



Excellence
at Whittle



Whittle Weekly

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week has flown by here at Whittle, with lots of exciting lessons and events taking place. It has been lovely to walk around the building and chat to the children about their learning. We've heard about the exciting letter Y2 children received from none other than Paddington Bear, the damage certain drinks do our teeth as shown on egg shells, and been shown how to solve some very tricky area and perimeter challenges!

Parents' Evening Tuesday 12 March

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and carers to Whittle next Tuesday for this term's Parents' Evening. This time we will be holding all our meetings in the school hall. Your children's books will be available to look at, before your appointment, or after, as time allows. Due to GDPR regulations, your books will be handed directly to you by a member of staff, and you will need to hand them back directly too. Many thanks for your support with this.

World Book Day 2019

What a marvellous day we had yesterday! Thank you for all your support with our World Book Day events. The children (and staff!) thoroughly enjoyed wearing their pyjamas or costumes, and our new book swap is already proving *very* popular. We all enjoyed our story time session where we shared our favourite books. Don't forget to spend your World Book Day voucher asap!



Published Poetry

Miss Antcliffe was delighted to share with us that we have recently had poems written by some of our children published in a *Poetry Wonderland* anthology. This is a marvellous achievement! A copy of the book is available to read in Miss Antcliffe's classroom. Very well done to Katie, Tayla, Esha, Delight, Brandon, Lenny-Rae and Joshua A.

And finally ... Comic Relief 2019!

Next Friday, we will be supporting this year's national Comic Relief event. Our School Council have met with Miss Charles and are organising a couple of fantastic things we can do to contribute to this great charity event - a non-uniform day and lots of jokes! Look out on Monday for a letter explaining all about it.



Enjoy the weekend!
Mrs Docking and Mrs Upton

Wraparound

Outstanding Payments

If your child attends Wraparound, **please** could you make sure your account is up-to-date?

We have **£893.50** outstanding, despite our letters and text messages asking you to pay. This is a huge problem for us and it is important we get this sorted quickly. Many thanks.

PARKING

We are still receiving complaints about parents parking illegally when they drop off their children.

The local PCSO has been informed and complaints have been logged with the civil enforcement officers for the area.

PLEASE PLEASE
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take care where you park and **DO NOT PARK** on the zig zag lines.



It is your children that we are trying to protect. Thank you.



News from around the School



Class attendance for last week..

Class	%
Nursery	92.1
Reception	96.5
R/1K	95.6
1/2A	96.4
2M	91.1
3/4H	98.2
3/4S	94.4
5/6TA	96.2
5/6C	95.2
5/6JA	99.5
Whole School	95.6

Well done to everyone who received a lolly this afternoon for arriving at school on time and being in school every day this week!

Coming soon.... There is to be a new surprise award for classes who achieve a 100%....look out for more information soon....



EYFS

This week in Early Years we have been busy celebrating pancake day. The children were shown how to make the batter and were given a pancake to taste with the choice of different delicious toppings.

In Nursery, the children have enjoyed reading our story The Very Hungry Caterpillar. They have been looking at the caterpillar life cycle and practising their cutting skills.

In Reception we continued to look at Jack and the Beanstalk. We have been planting our very own magic beans to catch the giant.

YEARS 1 / 2

The children have completed some fantastic writing in their English lessons linked to our 'Big Smoke' theme. 2M have been writing letters to Paddington Bear recommending places to visit in London. 1/2A and R/1K have been writing postcards about their favourite parts of our 'virtual' trip to our capital city. During the coming weeks, in our PE sessions, we are thinking about preparing an outdoor circuit training session for some of the older children in school. The children are learning a variety of exercises, about different muscle groups and about finding their own pulse.

YEARS 3 / 4 This week we have been enjoying starting to write the myth of Romulus and Remus in our own words. We have been designing our own Celtic jewellery. Some of us could be designers of the future as we are so creative! We have celebrated World Book Day in our pyjamas and brought in books for a book swap. Fun and laughter was had when we followed instructions to make hot chocolate and then enjoyed drinking it! 3/4H discovered how the enamel of an egg went soft when it was immersed in vinegar over the weekend! A 'wow' week!



YEARS 5 / 6

Year 6 have been joined by Engage Rugby for two exciting sessions - practical and theory. They are enjoying playing tag rugby and learning about the five values: teamwork, integrity, respect, enjoyment and discipline. All of 5/6 are enjoying our Greek theme with the focus on the Greek gods. Year 6 have written some fantastic information texts about the gods, whereas Year 5 have focused on rewriting the story of Icarus and Daedalus. Please encourage your child to complete their power projects, as we love to add their learning to our displays.

MERITS FROM TODAY

REC	Evie-Grace "...has shown super learning this week. She is so enthusiastic..."
R/1K	Lawrence "...has made a fantastic start to the term and is trying so hard..."
1/2A	Scot "...has made a brilliant start to the new term..."
2M	Zaine "...for his focused attitude and determination during our English lessons..."
3/4H	Justin "...for his wonderful Roman helmet mosaic. It is amazing!..."
3/4S	Emily "...is an absolute pleasure to have in the classroom; she is always polite and kind..."
5/6C	Issie "...for being kind, considerate and polite.. We are very proud of you Issie!..."
5/6JA	Ashton "...Mrs Patel was full of the highest praise for you when she last visited..."
5/6TA	Esha "...you are a pleasure to come across in our school. You always use impeccable manners..."

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