



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 14th February 2020



A message from the Headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well the final week of term 3 has been no exception to the rest. This week we had our amazing WJS Art Exhibition, showcasing every child's art work from our Winter Themed Art Week. The exhibits were truly breath-taking and demonstrated the huge skill and passion the children and staff of WJS have for the arts. We had animation, modelling, sketching, painting, dioramas and much more. Thank you for coming along and getting a bit squashed, next time we will be in the hall!



This week year 6 have been astonished to find out that we had one of the first steam train lines in Kent and have produced some wonderful newspaper reports inspired by the event. They have also been debating whether art and architecture is more relevant to religion than generosity and charity, which has divided opinions within year 6. The children also demonstrated their understanding of electricity through designing their own investigation that tested wires and their effect on the brightness of a bulb. They have also developed their understanding of how to manage their risks online through our exciting E-Safety workshops.

In Year 5, the children have concluded their amazing epic sagas. They have ensured that they showed their understanding of the Viking era through their word choice and plot. They have also worked on mastering their accuracy and speed with regards to their arithmetic ability and lastly they have investigated the Bayeux Tapestry as a source of information about the Battle of Hastings and the last Viking King.

Year 3 have created delicious "metallic" menus for a meal that the Iron Man would enjoy. In Design Technology, the children made pneumatic circus people. They had tightrope walkers and clowns doing all sorts of tricks! The children made use of our wonderful outdoor learning space to do some code breaking using their geography mapping skills and finally in maths, the children enjoyed using shop role-play to learn about adding and subtracting money.

Year 4 made terracotta warriors using red clay and created top trumps cards for the Terracotta Army. They enjoyed a Chinese feast to celebrate their learning of the Shang Dynasty. The children had the opportunity to try noodles, prawn crackers and green tea. The children experiencing traditional Chinese games in the playground followed this.

I hope everyone has a lovely half term break and we will see you back on Monday 24th Feb for the start of Term 4.

Warm wishes,
Annie Knoupe

Headteacher's Award...



Hope 3G For showing resilience and determination in learning her times tables. You made your teacher super proud! Well done.



WJS PTFA...



Internet Safety...

This is a great site for giving you guidance on social networks, apps and games.

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>



Attendance and Punctuality...

Attendance HERO Challenge (**Here Every day Ready and On time**). Well done to all our attendance HEROES (and their parents and carers). Today the children received their prize and certificate for being such amazing Attendance HEROES! Well done EVERYONE!



Letters this week.... 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/>

- Adventure Cruise Holiday Club
- Deposit Letter Feb 2020
- Dotkids WJS After School Art Club
- PTFA- Eco Disco
- Eureka Seekers Science Club
- Forest School Game Zone 27.02.20
- Forest School Games Zone 02.03.20
- Forest School Parental Consent
- Forest School School Council 09.03.20
- Forest School School Council 16.03.20
- Mixed Football Goodnestone 13.02.20
- Winter Primary Menu Term 4 Feb 2020
- Yr 5 Micro Forest School Sessions Feb/March 2020



Important dates coming up...

Monday 24th Feb – Start of Term 4

24th Feb-Year 5 Arts Workshops at The Whitstable School

26th Feb – Eureka Seekers Club starts for Term 4

27th Feb –

- Dot Kids Craft Clubs starts for Term 4

- US Game Zone Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip

28th Feb –PTFA Disco-Information to follow

March 2020

2nd March

- Whole School Book Week - Monday 2nd March - 6th March
- LS Game Zone Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip
- Year 5 Arts Workshops at The Whitstable School
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5th March

- 4O Day at Quex Park Forest School Day
- Dressing up for National Book Day

9th March

- School Council Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip
- Year 5 Arts Workshops at The Whitstable School

12th March – 4L Day at Quex Park Forest School Day

16th March

- Whole School STEM week - 16th March - 20th March
- School Council Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip

19th March – 4W Day at Quex Park Forest School Day

23rd March

- National Well-being week - 23rd March - 27th March
- Arts Council Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip

25th March – Yr 4 Musical Soiree (to parents/carers)– Details to follow

26th March -NSPCC assemblies

27th March

- NSPCC Upper School workshops
- National Autism Day – Details to follow

30th March – Arts Council Quex Park Forest School Reward Trip

31st March – End of term 4