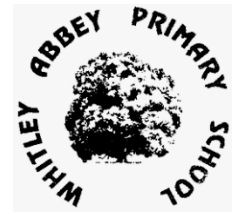


Newsletter

'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

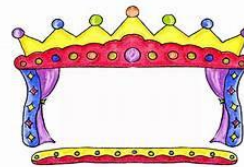


Issue No. 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Christmas season is in full swing in school now, with lots of rehearsals going on for Christmas Performances. In total there will be seven performances over the next few days and every child in school is performing! The staff and children have worked really hard and are looking forward to performing for you.

Photographs - To help us to safeguard the children, there will be no photographs or videoing at any performance, we will share our photos from the dress rehearsals through the cloud by the end of the week - there will be more information to follow about this.
Parking for events - could we request that you allow enough time to park considerately and safely for events. Please don't park on double yellow lines, zigzags or across resident's driveways.



Christmas Crafts - Thank you so much for supporting this event in such huge numbers, there was a massive turn out! Future 'fun for families' events will be split into phases, so that we can manage numbers better and everyone is more comfortable. We will most probably hold one event each term to which we will only invite one phase of the school e.g. nursery and reception, with no older siblings. We want to hold on to these successful community events but we are keen to make it as enjoyable as possible.

Fund raising - THANK YOU SO MUCH! We raised an incredible £410.98 at Christmas Crafts, which will all go towards purchasing new science resources for school. We will be selling raffle tickets and holding a collection at all performances - all funds towards science resources.

Autumn Term Trips - our theatre trips so far have been incredibly successful, the children have really enjoyed these experiences and have also enjoyed visiting museums, art galleries and the 'Think Tank'. We are so lucky to have such a wealth of great places to visit.

Christmas Parties - more information should be with you from your child's class teacher, please contact school if you need further information.

Have a wonderful week with your families and remember if you have anything you need to discuss, you can always pop into school, call or email and we will be happy to help.

Jules Hall
Head Teacher



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Christmas Dinner Reminder

Just a reminder, we are no longer taking Christmas Dinner orders. Thank you

Our Governing Body

All of our Governors work really hard for our school and children, and have been in school a number of times to meet Curriculum Co-Ordinators and discuss issues related to each subject. Pictures of our Governors are in the main entrance so that you can identify who they are and there is more information on our website about their roles.

This edition we meet...



Kerri Husband

I am a parent with 2 children at Whitley Abbey Primary: my daughter is in Y3 and my son is in Y1.

My career: I trained as a Librarian and worked as a Manager of a team of researchers in an accountancy firm, barristers' chambers and EEF, which provide HR and legal advice to small manufacturing firms. Since having children, I've been a stay at home Mum and am now trying to set up my own small business selling children's arts, crafts and educational activities.

Why am I a governor? I believe passionately the greatest gift you can give a child to progress in life is a good well-rounded education. I hope by being a governor I will be able to help and support Whitley Abbey in doing this.

Type of Governor: Co-opted. I am also the Governor with a link to Literacy.

Governor since March 2018.

House Points – CONGRATULATIONS

	<u>Jaguar</u>	<u>Alvis</u>	<u>Humber</u>	<u>Riley</u>
Current Term Total:	257	275	284	308

[Congratulations to Y4 Pine and Y4 Yew for the best attendance!!!](#)

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Blossom, Liam, Alicia, Niranjana, Bella-Rose, Tanav, Sadaf, Indie, Ava, Tanaka, Jack, Hadyah, Rayaan, Raja, Rhys, Nyla & Owen.



Dates for your Diary

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
13.12.18	9.30am, 2pm & 5.30pm KS2 performance – tickets only
14.12.18	Reception Theatre Trip
17.12.18	9.30am & 2.30pm - Nursery and Reception Nativity, morning and afternoon.
18.12.18	Y6 – Mexican Party- details to follow
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 Reception and Y2 – Christmas Parties – details to follow
21.12.18	Teacher day – school closed
24.12.18 – 6.1.2019	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 th 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 nd 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

22nd July 2019 is NOW a Teacher training day – SCHOOL CLOSED



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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 30th November

Year 3 Oak - The Whole Class

Year 3 Elm - Harrison & Hossna

Year 4 Yew - Ljyn & Harry

Year 4 Pine - Joe & Oliver

Year 5 Silver Birch - Avika & Soumit

Year 6 Elder - The Whole Class

Congratulations and keep up the good work!

