



Excellence at Whittle



Whittle Weekly

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What's been happening this week.....

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am so proud of all of the children at Whittle this week - they have been fantastic! A big well done to the children in Year 6 for approaching their SATs tests with such determination and maturity. The children in Year 2 have also started their tests and have been trying very hard to show us all that they have learned. It has been great to see so many children joining us for breakfast club this week too!



I would also like to thank those of you who came to the Phonic Workshop yesterday. The feedback from Miss Morgan was that it all went very well. I hope that you found the take away resources really useful and that the session will help you to support your child with learning their sounds at home. I think the posters would be great to stick up on the fridge!



On a 'spotty' note, this week we have had a number of children in Nursery and Reception with chicken pox. Please be on the look out for any blistery spots that your child may have. Once chicken pox has been confirmed, children need to be away from school until the blistery spots have all dried over. I hope that any children who are poorly at the moment get well soon! We are looking forward to seeing you back in school.

Can I remind you that you should not be coming into the school car park to drop your children off to school. It is making it difficult for some of the staff to be able to park. Thank you.



Although the forecast for the weekend looks a little bit gloomy, this week we have been lucky to see the sun come out! Please can you make sure that as the weather gets hotter, you apply sun cream to your child before they come into school. Also remember to send them with a sunhat and their water bottles. Let's keep our fingers crossed that the sun sticks around!



Finally, congratulations to the 3 classes that achieved 100% attendance - second time in a row for 2M and 5/6TA. Well done to class 5/6JA for joining them.

We have introduced a new part to Friday's Award Assembly to celebrate children's out of school achievements, so if they have anything to bring in and show, then it would be great to see.

Brownies

*Enjoy your weekend,
Mrs Harris*



Summer Trips

Letters have now been sent home about the trips in the Summer Term.

Years 1&2 are going to Beaumanor Hall on 19th June at a cost of £14.

Years 3&4 are going to Ryton Pool on June 17th at a cost of £11.

Years 5&6 are going to Coombe on June 18th at a cost of £5.70.

All the trips can be paid in instalments on Agora. Please remember to send the consent slips back into school as well.

Thank you.



Class attendance for last week..

Class	%
Nursery	86.6
Reception	85.0
R/1K	89.0
1/2A	95.8
2M	100
3/4H	97.7
3/4S	95.4
5/6TA	100
5/6C	97.7
5/6JA	100
Whole School	95.0



News from around the School



EYFS The weather has been beautiful and the children have had a lovely time exploring the outdoor area. They have helped to clean up the area and wash the outdoor toys. This week in Nursery the children have been looking at a new story called 'Charlie's Vegetables'. They have been learning about the different vegetables and where they come from. In the messy tuff tray the children have had the opportunity to make pictures using a variety of vegetables.

In Reception the children have been busy writing letters to the Little Red Hen to say they are sorry because they did not help her. During carpet time the children have been discussing why it is important to be kind and helpful. **As Mrs Harris has also said, with the weather getting warmer, please provide your child with a named sunhat and apply sun cream before they come into school.**

YEARS 3 / 4

It has been a busy week in school with SATs for Years 2 and 6. In Years 3 and 4 we have been continuing to learn our new topic, with an emphasis this week on Geography.



Our focus has been the continents and oceans of the world. We have looked at maps, atlases and used online maps to locate countries of the world and find capital cities. We have also looked at populations. This is the start of developing our knowledge of the world that we live in. Some of us are clearly inspired by the world we live in and have amazing facts to share. Ask us about what we have found out about the world we live in so far! Quad kids competition will be next Friday for some of our year 4 children. Enjoy the sunshine.

YEARS 1 / 2

It has been another exciting and busy week in Key Stage 1! We have been so impressed with the mature and positive attitude that the Year 2 children are showing towards their first week of SATs. They are all working extremely hard and we are so proud of each and every one of them! It has also been lovely to see so many Year 2 children at our free SATs breakfast club too.

Breakfast club



This club will continue to run next week, from Monday to Thursday. All the SATs will be finished on Thursday.

Year 1 children have also been working hard. This week they have had lots of opportunities to take their learning outdoors in the sunshine. In addition to their usual lessons, they have been helping Mrs Adcock plant lots of new fruit bushes and flowers in the Garden Area of the playground.



YEAR 5 Year 5 have had an interesting week experimenting with water. They were set the challenge of purifying some very dirty water so that it could be drunk. They have also created a floating garden. It was wonderful to hear them collaborating together to problem solve - great team work Year 5!

YEAR 6 We cannot praise our Year 6 children highly enough this week. Each day, they came into school with a smile despite knowing that the pressure was on with their SATs tests. Every single child tried their very best and demonstrated maturity and resilience as the week went on. We are very proud of them and think they are wonderful. Well done Year 6s - you are all stars!



KS1 - Lakshana

Lunchtime Awards

KS2 - Delight



Awarded by the dinner ladies to children who have shown excellent manners and impeccable behaviour during lunchtimes.

MERITS FROM TODAY

REC	Marvel "...is helpful, kind and thoughtful. She loves to learn and always tries her best..."
R/1K	Lakshana "...has really impressed me with the progress she has made with her reading and writing..."
1/2A	Taim "...has made a really good start to his learning journey at Whittle..."
2M	Zara "...for her improved concentration during all lessons and her hard work..."
3/4H	Eden "...is fabulous to have in our class. She is a positive ray of sunshine..."
3/4S	Lacey-May "...has been a maths whizz recently. Her work on fractions has been fantastic..."
5/6C	Ebad "...for the resilience he has demonstrated during SATs. I have been so impressed..."
5/6JA	Oliwia "...her multiplication work over the past week has been brilliant..."
5/6TA	Georgia "...we are so proud of you! You have shown tremendous effort in your learning..."

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