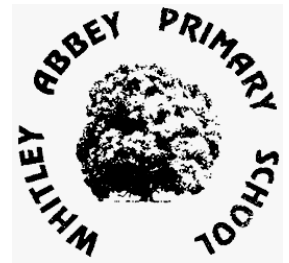


Newsletter



'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. 8

January 6th 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new term and a very happy new year. I hope you all had a great holiday with your families. This, as always, will be a busy term particularly for Years 2 and 6 as they will be preparing for their SAT's. We will keep the timetables as normal, particularly for Year 2. You may find that Year 6 children may have a bit more homework than usual but otherwise things will remain the same as last term.

Staff assessed all the children's progress prior to Christmas and generally progress and attainment was good. All the children work really hard and do their best. Teachers will be setting individual targets for the children to help them make even better progress. We will be having our Parents Evenings on **Wednesday 5th April and Thursday 6th April**, so Teachers will be able to share your children's progress and attainment with you. The appointment booking sheets will be up by the school office doors from Monday 20th March for you to choose a convenient appointment time.

Last term we did a lot of work on our Whitley Code of Conduct which really helps the children to be good citizens, in and out of school. We are starting this term once again focussing on this, to get us all off to a good start.

The battle to keep children safe on the internet rages on, with reports on this issue in the national news this week. We have again had issues in Year 6 with social media, this time with Skype and we are doing our best to educate the children to stay safe. If you need any help with this please get in touch. Amanda Webb our Computer Wizard is in school on Mondays and Thursdays and has helped many parents to make sure their children stay safe online. The following link will take you to all of the Internet Safety documents she has put on our website:

<http://www.whitleyabbeyprimary.co.uk/parents-internet.html>

Please remember our door is always open if you need to speak to a member of staff regarding the issues mentioned above or any other topics.

We have welcomed a number of new children and their families to school this term as well as Miss Bennett in Year 6. We hope that they will enjoy being part of our school and the Whitley community.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy 2017!

J. Harrison

Mrs Jules Harrison
Head Teacher

School Uniform

Thank you for sending your children to school so smartly dressed, they really are a credit to you. We will continue to have a regular whole class award for the smartest class.

Achievement Assemblies

We would love to hear of any special achievements or awards the children have received outside of school, we really enjoy sharing in their success during Friday Achievement Assemblies. Please get in touch if your child has done something they would like to share with the whole school.

Your 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 coordinators 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 rolls.

Parents Workshops

During this term we will be running Maths Workshops and E-safety Workshops. More information about these will follow soon.

Birthdays

Lots of children enjoyed a birthday over the Christmas holiday, Holly, Rebecca B, Sadaf, Ava, Tanaka, Jack H, Louis, Rhys, Sophie H, Owen, Leland, Elsa, Kayleigh, Amelia L, Hannah V, Ayva, Amieleigh, Advika, Holly-Jo, Sam, Kai and Charley. We hope you had great birthdays.

We also send birthday wishes to Lucas, Aniruddha, Rory, Toby, Georginne, Mia H, Vikram, Kara, Bianca and Nicola this week.

We hope you have a wonderful day!



Please visit our school website for news and information at <http://whitleyabbeyprimary.co.uk/>
You can also follow us on Twitter with the link on the web page.

<u>Dates For Your Diary</u>	
<u>January 2017</u>	
Week beginning Monday 9 th	No clubs this week (Abbey Oaks wrap around service open as usual)
Tuesday 10 th January	Acorns Restarts
Monday 23 rd January	Yr 6 visit to Whitley Academy – ‘International’ Event
<u>February 2017</u>	
Friday 17 th February	Last day of school
Week beginning Monday 20 th February	School Closed for Half Term
Monday 27 th February	School open – all pupils and staff to attend as normal
<u>March 2017</u>	
Thursday 2 nd March	World Book Day – details to follow
Friday 24 th March	Red Nose Day
<u>April 2017</u>	
Week beginning Monday 3 rd April	No clubs this week (Abbey Oaks wrap around service open as usual).
Wednesday 5 th April	Parents Evening 3pm – 5pm
Thursday 6 th April	Parents Evening 4.30pm – 7pm
Friday 7 th April	Last day of school

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