



Newsletter

Issue No 1

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school everyone! It has been great to see you all returning after the summer holidays. We have enjoyed hearing about the exciting holiday adventures. The children all look very smart in their new ties. They look smart and think smart!



September is a month of new beginnings in school and there are lots of changes happening for us all. We have been impressed with how well the children have settled into their new classes. They have been reminded what the expectations are. We shared this poem in our whole school assembly on Monday.

S is for the summertime that's ending, the signs begin to show.

E is for the evenings that get darker as shorter now they grow.

P is for the pears and apples, cherries, too, that hang upon the bough.

T is for time, time to pick and gather them for they are ready now.

E is for everywhere in fields and woods where colours glow, yellow, red and gold.

M is for the mornings getting cooler. We begin to feel the cold.

B is for the birds that gather to leave our shores.

E is for everything that's ripened to be placed in winter stores.

R is the reminder that autumn's almost here. The year again is passing and winter's drawing near.

Some children wrote their own *September* poems and shared them with me this week.

Some changes that I would like to let you know about include the implementation of a new Personal, Social, Health and Economic curriculum. We are using the *Jigsaw PSHE* curriculum which utilises a Mindfulness approach. The children have been introduced to the *Jiggies* and *Jerrie Cat*. On Monday they took part in the first assembly and lesson about *Being Me in My World*. The children will have their PSHE lessons on Mondays from 11-12 and they will be taught by their class teachers. We will be utilising floor books to record the learning in. I have witnessed this being used in other schools and the impact on children's learning was fantastic. We will be putting more information about this on the school website if you would like to know more.



The second area of curriculum change will be in the teaching of Religious Education. We, along with many schools will be using the new Coventry RE Syllabus.



Following a review of Homework and after consulting parents, staff and children, we have put together our Homework Guidelines document. There are going to be few major changes to what we are providing.

Homework teaches children how to problem solve. Homework gives children another opportunity to review class material. Homework gives parents a chance to see what is being learned in school. Homework teaches children how to take responsibility for their part in the educational process.

Today we announced the roles and responsibilities for our Y6 children. The staff team spent time discussing which children demonstrated our Core Learning values and our Character values. Leadership and resilience are two essential life skills, and we feel these children should be role models. Congratulations to you all.



Year 6 Responsibilities	
	Pupils Names
Head Boy (JLT)	Adi 6O
Head Girl (JLT)	Trisha 6O
Deputy Head Boy	Aarav 6O
Deputy Head Girl	Tilly 6D
House Captain Attenborough	Musa 6D
House Captain Malala	Andrew A 6D
House Captain Mandela	Alice 6O
House Captain Austen	Courtney-Leigh 6O
Sports Leaders	Matilda 6D Dempsey 6O Kayden 6O Blossom 6D Santana 6O Andrew M 6D
Young Librarians	Annabelle 6D Sangana 6O Finlay 6O Lexi 6D Meera 6D Talha 6D
Forest School Helpers	Jayden 6O Aiden 6D
All Y6 children will be Buddies for Reception Children decided later	



Eight children from Y5 have joined the Junior PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) scheme this week and they had their first session with Matt, Adam and Jack. They learnt the phonetic alphabet and are looking forward to the next session on Thursday next week.

Finally, can I ask all children walking home to take care crossing roads and walking on paths. We have had reports that some older children are weaving in and out of parked cars and are on the road.



Kind Regards,

Mr Robbie Walker
 Headteacher
 Whitley Abbey Primary School

House Points WB 9/9/24

- 1st Malala- 134**
- 2nd Mandela- 117**
- 3rd Attenborough 114**
- 4th Austen- 104**

Every house had over 100 house points! Well done, Malala!



Happy Birthday to the following children



Forename	Year	Forename	Year	Forename	Year	Forename	Year
Reggie	Nursery2	Ruaa Sufia	Year 01	Kavin Karthik	Year 03	Anna	Year 05
Joni	Nursery2	Skyler	Year 01	Amelia-Rose	Year 03	Ishan	Year 05
Rosie	Year R	Neda	Year 01	David	Year 03	Sengan	Year 05
Ella	Year R	Fatima	Year 01	Sanchi	Year 03	Amelia-Lilly	Year 05
Trishika	Year R	Poppy	Year 01	Anand	Year 03	Zoila	Year 05
Sadvith	Year R	Daneen	Year 01	Charvi	Year 04	Sarveshwaran	Year 06
Steven	Year R	Mia	Year 02	Joseph	Year 04	Soraya	Year 06
Alaiyah-Rose	Year R	Robyn	Year 02	Carmen	Year 04	Trisha	Year 06
Ansh	Year R	Carlo	Year 02	Rosa	Year 04	Aaron	Year 06
William	Year R	Larissa	Year 02	Yazhini	Year 04	Musa	Year 06
Fi Fi	Year R	Anvith	Year 02	Freddie	Year 04	Enyinnaya	Year 06
Willow	Year R	Layla	Year 02	Yousuf	Year 04	Eesha	Year 06
Lottie	Year R	Synandri	Year 02	Anaaya	Year 04	Matin	Year 06
Ira	Year R	Robyn	Year 02	Amelia	Year 04	Sanganaa	Year 06
Maria	Year 01	Coriee-Jhay	Year 02	Leila	Year 05	Aditya	Year 06



Dates for your diary

<u>Date 2024</u>	<u>Event</u>
Wednesday 25 th September	Y6 Parents Meeting (3:30 – 4:15)
Thursday 26 th September	Coffee Morning (9:00 – 10:30)
Tuesday 1 st October	International Day Lunch Menu & Dress Up
Tuesday 1 st October	African Dance Workshop Y3-6
Tuesday 8 th October	School Photographs (NURSERY PM, Y2/3/4/5/6)
Thursday 10 th October	School Photographs (NURSERY AM, YR & 1)
W/C Monday 14 th October	School Book Fair
Tuesday 22 nd October	Y6 Visit to Warwick University
Thursday 24 th October	Coffee Morning (9:00 – 10:30)
Thursday 24 th October	Last day of School break up for half term
Friday 25 th October	School Closed (Teacher Training Day)
Monday 4 th November	All pupils return to school
Friday 8 th November	Y6 Dol-y-Moch Residential Trip
W/C 11 th November	Anti-bullying Week
Tuesday 12 th November	Odd Socks Day
Tuesday 12 th November	Y6 Return from Dol-y-Moch
Monday 18 th November	Parents Evening (Nursery Y1/3/5) 3:30 – 6:00
Tuesday 19 th November	Parents Evening (YR/2/4/6) 3:30 – 6:00
Tuesday 19 th November	Flu Immunisation YR – Y6
Wednesday 20 th November	Parents Evening (Nursery Y1/3/5) 3:30 – 6:00
Thursday 21 st November	Parents Evening (YR/2/4/6) 3:30 – 6:00
Thursday 21 st November	Coffee Morning (9:00 – 10:30)

