



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 12th July 2019



A message from the Headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It may be the penultimate week before the end of the academic year, however our children have experienced yet another action packed week: full of team building, resilience and challenge. As you know the children have experienced a variety of different sports every day, met a legend in the cricketing world (Geraint Jones), taken part in an army- based Challenger Troop session, which the children thoroughly enjoyed, competed in an inter-house sporting competition, all polished off with our Sports Day this afternoon - which is set to be full of challenging races, group activities and many other athletic sporting experiences. We must say a huge thank you to our PE Lead, Mr Peal, and Sports Coach, Mr Kidd, who have organised the entire week.

The week doesn't end here either as tonight we are looking forward to putting on our 'Glad-Rags' for the Year 6 Leavers Disco this evening. Thank you to our dedicated PTFA team who have rolled out the red carpet for our year 6 children and organised a really memorable evening for them all.

Next week we are all waiting with baited breath for the year 6 performance of 'Happy Ever After'. Show time is on Tuesday at 2pm - 3:15pm and Wednesday at 6pm until 7:15pm. It will be lovely to finally have the production revealed and see all the amazing props and costumes come to life.

At the end of the day on Wednesday 17th year 5 will be exhibiting their fantastic beach hut projects. The beach huts will be displayed on The Structure outside. Please do come and have a look at them. I have seen a few being brought in through the gates in the morning and they are spectacular!!

During next week we will also be celebrating 50 years since the first moon landing on Friday.

I would also like to share how proud we are of your children. Throughout the year a number of children have requested to raise money for a variety of charities, completely under their own steam. See below for some information about 2 charity sales that will be happening next week.

Also just so you are aware we are having an area of the playground between The Structure resurfaced next week, due to root damage. This will cause a little disruption at pick up time, so I would ask that you wait a little closer to the bottom of the playground for this week.

I'd like to send out my thanks to Jacques Raymond (Cut Once- Woodworks and Ludo's dad), who has so kindly offered to use his carpentry skills and own time to build our Mud Laboratory for our outdoor learning. We really do appreciate it and can't wait to see it after the summer holidays.

Finally we are saying goodbye to Mr Howlett today who has been working in class 3A this year. He has been an absolute asset to the school and I know all the children will miss him very much. We wish him well in his new role.

Kindest Regards,

Annie Knoupe

Charity events to look out for next week.....

Charity Ice Pole Sale- Wednesday 17th July

Sylvie, Ella, Isla and Victor, all from 3G will be holding an ice pole sale to raise money for a local charity called Zest. Zest is an arts project and is part of the charity Bright Shadow. The aim is to reduce loneliness and boost wellbeing for people living with dementia in Whitstable. I'm sure you agree this is a great project for us to support. **30p per ice pole.**

Charity Soft Toy Sale – Thursday 18th July

Marta and Seren from 4O are setting up a stall to help raise money for an orphanage in Uganda, just outside Kampala. The orphanage, Little Hands Charitable Inc., is run entirely on a voluntary basis, and they are very much in need of support to be able to buy food and firewood for cooking, toothbrushes, soap, medicine, plates and cups, blankets, mattresses, clothes, and to take care of hospital bills and of many other expenses. They are taking care of 68 orphaned children in a small home where they provide them with basic needs and education through a team of volunteers. Link to their Facebook

page: <https://www.facebook.com/LittleHandsOrganization/>

School Uniform

We are very proud of the whole school appearance and hope that you will always ensure that your child arrives in school appropriately dressed in full school uniform.

DON'T FORGET TO LABEL IT or it will disappear into the great unknown!!

Soon it will be that time of year again when you head out to stock up on new school uniform for September. I wanted to take this opportunity to remind you of the expectations we have here at WJS. We expect all children to wear the correct school uniform. We feel strongly that taking pride in wearing our school uniform then leads to children taking pride in their surroundings and most importantly their work and learning.

I have outlined the school uniform expectations on the newsletter. Leggings worn as trousers are not permitted. Tracksuit bottoms worn as trousers are also not permitted.

Alongside having smart school uniform we also have expectations for hair.

Schools can sometimes have unwanted itchy visitors. In order to minimise their stay, hair that touches the shoulders (boys and girls), must be tied back with either red or black hair bands or an Alice band. Hair must not be dyed with a dye that is permanent (spray in dye for fancy dress is obviously fine and we understand can stain light hair but will wash out after a few washes). We appreciate your support with this.

| Lower School Uniform Year 3 and Year 4 | Upper School Uniform Year 5 and Year 6 | Sports Kit |
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| <p>Red school jumper or sweatshirt/cardigan (with school logo) Charcoal grey/black trousers (NOT leggings or tracksuits) /charcoal grey/black skirt White polo shirt (with or without school logo) Black shoes (heel no higher than 2.5cm/1") All black trainers Winter Only: Boots may be worn, black or grey sensible style, no adornments or buckles. Summer Term Only: Red gingham or red stripe dress black, red or white sandals (one colour only) with heels no higher than 2.5cm (1") White socks.</p> | <p>Black school jumper or sweatshirt/cardigan (with school logo) Charcoal grey/black trousers (NOT leggings or tracksuits) /charcoal grey/black skirt White polo shirt (with or without school logo) Black shoes (heel no higher than 2.5cm/1") All black trainers Winter Only: Boots may be worn, black or grey sensible style, no adornments or buckles. Summer Term Only : Red gingham or red stripe dress Black, red or white sandals (one colour only) with heels no higher than 2.5cm (1") White socks.</p> | <p>PE Kit—Boys & Girls: Polo shirt in house colour Black shorts Black or white plimsolls (Trainers may be worn for outdoor PE/Games) Sweatshirt in house colours (optional, but recommended) Black jogging bottoms for winter only A PE bag large enough to contain the above! Swimming Kit Boys & Girls: Swimming trunks or shorts (above the knee) One piece swimming costume Towel Swimming hats must be worn and can be provided. Goggles may be worn.</p> |

Attendance and punctuality...

**Whole School
Attendance 95%**



**100 % Attendance Winners
Tarik Tiger**



**Class
3G**

**100% Punctuality Winners
Polly and Petur Penguin**



**Classes
3A, 3G, 5W, 6CR**

Scrambled words....Can you solve them?

Can you unscramble the words? The clue is keeping fit.....

Scrambled Words
Veitca, unf, roptrs

The answers to last week's scrambles words were:
exciting new beginnings

Online Safety....

"E Safety 10 Top Tips" for Children and Young People

1. Treat your password like your toothbrush – keep it to yourself
 2. Only give your mobile number or personal website address to trusted friends
 3. Block the bully – learn to block or report someone who is behaving badly
 4. Save the evidence – learn how to keep records of offending text messages, pictures or online conversations
 5. Don't retaliate or reply
 6. Check your profile and make sure it doesn't include any personal information
 7. Always respect others – be careful what you say online and what images you send
 8. Think before you send – whatever you send can be made public very quickly and could stay online forever
 9. Look out for your friends – and do something if you think they are at risk
 10. Tell your parent, carer or a teacher if something or someone makes you feel uncomfortable or worried
- Finally, if you have other questions, contact www.thinkuknow.com or www.chatdanger.com for further information

Sun Safe...



Important dates coming up...

Term 6

Tuesday 16th July- 2pm Year 6 Performance to Parents
Wednesday 17th July- 6:00pm Year 6 Performance to Parents
Friday 19th July- 2:15pm - Prize Giving Assembly- (By invitation)
Monday 22nd July – Year 6 Leavers Celebration @ St Alphege Church, times TBC
Tuesday 23rd- Water Fight for Year 6
END of TERM
27th-29th July - Whitstable Oyster Festival
27th July- The Oyster Parade- 10am start.
3rd August-Whitstable Carnival

Letters this week....

Year 4 Canterbury Trip July 2019
Year 6 Production July 2019

Don't forget you can find all the letters we email out to you saved on the school website. <http://www.whitstable-junior.kent.sch.uk/>