

Newsletter Issue № 7

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school, I hope you all had a good Easter and managed to dodge the daily showers. It has been great to see the children back looking smart and wearing their Spring smiles.

The week before Easter was very exciting with some of our children observing Ramadan and now Eid. Anne Richards from St James church led our whole school assembly on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, and I would like to thank her for giving up her time to share the Easter message with everyone. Year 1 went to the SnowDome in Tamworth and the children enjoyed having fun in the snow. Thank you to all the parents who came along as helpers.

You will all be aware by now that Miss Donnelly is now on maternity leave and her class 2D is being covered by Mrs Beniston. I hope the parents of children in 2D get the chance to say hello to her this week.

Although yesterday was the first day back for children, we had a Professional Development Day on Monday. We use this time for different purposes all linked to school improvement and the following areas were reviewed and developed.

- 1. Teach Like a Champion- principles
- 2. Anti-bullying Policy review
- 3. Design and Technology subject development.
- 4. Special Educational Needs roles and responsibilities

Pupils are proud of their school. Leaders want the very best for every pupil. They have implemented a range of changes, which are having a positive impact on pupils' achievement.

Following the successful OFSTED inspection in the Summer term, we are working hard to continue to improve the quality of education on offer at Whitley Abbey. We have established effective working partnerships with Meadow Park, Tiverton and other local Coventry schools in order that we can learn from each other. Recently we joined the staff at Meadow Park for some training on leadership and supporting vulnerable children. This was the first of many collaborations that will benefit all our children.

There is one change I wanted to make you aware of for September 2024 regarding School Uniform. Following the consultation we held in the Autumn term, the children in Years 2-6 will be wearing clip on ties from September 2024. A large majority stated that they thought ties were a good idea because they made the children look smart. behave well and this would raise expectations. We appreciate that not everyone was positive about this change, especially in the younger years and so we have listened and responded to your comments. The





first ties will be given to the children in these year groups at the end of this term and so there will be no additional cost. Please note that V necked jumpers/cardigans and white shirts will be required.



Kind Regards

Mr Robbie Walker

Headteacher

Whitley Abbey Primary School



## Happy Birthday to the following children



Forename	Year	Forename	Year	Forename	Year
Rhythm	Nursery2	John-J	Year 01	Brody	Year 03
Veer	Nursery2	Minugu	Year 01	Jolene	Year 03
Haran	Nursery2	Thea	Year 01	Henry	Year 04
Tremaine	Nursery2	Casey	Year 02	lbby	Year 04
Adam James	Nursery2	Anvikaa	Year 02	Abbas	Year 04
Marcie	Year R	Luna	Year 02	Jace	Year 04
Dhanvith Reddy	Year R	Baraa	Year 02	Annabelle	Year 05
Daiwik	Year R	Jahmai	Year 02	Marley	Year 05
Sayed	Year R	lvor	Year 02	Andrew	Year 05
Oliver	Year R	Ava-Joyce	Year 02	Harrison	Year 06
Edie	Year R	Sienna-Rose	Year 02	Janice	Year 06
Suhirtha	Year R	Dikeoha	Year 02	Sophie	Year 06

## Dates for your diary

<u>Date 2024</u>	<u>Event</u>		
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	School Closed – Bank Holiday		
W/C Monday 13th May	Y6 SATs Week		
W/C Monday 20th May	Y6 Fundraising Week		
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Y4 West Midlands Safari Park Trip		
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Last day of School break up for Whitsun		
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	School Closed (Teacher Training Day)		
Tuesday 4th June	All Pupils Return to School		
Monday 17th June	Sports Day Nursery & Reception (time to be confirmed)		



Tuesday 18th June	Y2 Trip to Weston Super Mare	
Tuesday 18th June	Sports Day Y5/6 - 2:00 - 3:20	
Wednesday 19th June	Sports Day Y3/4 - 2:00 - 3:20	
Thursday 20th June	Sports Day Y1/2 - 2:00 - 3:20	
Wednesday 26th June	YR Trip to Paradise Farm	
W/C Monday 1st July	Careers Week	
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Transition Day	
Tuesday 9th July	Y6 go to Dol-y-Moch	
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to go out to Parents – Nursery - Y5	
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Y6 Return from Dol-y-Moch	
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports to go out to Parents – Y6	
Thursday 18th July	Y6 Leavers Party	
Friday 19th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly	
Friday 19th July	Last Day of Term – Non Uniform Day	

