

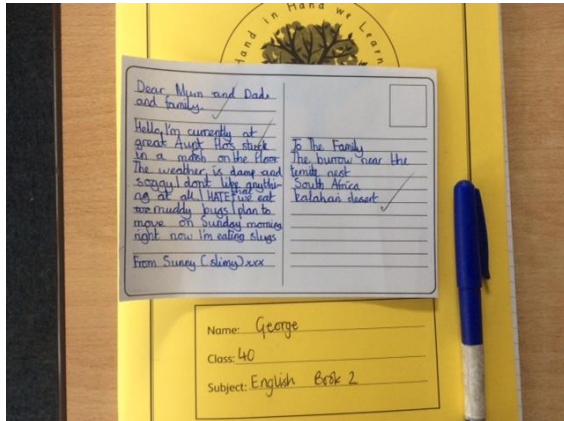


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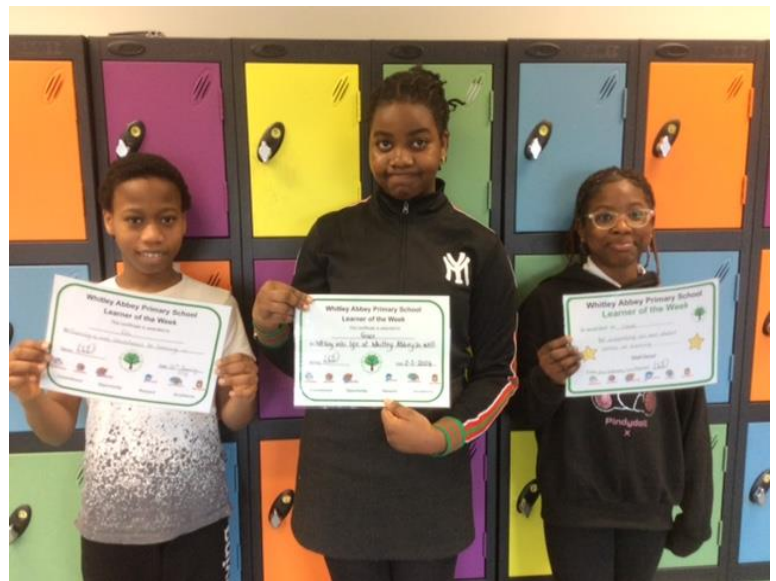
Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you all well as we approach the half term holiday. It has been a short half term, and we have all worked hard to try to fit in exciting learning opportunities for the children.



This term the children have been reading *Meerkat Mail*, one of my favourite books. This has provided inspiration to the children for writing. The children in Year 4 wrote postcards from Sunny to his parents following his journey to other lands. Sunny is beginning to realise that life is not always better away from his home and family.

In our Celebration Assembly today we were able to reward a number of children from each class for making good choices this week. I was very pleased to see how kind some children have been welcoming new children to our school. We are now full in every class except Year 6. A number of children in year 6 have impressed their teachers with their knowledge about decimals and won Mathematics Champion today. Thank you to all the parents who attended the SATs Parents Meeting on Wednesday and those who came to the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check Meeting on Monday. It was lovely to see you all. We hope you found them useful in preparation for the tests in May and June. We want our children to be well prepared, so they do their very best and your support makes a difference. If you have any concerns or need any help, please contact the class teacher.



Every week the House Captains count the House Points and for the first time ever, there was a draw between Attenborough and Malala. Each house had 285 and so we put the red and yellow ribbons on the trophy. Congratulations to 40 who had the best attendance last week 99.3%. As well as the Attendance trophy the children will get an extended playtime for doing so well.



The Stay and Play session organised by Mrs Taylor on Tuesday morning was well attended and I hope you got some great activity ideas. Mrs Taylor who is a Family Support Worker will be leaving the school at half term and we wish her all the very best for the future.

After half term Mrs Davis 4D will be on maternity leave and Mrs Ferguson will be covering the class. She worked with the children when they were in year 3 and so she knows many of our children.



We are organising a Creative Arts Week in school after half term and the focus will be on *Landscapes and Painting*.



If we have any keen or talented parents who would like to get involved, please send in your pictures and we can all inspire our children. We are all looking forward to seeing the children develop their drawing and painting skills. You will be able to see some of the pictures from each year on parents evening. In addition to this, the Year 6 Reading Team who have been meeting weekly with me, will be taking part in the Library Quiz against other schools at the library. So, there is lots to look forward to next half term.



Congratulations to Mr James on the birth of his child! He will be returning next week following paternity leave and clubs will resume after half term. A letter will go out for clubs during our first week back, to avoid disappointment please book places quickly.

Kind Regards

Mr Robbie Walker

Headteacher

Whitley Abbey Primary School



Happy Birthday to the following children



Forename	Forename	Forename	Forename	Forename	Forename
Vamika	Manvith	Talya	Irorun	Siyan	Courtney-Leigh
Karl-Lewis	Millie-Brooke	Aniyah	Haniya	Kian	Diaaeddin
Sylvie	Ritisha	Berty	Cezar	Neehara	Matheo
Kanishk	Leyna	Hadriel	Nathan	Aryan	Jensen
Sri	Megan	Steffina	Kavin	Noah	Faith-Avay
Amy	Ishan	Grace	Charumithra	Eli Joseph	Kaka
Nika	Rory	Sofia	Maisie-Marie	Harrie	Destiny
Guragadhodh	Temitope	Callum	Nittilnegan	Scarlet	Aibel
Swara	Daraley	Barbara	Olivia-Mae	Logan	Hadyah
Nathaniel	Pfion	Elissa Raine	Kyan	Tilly	Folawe
Amelia	Renee	Annie	Tyler	Dereen	Raja
Isabella	Prathith	Oscar	Teeda-Marie	Blossom	Olivia
Dhruv	Dyuthi	Fionn	Mercy	Dempsey	Scarlett
Navisha	Nova	Hannah	Millie	Kayden	Grzegorz
Yalini	Theodora	Ethan	Keeva	Alfie	Macie
Kevin-Adam	Lucas	Dimuth	Eric	Evie	Harshith



Dates for your diary

<u>Date 2024</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday 5th February	YR & Y6 Heights and Weights
Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet Day
Friday 9th February	Last Day of School Break up for Half Term
Monday 19th February	All Pupils Return to School
Monday 19th February	Y6 Herbert Art Gallery Trip
w/c Monday 19th February	Creative Art Week
Monday 4th March	Parents Evening YR, Y2, Y4, Y6 - 3:45 – 6:15
Tuesday 5th March	Parents Evening Nursery, Y1, Y3, Y5 - 3:45 – 6:15
Wednesday 6th March	Parents Evening YR, Y2, Y4, Y6 - 3:45 – 6:15
Thursday 7th March	Parents Evening Nursery, Y1, Y3, Y5 - 3:45 – 6:15
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day
Friday 22nd March	Last day of School break up for Easter – NON-UNIFORM DAY
Monday 8th April	School Closed (Teacher Training Day)
Tuesday 9th April	All Pupils Return to School