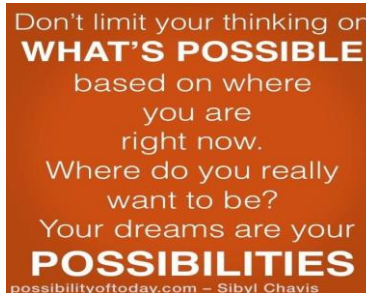


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Dear Parents and Carers,

Well Autumn has definitely arrived with darker mornings and evenings. A big part of Autumn at Whitley Abbey are our KS1 and Early Years Harvest Assemblies and our KS2 Diwali Assembly. We love being part of the community and the community work we all do together; parents, children, staff and the wider community helps to share our community values with the children; **giving back, showing gratitude, sharing and kindness**. Our Bake-Off for Macmillan Cancer Support raised **an amazing £450**, thank you so much for your wonderful cakes and for supporting the wider local and national community in this amazing event. Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for foodbank too and supported the children in assembly.



We are redesigning our curriculum and our main drivers are **Community, Possibilities, Well Being and Culture**. This afternoon we are having our first **Possibilities** afternoon where children choose a workshop based on their subject interests and strengths. All of the teaching staff have organised a subject workshop linked to a particular profession and some of the skills needed for that profession will be discussed, whether it is a journalist, engineer, nutritionist or scientist. If you would like to get involved in this when we run our next possibilities afternoon in the Spring please let us know.

Reading. Thank you everyone for supporting the children's reading at home. I know it is difficult to get reluctant readers to read but this skill has such an impact on the children's life chances. We want all our children to have the best possible chance of a bright future. If you need any help in getting children to read please let us know - we might be able to find just the right book which sparks their interest! If a child really doesn't like a book, just write a note in the reading diary and we'll look for one that will be more engaging. Any problems at all please contact me and I will do my best to sort it out for you.

Head boy and girl, well done to Jack and Atena in Year 6, we are really looking forward to working with you this year.

Jules Hall

Headteacher

Change in term dates!!!

Please be aware of a change in our term dates for May Bank Holiday 4th May to Friday 8th May 2020 instead, so school will be open from Monday 4th May to Thursday 7th May and re-open again on Monday 11th May.

Polite request

Please do not allow your child/children to play around staff vehicles or touch them for their own safety and to avoid any car damage. Thank you for your co-operation.

Birthdays

This edition we say 'Happy Birthday' to: Ewan, Lewis, Hannah, Darcey, Ezmae, Yashvardhan, Ludn. Jack, Daniela, Brooke, Kieran, Kevin, Aleksander, Harley, Kamil, Skye, Atena, Lexi-Rose, Daisy, Samina, Andrada and Poppy.



<u>House Points – CONGRATULATIONS!!!</u>				
	<u>Jaguar</u>	<u>Alvis</u>	<u>Humber</u>	<u>Riley</u>
Current Term Total:	2822	2901	2952	2846

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
w/c 14.10.2019	Book Fair in School
14.10.2019	9-12.30- Parent Workshop – by invitation only 4pm-7pm – Parents evening – by appointment only
15.10.2019	2.30pm – 5pm – Parents evening – by appointment only Y2 – Y6 – School photos
16.10.2019	3.45pm & 5.30pm – Y1 Reading Workshop for Parents
17.10.2019	Nursery, YR & Y1 – School photo – details to follow
18.10.2019	School closed for children – Teacher Training Day
21.10-25.10.2019	Half term
28.10.2019	School re-opened – all pupils to attend 3.45pm & 5.30pm – YR Reading Meeting for Parents
30.10.2019	Y6 Families visiting Whitley Academy for Halloween crafts
31.10.2019	KS2 – Diwali Assembly – Parents invited
01.11.2019	KS1 Achievement Assembly – Y2 Sycamore Showcase
05.11.2019	New Reception children 2020 tour
07.11.2019	Y5 Silver Birch Class Assembly
08.11.2019	KS2 Achievement Assembly – Y4 Pine Assembly
w/c 11.11.2019	Anti-Bullying Week
13.11.2019	Flu vaccines – YR-Y6
15.11.2019	Children in Need Event TBC
22.11.2019	KS1 Achievement Assembly – Y1 Maple Showcase
w/c 25.11.2019	Last week of Clubs-except of Monday`s clubs
28.11.2019	Y5 Cedar Class Assembly YR Hearing Test
29.11.2019	KS2 Achievement Assembly – Y6 Showcase
w/c 02.12.2019	Test week
05.12.2019	YR Trip to Warwick Arts Centre 9am – Y4 Yew Class Assembly
06.12.2019	Y1 Trip to Warwick Arts Centre 9am – KS1 Achievement Assembly – Y2 Aspen Showcase
10.12.2019	2pm & 5.30pm - YR, Y1 and Y2 Christmas Performance, tickets available from 31.10.19
11.12.2019	Y3/Y4 Theatre Trip to see Peter Pan – details to follow
12.12.2019	Y5/Y6 Theatre Trip to see Peter Pan – details to follow
13.12.2019	2pm – 3.15pm - Nursery, Reception and KS1 Christmas Crafts
17.12.2019	11.30am – School Christmas Lunch for pupils
20.12.2019	Last day of school before Christmas
23.12.2019 – 03.01.2020	Christmas Break
06.01.2019	Back to school



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 27th Sep

Year 1 Ash - Salahuddin & Finlay
 Year 1 Maple - Lexi & Andrew
 Year 2 Sycamore - Jacob & Paige
 Year 2 Aspen - Minnie & Raja

Stars of the Week Friday 4th October

Year 3 Oak - Bella-Rose & Leylan
 Year 3 Elm - Leo & Betsy
 Year 4 Yew - Alex & Joseph-James
 Year 4 Pine - Maria & Eliza
 Year 5 Silver Birch - Noah & Beau
 Year 5 Cedar - Rubie-Lea & Oliver

Congratulations and keep up the good work!





EXPERIENCE COVENTRY BLAZE ICE HOCKEY AND SKATE FOR FREE AFTER THE GAME!!

Adults £10 Under-16's £7
Max 5 per-person

Sunday 13th October vs. Cardiff Devils
Skydome Arena, Croft Rd, Coventry CV1 3AZ

 **5.30pm**
Elite League
Game ends and skating begins approx. 7.30pm

To book email: coventryblazehockey@gmail.com
Quote the name of our school

Collect and pay for the tickets (in cash) on the night of the game.

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Enjoy the show.