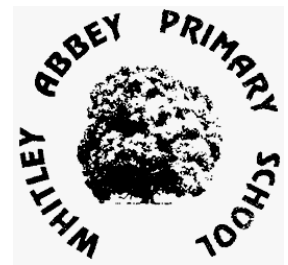


# Newsletter



*'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*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a great week in school for anti-bullying week. Key Stage 2 did a fantastic assembly, with lots of great poems to deliver the anti-bullying message. The children have all got an 'All Different, All Equal' wrist band, which was the message of this year's campaign from the **Anti-bullying Alliance**. The work you do at home to discuss our anti-bullying stance is incredibly valuable and the 'Is it rude, is it mean or is it bullying,' message really helps the children.

We will be holding a **Christmas Fayre on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** (more details to follow). We have a lot to live up to with the huge success of the Summer Fayre, where you helped us raise over a £1000 to provide new reading books and library books. So far we have bought new reading books for KS1 and books for the library. Money from the Christmas Fayre will help to fund whole school arts projects this year, which include art, design technology, dance, drama and music. All children in the school now take part in a weekly 'carousel' of arts subjects where they are taught by a teacher, who is a specialist in a particular part of the arts curriculum, on one afternoon a week. Over the next two years we are hoping to achieve the Artsmark Award. For more information please look at the website: <http://www.artsmark.org.uk/about-artsmark>.



Could you please send into school the following pre-loved items for the Christmas Fayre: toys, books, games, bric a brac and soft toys. If you can help out for an hour please contact Sally Holland, Sarah Basson, myself or the PTA. **On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December** we will have a non-uniform day, where the children can choose to come to school in their Christmas jumpers. The 'fine' for coming to school in non-uniform is a bottle for the bottle tombola or chocolate for the chocolate tombola. Thank you very much for your support with these events, we could not do it without you.

Have a wonderful week with your families

Jules Hall

### Parking/Driving Near and On-Site

We are now regularly encountering problems and difficulties with regard to vehicles. The office are receiving numerous complaints of near misses where their children have been in dangerous situations with cars that are driving and parking where they shouldn't be. The zig-zag lines outside of the school gates with Keep Clear across should not be parked on at any time, this is so our children can enter and leave school safely. The school site has a no vehicle policy except for school staff and visitors to site, or blue badge holders (the office should be contacted to discuss access regarding blue badges), this also includes when collecting children from after school clubs and dropping and collecting from our Abbey Oaks provision. All parents/carers must park in Ashington Grove/Rutherglen Avenue and then walk on to the school site. This also includes the use of bicycles, they should be dismounted at the school gates.

The Local Authority have now stepped up patrols in the area to monitor this situation and vehicle owners may be subject to fines if they do not adhere to line markings on the roads.

Can we please ask that all our parents/carers who drive a vehicle DO NOT come on to site at any time or park in restricted areas around the school site. This is for the safety of our children here at school. Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated. Thank you

### Staff Car Park

Children are continually playing around the staff vehicles, either running around them or riding scooters, in the car park in front of the main office during the morning while waiting to come into school. We do not want any accidents nor damage/scratches to staff vehicles so can we please ask that you ensure your children do not play in this area at any time. Thank you for your co-operation.

### Old £1 coins

Please be aware we are no longer accepting the old £1 coins. Thank you.





**Sims Agora - Online Payment System**

Just a reminder to any parents who have not yet registered for Sims Agora, our new online payment system, you can still register. The unique reference you will have been originally sent may have expired. If this is the case please speak with the office who can extend this date for you which will allow you to continue with your registration.

We are receiving payments from parents for school meals, uniforms and trips so the system is proving popular as opposed to sending in cash or cheques to school. We have started online payments for Abbey Oaks from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November with After School Club payments being introduced later in the school year.

If you have any queries or questions on the system please speak with a member of the office team. Thank you.

**Cash payments into School.**

Please ensure all cash or cheque payments are sent in a sealed envelope with your child's name, class, reason for payment and contents clearly marked. Please do not send loose money into school with your child. Thank you for your co-operation.

**Birthdays**

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Chloe, Ruby-Rose, Kimberley, David, Naavya, Oliver, Lexi, Max, Lewis, Manvith, Erika, Callum, Brodie, Harrison.



**Safeguarding Children**

children being

leaving after afternoon registration

In the interest of safeguarding children there may be occasions when the school has to consult other agencies without a parent's prior knowledge. The school's first concern is the child's welfare and the school has a duty to act to protect the child at all times. Such consultation may result in a formal referral which could prompt visits from social services and/or the police.

We fully understand that this can be a very distressing set of circumstances, but we can only assure you that we follow the procedures laid down by the Coventry Safeguarding Board, a copy of which is available in school and our own Child Protection Policy can be found on the school website.



## Dates For Your Diary

### November 2017

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November** 9am - Y5 Class Assembly

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November** 9am - Achievement Assembly FKS & KS1 - Y1 Maple showcase  
YR- Y4 - Flu Vaccines - details to follow

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** 9am - Y4 Class Assembly  
10-11.30 - Open Session for Rising 5` s

### December 2017

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December** NON UNIFORM DAY - Christmas Jumper Day - details to follow  
9am - Achievement Assembly KS2 - Y3 Elm showcase

**Week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> December** LAST WEEK OF CLUBS  
Secret Santa Week - details to follow

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December** YR1 Trip to Leamington for Christmas show

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** Y4, Y5 & Y6 Theatre Trip- details to follow

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** 9am - FKS/KS1 Assembly - Y1 Ash showcase  
2.15pm-3.15pm- Fun for Families - Christmas Crafts - details to follow

**Week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> December** NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** School Christmas Dinner - details to follow  
Tag Rugby Festival Y5 & Y6 - details to follow  
One Body One Life check-ups- details to follow

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** FST/KS1 - Christmas Performance- details to follow

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** Christmas Fayre - details to follow.

**Week commencing  
11<sup>th</sup> December**

NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

YR2/YR3 - Albany Theatre Trip

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December**

KS2 Christmas Performance - details to follow

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

9am - FKS/KS1 Bronze, Silver & Gold Award Assembly  
3.30pm-5.30pm- KS2 Christmas Disco- details to follow

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

9am - KS2 Bronze, Silver & Gold Award Assembly  
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

**January 2018**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January**

Teacher Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED - No Pupils to attend

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January**

SCHOOL OPEN - ALL PUPILS TO ATTEND  
NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

**Week commencing  
15<sup>th</sup> January**

CLUBS STARTS THIS WEEK



# Awards

We are very proud of all of our pupils for their enthusiasm and hard work,

In this edition we recognise...

## Stars of the Week Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November

YR3 Oak - Georgia & Bradley

YR 3 Elm - Millie & Mihnea

YR4 Yew - Freya & Lacie

YR5 Silver Birch - Charles & Liam

YR6 Elder - Ellie & Gabriel

**Congratulations and keep up the good work!**

