



Newsletter

Issue No 5

The arrangements for safeguarding are effective.

Leaders know pupils and their families well. They are alert to local and current risks and adapt their curriculum to ensure that pupils learn about how to keep themselves safe, including online. OFSTED 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well and are enjoying the warmer weather this half term. We had a professional photographer in school this term and he has taken some great pictures of the learning in school. We intend to update all our marketing materials with these pictures over the next twelve months.

We have started the new Jigsaw PSHE learning, *Changing Me* and the children have enjoyed learning about things that will be different in the future and that this is an inevitable part of growing up. We are preparing them for mental and physical changes and for next year in school. This can be a complicated area to teach due to the children's different starting points and so please be prepared for some questions from curious children.

Our partnership with the local *Community Police* force continues to strengthen and in order to teach the children about *British Values* and the *rule of law*, we have organised a number of parent and student workshops. Our curriculum focus this year has been on developing the Health and Wellbeing through a number of initiatives such as mindfulness through PSHE, My Happy Mind Programmes, and staff training on understanding neurodiversity. We are very grateful for the support and advice provided by Mat Chaser and his team.



Making Good Choices- Monday 7th July 2.30pm-3.30pm Parent Workshop. Come and try the VR Headsets to see what the Y6 children will be learning. On **Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th July** from **9am-12pm**, Y6 will take part in the Making Good Choices workshop with the VR Headsets.

Travelling Safely to School- Monday 15th September Y6 workshop on how to get to and from school safely.

Online Safety- Wednesday 8th October workshop for Y5 from 1.00-2.00pm and Y6 from 2.00-3.00pm.

Thursday 9th October Parents Online Safety Workshop 3.40-4.40 and repeated from 5.00-6.00 for working parents.

Junior PCSOs- Following the success of last year's Junior PCSOs, we will be running this again next term for Y5. The sessions will start on **Thursday 11th September** and finish on **Thursday 9th October**. The children interested will be chosen from present Y4 before the summer holidays.

Careers Week- We are busy planning the annual Careers Week and the Community Police will be joining us on **Tuesday 1st July** from **9am-12pm** to talk about what it's like to be a Police Officer. If you would like to talk to the children about your chosen career, please contact Sam Carter our Deputy Headteacher.



Well done to all the children in Y4 who worked so hard and took the *Multiplication Table Check* last week. We are looking forward to seeing how well they have done. Last year our average was 20 out of 25. Knowing your times tables will enable the children to carry out more complex problem solving and calculations quicker. On a similar theme, we have been delighted to see so many Y1 and Y2 children doing well in the phonics screening test this week. There is nothing more important than learning to read. We are predicting better results than last year when 72% of children in Y1 passed. Thank you to all the parents who have helped and supported their children.

Y2 and Y5 went on trips yesterday, with Y2 going to Weston Super Mare and Y5 going to St John's in Warwick. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to go. Without you it would have been difficult to go. I hope the children have some happy memories to take away from the day.

You will have noticed that the swimming pool has arrived and is on the front playground. We are looking forward to teaching the older children how to swim 25m and survival skills. Can I ask you to ensure your child/children are well supervised and within your sight, at the beginning and end of the day, especially while the pool is with us.

Next week we will be able to inform you who your child's teachers will be ready for the transition day on Wednesday 2nd July. Some children will have an enhanced transition package, to support the changes into a new year group.

Kind Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robbie Walker', with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Mr Robbie Walker

Headteacher

Whitley Abbey Primary School



Happy Birthday to the following children



| Forename | Year | Forename | Year | Forename | Year |
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| Surafel | Nursery2 | Lena | Year 03 | Shana | Year 05 |
| Hima Varshini | Nursery2 | Ayush | Year 03 | Ardra | Year 05 |
| Janan | Nursery2 | Abdul Hadi | Year 03 | Alfie | Year 05 |
| Lola-Rose | Nursery2 | Ji Chau | Year 03 | Filip | Year 05 |
| Zakari | Year R | Ava Jane | Year 03 | Elizabeth | Year 05 |
| Sathvik | Year R | Morich | Year 03 | Jasmine-Rose | Year 05 |
| Julian | Year R | Kingsley | Year 04 | Lameira | Year 05 |
| Anvi | Year R | Louisa | Year 04 | Rebecca | Year 05 |
| Leah-Elise | Year 01 | Allana | Year 04 | Etanami | Year 05 |
| Remi-Mae | Year 01 | Regan | Year 04 | Shravan | Year 05 |
| George | Year 01 | Sai | Year 04 | Samuel | Year 05 |
| Athena | Year 01 | Ozinna | Year 04 | Alex | Year 05 |
| Michael | Year 01 | Finlee | Year 04 | Santana | Year 06 |
| Ivaan | Year 02 | Jwd | Year 05 | Matilda | Year 06 |
| Jaiden | Year 02 | Leo | Year 05 | Jayden | Year 06 |
| Isabella | Year 02 | Casiana | Year 05 | Scarlet | Year 06 |
| Mohnish | Year 02 | Isla | Year 05 | Ellie | Year 06 |
| Mason | Year 02 | Madison | Year 05 | Sarlota | Year 06 |
| Aamila | Year 02 | Noah | Year 05 | Chloe | Year 06 |
| Alan | Year 03 | | | Finlay | Year 06 |

Dates for your diary

| <u>Date 2024</u> | <u>Event</u> |
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| Monday 16th June | Pools for Schools – Swimming Pool Arriving until Friday 4th July |
| W/C Monday 30th June | Careers Week |
| Wednesday 2nd July | Transition Day |
| W/C Monday 7th July | Sports Week (children to wear PE kit every day this week) |
| Monday 7th July | Nursery & YR Sports Afternoon 2:00 – 3:20 – Parents Welcome |
| Monday 7th July | PCSO Parent Workshop for VR Headsets 2:30 – 3:30 |
| Tuesday 8th July | Y1 & Y2 Sports Afternoon 2:00 – 3:20 – Parents Welcome |
| Wednesday 9th July | Y3 & Y4 Sports Afternoon 2:00 – 3:20 – Parents Welcome |
| Thursday 10th July | Y5 & Y6 Sports Afternoon 2:00 – 3:20 – Parents Welcome |
| Friday 11th July | School Reports go out to Parents |
| Monday 14th July | Y1 Coombe Abbey Trip |
| Thursday 17th July | Y6 Leavers Party |
| Friday 18th July | Y6 Leavers Assembly |
| Friday 18th July | Last Day of School – Break Up for Summer Holiday. Non-Uniform Day |



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| Monday 1st September | LA Teacher Training Day – School Closed to Children |
| Tuesday 2nd September | All Children Return to School |
| Friday 3rd October | YR & Y6 Heights and Weights |
| Tuesday 7th October | School Photographs |
| Thursday 9th October | School Photographs |
| Friday 10th October – Thursday 16th October | School Book Fair – More information to follow |

