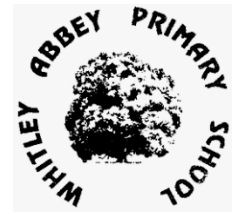


Newsletter

'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. 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

A belated 'Happy New Year' to everyone and I hope you had a wonderful holiday with your families. The children have definitely returned to school fresh and sparkling after the Christmas break.

Accelerated Reader. Last year we purchased the Accelerated Reader resource to encourage independent reading in school but mainly at home, to develop a love of reading. We have had some phenomenal success with this, with some children improving their reading ages by a whole year a term. Many boys continue to be a challenge with their reading as they are lured by computer games. We need your help to support their reading at home and develop this important life skill, which they will need whatever their future professions are. A good reading level means that children can succeed across the whole curriculum, whether it is maths, literacy, science or any other subject. Please encourage your children as much as you can and support us in developing a regular reading habit. If you need any help or advice, or have lost your Accelerated Reader login please get in touch.

Dates for the year. You will notice in the dates section; performances for Years 2 and 3, and Years 4-6 in the summer term. These will be all singing and dancing and will replace the Christmas performances for these year groups. At Christmas the only performances will be by nursery, reception and Year 1. We really want to focus on each phase's show and this will give us the time and resources to do it. We hope you appreciate the need for this change.

Our Code of Conduct. Please see below for more information on our Whitley Code of Conduct. We promote this through regular assemblies, class teaching, group work and in discussion. At Whitley Abbey Primary we like to be as positive as possible and everything we do reflects this across the school. We really like to reward the children for their positive choices. Children who struggle with their behaviour are given a range of support in school. Sometimes though behaviour is not what we would hope for and we then refer to our levels of unacceptable behaviour, so that we can be as consistent as possible. We greatly appreciate the support we have from parents with this. Please see below for more information on this and also see our Behaviour Policy on the school website.

Safeguarding. Thank you for working together with us to safeguard all of our children, your support with this is greatly appreciated. Recently in the news there have been reports of children being 'groomed' through the game 'Fortnite'. Fortnite is rated a 12, which means that the level of violence is unsuitable for the children in our school, so this should not be an issue for us. Please can parents check that games are suitable for their children - maybe by playing them first.

Thank you so much with the support you give the children with homework and reading, it makes a huge difference in school.

Have a wonderful weekend

Jules Hall and all the Whitley Abbey Primary Team

SITE SAFETY

For the safety of our children, their siblings and adults who walk on our site can we please ask that you use the footpaths instead of driveways/roads when walking to/from school with your children as we are a busy site with many vehicles. We encourage our children to use the footpaths at all times and teach them the green cross code. We are finding that people are walking up the drive (road) to and from school rather than using the footpath. This is very dangerous when vehicles are constantly going up and down the driveway. Thank you for your co-operation.

PUNCTUALITY

Please remember **Every Minute Matters**. Did you know that if your child is 5 minutes late every day, they will lose 3 learning days every year. Please remember doors open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am.

POLITE NOTE TO PARENTS/VISITORS

We are still encountering problems with parents parking on the corners of the roads outside our school driveway and also on the zig zag lines. These are clearly marked areas and must not be parked on at any time. This is for everyone's safety. We realise parking can be an issue at busy times but please put our pupils' safety first by not parking in areas where you shouldn't. Thank you



NURSERY INFORMATION

Does your child turn 3 before 31st August 2019? If so are you interested in a Nursery place for them from September 2019? Children are eligible for 15 hour nursery funding per week, the term after their third birthday. Please speak to the office to complete our expression of interest form.

SLAP CHEEK

We have had a few cases of "slapped cheek" throughout the school in various classes. Generally nothing to be concerned about and children can still attend the school if they feel well enough. If you required more information, please contact your local GP or follow the link below:

<https://www.nhsinform.scot/illnesses-and-conditions/infections-and-poisoning/slapped-cheek-syndrome>

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....



Kevin Smith

Hi, my name is Kevin Smith and I have joined the board of governors as a co-opted governor.

I have lived in Whitley all my life. I grew up here and this is where I went to school, which gives me a greater interest in being a governor.

I now have two children in the school, one in year 1 and one in year 5. I run my own business but have a background in finance and manufacturing.

House Points – CONGRATULATIONS!!!

	<u>Jaquar</u>	<u>Alvis</u>	<u>Humber</u>	<u>Riley</u>
Current Term Total:	303	302	325	301

[Congratulations to Y3 Oak for the best attendance!!!](#)

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Malik, Lola, Paige, Phoebe, Dayyan, Rohan, Lexi, Noah, Osam, Aisha, Adithi, Grzegorz, Roxy, Logan, Linisha, Kray, Nathaniel, Teddie and Scarlet.



Safeguarding Children

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

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
w/c 21.01.2019	Clubs start this week
07.02.2019	Harry Potter Night – details to follow
11.02.2019	Parents Evening – by appointment only – look for a flyer
12.02.2019	Parents Evening – by appointment only – look for a flyer
w/c 18.02.2019	Half Term Break – back to school on Monday 25.02.2019
25.02.2019	SCHOOL OPEN – ALL PUPILS TO ATTEND
25.02.2019- 27.02.2019	Y5 – Ilam Hall Residential Trip
07.03.2019	World Book Day
w/c 01.04.2019	CLUBS FINISH THIS WEEK
10.04.2019	YR – Trip to Hatton Country World- details to follow
12.04.2019	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
15.04.2019- 28.04.2019	EASTER HOLIDAY
29.04.2019	SCHOOL OPEN – ALL PUPILS TO ATTEND
w/c 29.04.2019	NO CLUBS THIS WEEK
06.05.2019	MAY BANK HOLIDAY
13.05.2019- 16.05.2019	Y6 SATS WEEK
24.05.2019	FRIDAY 24th MAY – NO LONGER A TEACHER TRAINING DAY SCHOOL OPEN AS NORMAL -All staff and children to attend
27.05.2019 – 02.06.2019	Half Term Break
03.06.2019	Teacher`s Training Day – School Closed for Pupils
03.06.2019 – 07.06.2019	Y6 – Dol-y-Moch Residential Trip – details to follow
04.06.2019	SCHOOL OPEN – ALL PUPILS TO ATTEND
18.06.2019	Y2 & Y3 Performances
21.06.2019	Garden Party/Summer Fair
05.07.2019	Summer Fayre – details to follow
w/c 08.07.2019	Last week of CLUBS Art Gallery
11.07.2019	Years 4-6 Performances
16.07.2019	9am - Y2 Moving Up Assembly
17.07.2019	100% Attendance Trip
18.07.2019	Y6 PROM
19.07.2019	Y6 Leavers Assembly LAST DAY OF SCHOOL
22.07.2019	Monday 22 nd July – is now a Teacher Training Day



Check out our School Website 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.



Please see below for our behaviour levels and sanctions

Unacceptable behaviour at Whitley Abbey Primary School

Guide to levels of unacceptable behaviour and sanctions:

Level One: behaviour that can be effectively managed within a classroom environment by the class teacher using the class behaviour ladder.

Level Two: more serious negative behaviour that is not so easily managed within a classroom environment.

Level Three: serious negative unacceptable behaviour or persistent level two type behaviour.

Level Four: very serious unacceptable behaviour or persistent level three type behaviour.

Unacceptable behaviour explained:

Level One	Level Two	Level Three	Level Four
Not on task/ wasting time.	Any Persistence of level one. Telling lies.	Any persistence of level two.	Any persistence of Level three.
Deliberate avoidance or non completion of set work	Teasing others, name calling, making, unkind and derogatory comments.	Not responding to instructions; uncooperative behaviour.	Serious acts of sustained Violence towards pupils and adults eg: hitting, kicking, fighting, and biting.
Distracting another child, chatting in class/assembly.	Play fighting, dangerous or Rough and aggressive play on the playground (including when playing football).	Stealing.	Persistent bad language and verbal abuse.
Distraction, interruption of activities, calling out, attention seeking behaviour.	Answering back.	*Racial or prejudice abuse.	Continued refusal of an adult's reasonable request.
Negative body language.	Retaliation	Deliberate, persistent or malicious lying.	Vandalism of school buildings/property.
Damage to school/others' property through careless behaviour.		Inappropriate/bad language.	Bringing dangerous items into school.
Running indoors.		Graffiti on school property (including school books).	Bullying (including cyber)
		Deliberately damaging another child's property.	Leaving school premises without consent.
		Deliberately injuring another pupil	
		Putting myself or others in danger	
		Spitting	

*** This will be investigated by the DHT or HT and could result in Level 4 consequences depending on the outcomes.**

All level four type behaviour will result in a full investigation and will be logged by the HT. (Please also refer to the school anti-bullying policy).

Consequences for Unacceptable Behaviour

Level 1 type behaviour

Each class teacher will use the whole class behaviour ladder and all teachers must follow the same procedure.

Every lesson counts for learning and it is extremely important that lessons are not interrupted by children displaying persistent low level behaviour.

Level 2

- The child will be sent to the 'Timeout Zone' (outside the Deputy Headteacher's office – to be spoken to by the Senior Leadership Team) with a **Yellow** behaviour slip, which will refer to the reason. The level will be recorded by the class teacher in the class behaviour log.
- The child will miss two of their playtimes.
- If any child receives a level 2 behaviour slip 3 times per half term the **leader of the phase will contact parents and inform them about their child's behaviour**. The DHT will monitor the behaviour log on a weekly basis. Files will be kept in the DHT office.
- **At lunchtime** children should initially be sent to the Lead lunchtime supervisor, who will issue a yellow slip, which will be passed to the class teacher - the above will then apply.

Level 3

- If a member of staff believes the child has shown unacceptable behaviour at level 3 they will summarise the incident to the DHT. The DHT will consider the behaviour and if the behaviour is a level 3 the child will be given an **Orange** behaviour slip and be taken to 'The Hub', 'Timeout Zone' or Headteacher's office for supervised lunchtime.
- **At lunchtime** level 3 behaviour children will be issued with an orange slip by the member of staff dealing with them and taken to the DHT or HT (Deputy or Headteacher).
- The level will be recorded on the behaviour log.
- The child will not be allowed outside to play for the following 2 lunchtimes. **The DHT will contact the parents of any children who have had an orange behaviour slip.**

Level 4

- If a member of staff believes the child has shown unacceptable behaviour at level 4 they will summarise the incident to the HT. The HT will consider the behaviour and if the behaviour is a level 4 the child will be given a **Red** behaviour slip. It will be recorded by the HT in the behaviour log.
- **After investigation; parents will be immediately informed by telephone and will be expected to support the school's actions. This phone call may be followed by a formal letter. An appointment may be made with parents, teacher and the HT to discuss the child's future behaviour.**
- All privileges for an extended period will be withdrawn at the discretion of the HT.
- The child may be issued with an internal exclusion whereby the child loses the privilege to work within their class/year group/phase.
- In some cases, the child may be excluded for a fixed period, usually in the first instance of 2 to 5 days and the formal recording of that exclusion will be made.
- In extreme cases the child may be permanently excluded.
- **At lunchtime** children will be brought straight to the HT by the member of staff dealing with the issue or the member of staff may request support for the teaching staff to remove the child from the playground.
- **Level 4 behaviour is very rare.**



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 2nd November

Reception Chestnut - Jayden
 Reception Willow - Andrew & Ezmae
 Year 1 Ash - Sophie & Harrison
 Year 1 Maple - Lexi & Finley
 Year 2 Sycamore - Aditi & Hannah
 Year 2 Aspen - Jenson & Leylan

Stars of the Week Friday 18th January

Year 3 Oak - Dexter & Kieran
 Year 3 Elm - Jack & Bianca
 Year 4 Yew - Tamzin & Olivia
 Year 4 Pine - Amelia & Layla-Rose
 Year 5 Silver Birch - Kian & Daniela
 Year 6 Elder - Aimee McM & Jayden

Congratulations and keep up the good work!



Whitley Abbey Primary School

Code of Conduct

We celebrate our diversity and include everyone.

We have good manners and treat everyone with respect.

We use kind words, hands and feet.

We work hard to achieve our goals by being ready to learn, listen and take part.

We are honest.

We care for our school and everything in it.

We wear our correct school uniform.

We walk quietly around school.

We are good friends and try to help others.