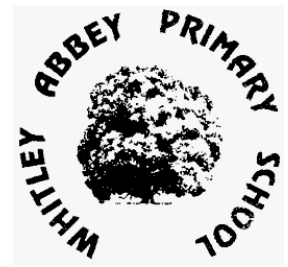


Newsletter



'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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December 1st 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Well December has finally arrived today, the children have been gearing up for Christmas since September! There is a huge amount going on in school over this month, so a separate letter has gone home with the children today - one for the fridge door!

Secret Present Room

Thanks to the PTA for organising and running the Secret Present Room, for the week beginning the 4th December. The children love this event and it goes from strength to strength each year. We will let you know as soon as we can how much profit the PTA have made. All the events in school which are profit making are used immediately for the benefit of the children currently in school. Thanks to all the PTA for giving up their time to buy and wrap presents for the children.



Christmas Fayre

Our school Christmas Fayre will be held on Friday 15th December, please raid your cupboards to send in any pre-loved toys, soft toys, books, games and bric-a-brac. We are hoping to raise further funds for books and for arts workshops and experiences in school. Further information will be shared with you nearer the time. Thank you everyone who has sent in donations so far, the chocolate tombola is going to be amazing.



Christmas Dates

Please see the letter which has gone out with every child today with all of our dates for Christmas.

Have a wonderful weekend

Jules Hall

Head Teacher

Nursery Update

Our nursery provision has now been running for almost a term and our nursery children have all settled in well and are enjoying their morning sessions.

We have looked into the provision moving forward in to the Spring term in relation to us starting afternoon sessions and possibly offering 30 hour funded places (where parents/carers are eligible). After careful consideration, taking all factors into account we have decided that at the start of the Spring term we will not be offering afternoon nursery sessions and will therefore not be able to offer the 30 hour funded places at this point in the school year.

We will however be reviewing this continually and it is now likely that we will introduce an afternoon nursery session for the Summer term, i.e. after the Easter holidays and then at that point we can again evaluate the 30 hour offering. This will be based on availability of spaces and eligibility.

We hope you appreciate that as a new venture we are evaluating this all of the time and want to keep you informed as much as possible. Should you have any questions or queries regarding our Nursery sessions or the extended entitlement of 30 hours please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Nursery or Office team or Mrs Tidmarsh and we will be happy to help, where possible.

Christmas Dinner Reminder

The last day for Christmas Dinner orders is Monday 4th December. Thank you.

Medicine

If your child needs medication during the school day, upon completion of our Medicine Form, we can administer prescribed medication only. Parents or carers are welcome to come in to school to administer any other necessary non-prescribed medication. Please do not send any form of medication in with your child; it must come in via the office.

Meet Our Staff

We would like to introduce our Teaching Staff. They are working really hard to help children to develop and they are always here to help and listen.

This edition we meet....



Faye McIntosh

I have lived in Coventry all my life and went to school myself in Coventry. I completed a degree in Sports Therapy at Coventry University and worked part time at Coventry Sports Foundation as a sports coach, swimming teacher and lifeguard. I then completed my PGCE - Primary at University of Warwick and completed placements in Coventry and Warwickshire including at Whitley Abbey Primary School. I have thoroughly enjoyed my first half term as Year 1 teacher at Whitley Abbey School and look forward to the rest of the year!

House Points – CONGRATULATIONS

	<u>Jaguar</u>	<u>Alvis</u>	<u>Humber</u>	<u>Riley</u>
Weekly Total:	355	349	357	365
Current Term Total:	1717	1500	1578	1393

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 3rd 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.

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Advika, Molly, Erin, Maisie, Jake, Blossom, William, Liam, Alicia, Bella-Rose, Tanav, Sadaf, Indie, Ava, Tanaka, Jack, Louis, Hadyah.



Safeguarding Children

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

December 2017

**Week commencing
4th December**

LAST WEEK OF CLUBS
Secret Santa Week - details to follow

Monday 4th December

9am - Whitley Waist Watchers in Abbey Oaks room.

Tuesday 5th December

1.30pm - Reception Chestnut - Theatre Trip

Wednesday 6th December

YR1 Trip to Leamington for Christmas show

Thursday 7th December

12.45pm - Y4, Y5 & Y6 - Theatre Trip
1.30pm - Reception Chestnut - Theatre Trip
Supertots Last Session and Party

Friday 8th December

9am - FKS/KS1 Assembly - Y1 Ash showcase
2.15pm-3.15pm- Fun for Families - Christmas Crafts -
details to follow

**Week commencing
11th December**

NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

Monday 11th December

3.30pm - One Body One Life check-ups- details to
follow

Tuesday 12th December

School Christmas Dinner
Tag Rugby Festival Y5 & Y6 - details to follow

Thursday 14th December

9am & 3.30 pm - Young Voices Meeting
2pm - FST/KS1 - Christmas Performance - details
to follow
5.30pm - FST/KS1 - Christmas Performance - details
to follow

Friday 15th December

Christmas Fayre - details to follow.

**Week commencing
11th December**

NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

Monday 18th December

1pm - YR2/YR3 - Albany Theatre Trip
Nursery - Class Christmas Party
Yr4 - Class Christmas Party

Tuesday 19th December

Yr1 - Class Christmas Party
2pm - KS2 Christmas Performance - details to follow
5.30pm - KS2 Christmas Performance - details to follow

Wednesday 20th December

9am - FKS/KS1 Bronze, Silver & Gold Award Assembly
Y2/Y3/Y5/Y6 - Class Christmas Disco
3.30pm-5.30pm- KS2 Christmas Disco- details to follow

Thursday 21st December

9am - KS2 Bronze, Silver & Gold Award Assembly
11am - Nursery Christmas Concert in Nursery
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

January 2018

Monday 8th January

Teacher Training Day - SCHOOL CLOSED - No Pupils to attend

Tuesday 9th January

SCHOOL OPEN - ALL PUPILS TO ATTEND
NO CLUBS THIS WEEK

Thursday 11th January

Supertots Re-Start

**Week commencing
15th January**

CLUBS STARTS THIS WEEK

Thursday 18th January

1pm - Y6 - Cycling Proficiency starts

February 2018

Thursday 8th February

9am - Yr Reception and Y6 Heights & weights



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 24th November

Reception Chestnut - James

Reception Willow - Rhys

Year 1 Ash - Lola and Kai

Year 1 Maple - Dougie

Year 2 Sycamore - Lewis & Harrison

Year 2 Aspen - Vikram & Erin

Stars of the Week Friday 1st December

Year 3 Oak - Whole Class

Year 3 Elm - Jake & Anna

Year 4 Yew - Connor & Morgan

Year 5 Silver Birch - Ruby & Tanaka

Year 6 Elder - Rory & Arian

Congratulations and keep up the good work!



ICE HOCKEY AT THE SKYDOME ARENA

3rd Dec vs Manchester Storm, faceoff

5:15pm

9th Dec vs Braehead Clan, faceoff 7pm

Coventry Blaze School Offer

£6 PER TICKET

(CANNOT BE EXCHANGED FOR CASH
MAXIMUM OF 2 ADULT AND 3 CHILD
TICKETS PER BOOKING)



GENTING CASINO
COVENTRY

TO BOOK TICKETS PLEASE EMAIL
DALEBUCKLAND@COVENTRYBLAZE.CO.UK
BY THE FRIDAY BEFORE THE GAME

