran B and Joshua T.
We hope you have a wonderful day!



Dates For Your Diary

<u>October 2016</u>	
W/C 10 th October	KS2 Taster week
Thursday 13 th October	School Photographs (Supertots Group) Yr 5 Rescheduled Parents Evening
Monday 17 th October	Y1-Y3 Flu Vaccinations
Tuesday 18 th October	Parents/Teacher Consultation Evening
Wednesday 19 th October	Fun for Fathers Pirate Themed Event 5.00pm to 7.00pm
Thursday 20 th October	Yr 6 Elder Class Assembly * Parents/Teacher Consultation Evening
Friday 21 st October	Last school day of term
W/C 24th October	School closed for half term
Monday 31 st October	School re-opens, all pupils to attend. New Lunchtime Menu starts this week
<u>November 2016</u>	
Wednesday 9 th November	Yr 1, 2 & 3 P.T.A Movies & Munchies night – details to follow
Tuesday 15 th November	September 2017 Intake Rising 5 Open Morning
Thursday 17 th November	Yr 5 Silver Birch Class Assembly *
Thursday 24 th November	Yr 4 Yew Class Assembly *
Friday 25 th November	Yr 2 Theatre Trip
w/c 28 th November	P.T.A Secret Present Room - details to follow
<u>December 2016</u>	
Friday 2 nd December	Fun for Fathers Christmas Crafts – details to follow
Tuesday 6 th December	Yr 3 & 4 Theatre Trip – details to follow
Wednesday 7 th December	Yr 5 & 6 Theatre Trip – details to follow
Monday 12 th December	FST Chestnut Theatre Trip – details to follow

<u>December continued</u>	
Tuesday 13 th December	FST/KS1 Christmas Performance – details to follow
Wednesday 14 th Deberner	FST Willow Theatre Trip – details to follow
Thursday 15 th December	KS2 Christmas Performance – details to follow
Friday 16 th December	Last school day of term 

* At these events please only take photos of your own child at the end – Thank you