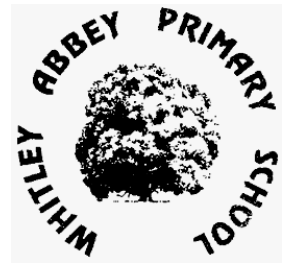


Newsletter



'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,

The children have made a great start to 2017 and definitely look refreshed after the Christmas break.

We have **exciting news about our Whitley Abbey Primary School Nursery**. Our brand new nursery will be opening in September 2017. We are incredibly excited about having our own nursery as it will really benefit our children in so many ways. Look out for more information in the next newsletter and details about how to apply for places.

We are working hard at the moment to help the children make excellent progress. The help you give the children at home is so important and gives the children valuable 1 - 1 time. With this in mind we will be holding **Maths Workshops for parents** this term to inform you of the teaching methods we use in Maths. Look out for a letter from your child's class Teacher or catch them on the door.

To support the children further in dealing with internet safety we will be having an **E-Safety workshop for parents**, date to follow soon. Please contact school if you need particular support with setting privacy settings and passwords or for information.

Our **lunch times** are now split over an hour and a half. KS2 have their lunch time 11.45 am - 12.45pm and KS1 12.15 - 1.15 pm. From next week KS2 will be having a daily ten minute afternoon break and an opportunity to eat any fruit they have brought in from home. KS1 have a flexible afternoon break already in place. We have worked really hard to improve lunchtimes as the school grows and we are now offering lots of free clubs and activities please see the timetable on the next page.

Thank you to everyone who has sent in contributions to after school clubs, we were able to offer all children a club place who applied. A massive thank you to all the staff who run clubs in their own time.

Wishing you all wonderful weekend

J. Harrison

Mrs Jules Harrison
Head Teacher

Lunchtime Clubs Timetable - Spring

KS2 Clubs 12.10 – 12.40 daily				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Multi-sports	Football Upper KS2 *	Library – Multi-sports	Football Upper KS2*	Basketball Club
KS2 Clubs 11.45 – 12.15 daily				
				Netball
KS1 Clubs 12.45 – 1.10 daily				
Skipping Club	Creative Club	Library – Multi-sports	Construction Club	
Clubs for all children 12.15 – 12.45				
Dance Club				Karaoke Fun Club

* Upper KS2 Football club will be on the school field, so children will need to have a change of clothes and old trainers (no football boots please). At the moment this club is for Year 5 and 6.

Parking Safety

Please can we remind all Parents again to drive and park carefully around our local area for the safety of others including our children and the local Academy children? There are numerous occasions where some of our parents are pulling up on the yellow zig zags, parking across resident's driveways, driving at speed and parking blocking pavements forcing families to walk on the busy road. **Also note that no cars are to come on to the school site unless special permission has been granted.**

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 roles.

This edition we meet....



'My name is Amy McGrory and I have been a Governor at Whitley Abbey Primary for 8 years. I first became interested in becoming a Governor as I had two children attending the school. I am now Deputy Chair as well as being a Link Governor to the Local Authority, receiving and sharing information with the governing board. Although both of my children have now left I still feel very much a part of the school because of the work I do as a Governor. I particularly enjoy coming into school and seeing our children thrive in such a friendly and nurturing environment. I currently link with the subject leaders in Art, English and also Abbey Oaks, looking at progress and attainment within those subjects.'

School Nurse Drop In Session

Stress

Sleep

Relationships

Toileting

Behaviour

Family Problems

Weight Concerns

Confidential

Bullying

HEALTHY EATING

**DROP IN TO SEE
YOUR SCHOOL NURSE
Hayley Grigg**

**Coffee Morning at school
FRIDAY 10th February 2017
from 09.00am**



Calling all story writers

We will be supporting any children who wish to submit their amazing stories to Radio 2's 500 Words competition. The competition is now open for entries and further information, ideas and inspiration can be found at:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/articles/50pnqLfDywb9CFxiNvth5l0/about-500-words>

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to Lily R, Archie, Lola S, Paige B, Dayyan, Anushree, Rohan, Osam, Aisha, Vinny, Logan S and Hollie S.



Dates For Your Diary

January 2017

Thursday 26th January Young Voices Parent Meeting - 9.00a.m / 4.30p.m

February 2017

Friday 3rd February P.T.A meeting 9.00a.m - **All Parents Welcome**

Wednesday 8th February FST Yr R Vision Screening

Thursday 9th February Yr 3 Oak Class Assembly

Yr 2 Parent Maths Meeting 3.45p.m & 5.45p.m

Friday 10th February School Nurse Coffee Morning Drop-In

Tuesday 14th February Yr 4 Yew Alcester Museum Trip

Friday 17th February Last day of school

Week of 20th February **School Closed for Half Term**

Monday 27th February School open - all pupils to attend

Book Week

March 2017

Thursday 2nd March World Book Day - details to follow

Fun for Families - Books and Breakfast

Wednesday 8th March Yr 6 SATs Maths Workshop 3.45p.m & 5.45p.m

Continued.....

Friday 24th March Red Nose Day

Wednesday 29th March Dol-y-moch Parent meeting 3.45p.m

April 2017

Week beginning Monday 3rd April No clubs this week (Abbey Oaks wrap around service open as usual)

Wednesday 5th April Parents Evening 3.00p.m - 5.00p.m

Thursday 6th April Parents Evening 4.30p.m - 7.00p.m

Friday 7th April Last day of school term

Monday 10th April - Sunday 23rd April School Closed For Easter Holidays

Monday 24th April School open - all pupils to attend
No clubs this week (Abbey Oaks wrap around service open as usual)




NHS
South Warwickshire
NHS Foundation Trust

The Coventry School Nursing Team have launched two websites to provide health information for children, young people and parents.

Please share the website addresses below with anyone who may find the resources useful.

www.healthforkids.co.uk

HEALTHFORTEENS.CO.UK

For more information please email: Anne.Kennedy@swft.nhs.uk

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.



Awards



We are very proud of all our pupils for their enthusiasm and hard work
but this edition we recognise..

Stars of the Week Friday 13th January

FST Chestnut - Dougie & Jovana

FST Willow - Rose & Paige

Yr 1 Ash - Angel & Joli

Yr 1 Maple - Agjiec

Yr 2 Sycamore - Whole Class

Yr 2 Aspen - Maisie & L'jyn

Stars of the Week Friday 20th Jauary

Yr 3 Oak - Ananya

Yr 4 Yew - Sophie C & Aimee C

Yr 5 Silver Birch - Kim C & Daniel

Yr 6 Elder - Gracie & Gearge

Congratulations and keep up the good work!



Supertots

Whitley Abbey Primary School's

Stay & Play

Every Thursday during term time

Between 1.45pm and 3.15pm. £0.50p per child.

A wonderful opportunity for your child to meet and play with new friends.

Activities include art, crafts, singing, construction, outside area and story time. Drinks and fruity snacks provided.

We look forward to seeing Mums, Dads, Grandparents and Carers.

For more information please contact Sally Holland on 02476303392.



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.

