



# Headteacher's Newsletter

**September 2018** ISSUE 1

**Dear Parents and Carers,**



Welcome to the new school year and I do hope all of our families had an enjoyable break.

The Autumn term is always busy, with many children just starting school and older children getting back into the school routine after the holidays. I am pleased to say that the children have settled in really well.

## Meet the Teacher sessions

Parents of children in Years 1 and 2 are invited to meet their child's teacher at **2:45pm on Tuesday 11th September** in your child's classroom.

Parents of children in Reception are invited to meet their child's teacher at **9:10am on Friday 14th September** in the school hall.

## Contact Details



If you have changed your phone number, address or email address over the holidays, please visit the main school office to let us know as soon as possible.

## Reception

A reminder of the timings for Reception children for the next few weeks:

10/09/18 - 14/09/18 8:45am-12 Noon

17/09/18 - 21/09/18 8:45am-1:15pm  
(children stay for lunch)

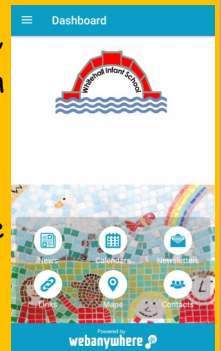
24/09/18 onwards 8:45am-3:25pm (full day)

Parents of children in Reception are invited to a **lunchtime taster session on Thursday 13th September at 11:30am in the hall.**

## **Have you downloaded our App?**

Access information such as the notices, calendar, contacts and newsletters with ease! You will be also able to receive notifications of any upcoming events.

To download, visit the *Google App store* or the *Apple App store* and search for 'School Jotter'. Once downloaded, select Whitehall Infant School from the dropdown list.



## Punctuality



It has been great to see most children arriving at school on time, ready to learn. Keep up the good work! Please remember it is very important that your child arrives at school on time to ensure a smooth start to the day.

## Nursery Open Day

This will be held on **Wednesday 12th September** at **9:30am-11:30am** and **1:30pm-3:30pm** in the nursery.

## School Tour

I would like to invite all parents that are new to Whitehall Infant School to have a tour of the school on **Tuesday 18th September at 9:15am.**

To book a place on this tour please call 01895 590112 or email [office@mail.whitehallinf.org](mailto:office@mail.whitehallinf.org)

## Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating Harvest Festival later this month and are holding two Harvest Festival assemblies:

**Thursday 27th September 2:45pm Year 2**

**Friday 28th September 9:15am Year 1**



We ask for donations of non-perishable food items which will be donated to our local foodbank. Each class will make up a harvest box for our festival celebration.



I am hoping that some of our children have taken part in the library's Summer Reading challenge over the holidays.

We would love to celebrate your child's success so do please ask your child to bring in their certificate.

### Breakfast Club

Our breakfast club for children in Reception - Year 2 is now open. Places must be booked in advance. If you wish to book your child in to breakfast club, please visit the main school office

### After School Club

Following the results of our recent survey, we are currently looking at the possibility of starting an after school club for our children. You will soon receive a letter asking you to register your interest. We will only be able to run the after school club if there is sufficient interest.

## Open Days

We will be holding two open days this year for prospective parents

**Tuesday 6th November 6pm - 7pm**

**Tuesday 13th November 10am - 11am**

If you or anyone you know has a child that is due to start nursery / reception next September this would be a great opportunity to see Whitehall Infant School.

Please call **01895 590112** or email **office@mail.whitehallinf.org** to book a place.

### Goodbye

Sadly we have said goodbye to one of cleaners, Mrs Colyer. Mrs Colyer has been with us for many years both as a cleaner and as an SMSA. We wish her all the best for the future.

### Message from Welfare



- ◆ If your child has an allergy that is treated by the hospital, please make sure that you let us know.
- ◆ If your child has an EpiPen, we must have two of their EpiPens at school.
- ◆ If your child has asthma, we must have 2 of their inhalers at school
- ◆ If your child has a medical care plan in place, please ensure that we have a copy of this in school

If you have any queries regarding this, please pop in to the main school office who will be happy to help.

**JOB OPENING**

### Cleaner Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a cleaner for 5 days a week between 3:30pm and 5:30pm, all year round. If you are interested in this vacancy, please collect more information and an application form from the main school office.



### Birthdays



We appreciate that children like to celebrate their birthdays but please remember that we are unable to hand out any food items. If your child would like to share something with their class then we ask that you provide a small gift such as a pencil or a book to share with the class.

### Parking



- Please remember to park carefully and with consideration for others.
- Parking is not permitted on the yellow zigzag lines outside of the school. Parking fines will be issued to those who park on these lines.
- Parking permits are available to purchase from the council for a small cost to park in the marked bays on the roads surrounding the school during the school run times. Please collect a permit application form from the main school office
- Parking fines will be issued to cars parked on the yellow lines surrounding the school
- Cotswold Close is a private road. Parking is not permitted in this road
- Please remember that the car park is for use by staff only.



### Whitehall Infant School Parents' Association

The Parents' Association is run by a group of volunteering parents and carers who give up a small amount of time to plan, organise and run fundraising events at the school. Throughout the year they will meet up before upcoming events to plan the even in detail.

They work in close relationship with the school to ensure the funds raised are used for extra curricular activities to enhance the learning experience for every child at the school.

If you would like more details about joining the committee, please leave your details at the main school office or email [pawhitehallinfants@gmail.com](mailto:pawhitehallinfants@gmail.com).

### UNIFORM

It is lovely to see the children looking so smart in their school uniform. Please find below a reminder of the school uniform:

#### Essential Items

- Plain or Whitehall logo red sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan.
- White shirt / blouse, red or white plain polo shirt.
- Grey or black trousers, skirt, pinafore dress, leggings or ski-pants.
- Red, white or grey socks / tights.
- Footwear - Sensible black shoes.. Plain black trainers are acceptable - no logos. Plain black boots are allowed in the winter.
- PE kit - plain black shorts, plain white t-shirt and long plain black jogging bottoms (required for sessions taking place outside). Plimsoles/trainers. No lace up shoes please.
- Summer Term Only - Red and white gingham or striped dress, grey or black shorts
- \* Religious headcovering - red / black / grey or white. Plain colours only please. Please ensure that it is shoulder length, not elbow length.
- \* Hair accessories - Bows should be no larger than 10cm from end to end
- \* Children only require a bookbag and a drawstring PE bag, not a rucksack.

School uniform can be bought from PMG Schoolwear, Waterloo Road, Uxbridge, UB8 2RA.

Polo shirts, plain skirts and trousers can be purchased from supermarkets or high street stores.

I am grateful to parents for the effort they put into ensuring their children have the correct uniform and represent the school positively.

**Please remember to name all of your child's clothes and belongings.**

## Welcome

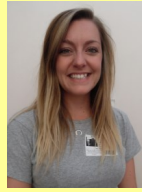
I would like to welcome some new members of staff to Whitehall Infant School.



Mr Stainer  
Assistant Headteacher  
for Inclusion



Mrs Williams  
SENCO



Miss Heapy  
Pine Class  
Teacher



Mrs Allen  
Willow Class Teacher  
(except Wednesdays)



Mrs Kirshen  
Willow Class Teacher  
(Wednesdays only)

## Staff

A quick reminder of our teaching staff and other personnel for this year. A full staff list is available on our website within 'Key Information -Staff and Governor List'.

### Nursery Team

Mrs McLucas (Nursery Teacher), Mrs Rout, Mrs Fawssett & Mrs Witcher

### Reception

Larch Mrs Bir (Year Group Leader) & Miss Alley

Cedar Mrs Perkowska & Mrs Sini

Spruce Mrs Caba & Mrs Armaghan

Birch Mrs Jamil & Miss Fatima

### Year One

Elm Mrs McWhinney-Tripp (Assistant Head & Year Group Leader) & Miss Lyford

Willow Mrs Allen / Mrs Kirshen & Mrs Sidhu

Beech Miss Wright & Mrs Handa

Pine Miss Heapy & Mrs Hussain

### Year Two

Toucan Ms Downie & Miss Thompson

Kingfisher Mr Ball & Miss Taha

Flamingo Mrs Aqbarawi & Mrs Young

Peacock Miss Lee & Miss Woolley

### Senior Leadership Team

Headteacher

Mrs Bringan

Deputy Headteacher

Miss Cheshire

Assistant Headteacher (Literacy)

Mrs McWhinney-Tripp

Assistant Headteacher (Inclusion)

Mr Stainer

SENCO

Mrs Williams

School Business Manager

Mr Coleshill

Receptionist

Mrs Malik

Admissions & Attendance Officer

Mrs Chana

Welfare Officer

Mrs Castle-Mason

Premises Manager

Mr Heath



# Lunch menu

Please find below the lunch menu

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Week One</b>	Lamb Pasta Bake with Herb Focaccia	Lamb Rogan Josh with Rice	Chicken Sausages with Mashed	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Margherita
W/c	Asian Spiced Fish with Sweet Chilli Sauce and Rice	Halal Lamb Rogan Josh with Rice	Potato	Halal Roast	Pizza with Chips
3rd September	Jacket Potato with Cheese	Bean Chilli on a Corn Tortilla	Vegetarian Burger with Mashed	Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Salmon and
24th September	Apple Pie with Custard	Frozen Strawberry Yoghurt with Fruit Puree	Potato	Winter Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes	Broccoli Fishcake with Chips
15th October			Jacket Potato with Baked Beans and Cheese	Oat and Raisin Cookie with Fruit Wedges	
12th November			Lemon and Yoghurt		Fruity Friday: Selection of Fresh Fruit with
3rd December					
7th January					
28th January					
<b>Week Two</b>	Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Chicken and Lentil Curry with Rice	Beef Casserole with Mashed	Jerk Style Chicken with Rice	Breaded Fish with Chips and
W/c	Tomato and Basil Pasta with Herb Focaccia	Halal Chicken and Lentil Curry with Rice	Potato	Halal Jerk Style Chicken with Rice	Homemade
10th September	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise	Moroccan Style Roasted Vegetables with Couscous	Vegetarian Stew with Mashed	Masoor Dhal (Red Lentils) with Naan Bread	Tomato Sauce
1st October	Ginger Cake with Custard	Lemon Shortbread with Orange Wedges	Potato	Pear and Chocolate Marbled Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Cheese and
29th October			Macaroni Cheese		Vegetable Pasty with Chips
19th November			Oaty Plum Crumble with Custard		Yoghurt Bar: Natural Yoghurt with Various
10th December					
14th January					
4th February					
<b>Week Three</b>	Jacket Potato Bar with a choice of fillings:	Chicken and Leek Pastry with New Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Beef and Onion Pie with New Potatoes	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Fish Fingers with Chips and Homemade
W/c	Lamb Bolognaise Sauce	Halal Chicken and Leek Pastry with New Potatoes and Onion Gravy	Winter Vegetable Bake with New Potatoes	Halal Roast	Tomato Sauce
17th September	Vegetable	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Sweet and Sour Vegetables with Rice	Chicken with Roast Potatoes	Mixed Bean
8th October	Bolognaise Sauce	Apple and Cinnamon Cupcake with Apple Wedges		Macaroni Cheese	Burrito with Tomato Salsa and Chips
5th November	Or Cheese				
26th November	Peach Crumble with Custard		Pineapple and Coconut Sponge with Custard	Mixed Fruit Oat Bar with Custard	Fruity Friday: Selection of Fresh Fruit with
17th December					
21st January					
11th February					

**Available Daily:** Salads, Seasonal Vegetables, Freshly Baked Bread, Fresh Fruit Platters, Fruit Yoghurt and Water



## School Terms and Holidays

2018/2019

### Whitehall Infant School

Please only book holidays during school closure times

#### AUTUMN TERM – 2018

*Staff Development day (Holiday for children)*

*Monday 3rd September 2018*

*Staff Development day (Holiday for children)*

*Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018*

Term starts for the children at 8.50am

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018

**Half Term Holiday**

**Mon 22nd – Fri 26th October 2018**

*Staff Development day (Holiday for children)*

*Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2018*

Term Ends Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

#### SPRING TERM – 2019

Term starts for the children at 8.50am

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**Half Term holiday**

**Mon 18<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22nd February 2019**

Term ends

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

#### SUMMER TERM - 2019

Term starts for the children at 8.50am

Tuesday 23rd April 2019

May Day (Public Holiday – school closed)

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019

*Staff Development day (Holiday for children)*

*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019*

**Half Term holiday**

**Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019**

*Staff Development day (Holiday for children)*

*Monday 1st July 2019*

Term Ends

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

#### AUTUMN TERM 2019

Term starts for the children at 8.50am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2019