

# 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 and Carers,

Well Christmas is fast approaching and our planning is in place to have a wonderful Christmas in school.

**Next Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November is Christmas Jumper Day** in school, children can come to school in anything festive. As a 'fine' could you please send a donation for the bottle or chocolate tombola, which we will be running at the Christmas Crafts event on 7<sup>th</sup> December.

**Christmas Crafts will be from 2 - 3.15 pm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December.** We have a range of wonderful Christmas Crafts to choose from and there is no charge for any of these activities. We are doing some fund raising at the event, so bring some change for refreshments, the raffle and the bottle and chocolate tombolas. Christmas crafts will be run across both halls and three classrooms this year, so that we have space to spread out. We are really look forward to seeing you there.

**Theatre trips.** Over the next few weeks all classes will be going to the theatre to see a range of different shows. Some classes are making a day of it and are also fitting in visits to museums and art galleries too. These are wonderful opportunities for the children and can be a real source of awe and wonder.

**Christmas Performances.** Please see the dates list below for more Christmas Performance information. This year for the first time nursery and reception (with a little help from the choir) will be performing the nativity. Key Stage 1 and 2 have separate performances and we have had a dance teacher in school all week helping them to prepare.

**Warm Clothing.** With a change in the weather to sub-zero temperatures could you please make sure children are now in their winter gear; tights instead of socks, a good warm coat, hats and gloves.

Thank you so much for helping us to raise money for **Children in Need and the Anti-bullying Alliance**. Our total was £260. A wonderful effort. Please support us in our "Is it Rude, Is it Mean or Is it Bullying" message - it really supports the children in discussing conflicts.

**Test Weeks.** Teachers assessments are ongoing all the time but at the end of each term we have a test week to check our judgements, inform planning and set target work for individual children and groups. Test Week this term is the w/b 3.12.2018, but all tests will be carried out as part of regular maths and literacy lessons, with the support children need.

**Christmas Parties.** All class teachers will send out letters to let you know the arrangements for your child's Christmas Party, the parties will be in the final week of term.

Have a great weekend and wrap up warm

Jules Hall

Head Teacher

Operation Park Safe

To report illegal or dangerous parking around our school we are working aside our local police and their scheme "Operation Park Safe". Report forms can be found on our school website under Parents-Community.

Christmas Dinner reminder

Just to remind all parents/carers to send your child/children Christmas Dinner order by 5<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you.

<u>House Points – CONGRATULATIONS</u>				
	<u>Jaguar</u>	<u>Alvis</u>	<u>Humber</u>	<u>Riley</u>
Current Term Total:	1388	1272	1471	1479

[Congratulations to Y2 Sycamore for their attendance !](#)

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Joshua, William, Charlie, Chloe, Ruby-Rose, Adam, Amelia, Logan, Aden, Manvith, Tilly, Brodie, Tommy, Harrison, Advika, Molly, Erin, Maisie, Jake and Aariz Ali.



**Dates for your Diary**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
29.11.18	Y3 Theatre Trip Y4 Yew Class Assembly
30.11.18	KS2 Achievement Assembly - Y6 Showcase
w/c 3.12.18	Las week of Clubs
5.12.18	Y4 Theatre Trip Y5/Y6 Choir Christingle @ Cathedral
6.12.18	Y5 and Y6 Theatre Trip
7.12.18	2pm – 3.15pm Christmas crafts – fun for families
w/c 10.12.18	No Clubs this week
11.12.18	2pm & 5.30pm KS1 performance
13.12.18	2pm & 5.30pm KS2 performance
14.12.18	Reception Theatre Trip
17.12.18	9.30am & 2.30pm - Nursery and Reception Nativity, morning and afternoon.
18.12.18	BSG – KS1
18.12.18	Y1 and Y2 Theatre Trip
18.12.18	Bronze, Silver, Gold Assembly – KS1 & Foundation Stage
19.12.18	Bronze, Silver, Gold Assembly – KS2 School Christmas Dinner
21.12.18	Teacher day – school closed
24.12.18 – 7.1.2019	Christmas holiday
7.01.2019	School re-opens – everyone to attend
w/c 7.01.19	No Clubs – New letters will be sent home to apply for places
10.01.2019	Y6 – Cycling Proficiency Starting
w/c 21.01.2019	Clubs start this week
24.5.19	FRIDAY 24 <sup>th</sup> MAY – NO LONGER A TEACHER TRAINING DAY SCHOOL OPEN AS NORMAL -All staff and children to attend
19.7.19	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
22.7.19	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July – is now a Teacher Training Day

**\* Please note an important change to dates:-**

***24th May 2019 is NO LONGER a Teacher training day – SCHOOL OPEN***

***22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 is NOW a Teacher training day – SCHOOL CLOSED***



Check out our School Website [www.whitleyabbeyprimary.co.uk](http://www.whitleyabbeyprimary.co.uk) , our official Facebook page 'Whitley Abbey Primary School' and our Twitter account 'Whitley Abbey Pri @ WhitleyPrimary' for up to date news and information.





# 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 16<sup>th</sup> November

Year 3 Oak - Samuel & Agjiec

Year 3 Elm - Ruby Rose & Dhiya

Year 4 Yew - Daisy, Amelia & Arash

Year 4 Pine - Lokesh & Rubie-Lea

Year 5 Silver Birch - Megan S. & Philip

Year 6 Elder - Brooke & Elsa

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

