



# Whitstable Junior School

*Learning today for life tomorrow*

**Week ending 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019**



## A message from the Headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another great week at Whitstable Junior School. Much excitement about the prospect of snow...those phones apps are obviously not always right though!! However we did have the excitement of the Whitstable Power cut, which made my morning getting ready for school, and many of yours I assume, very interesting. Year 3 children have been learning how to write persuasively in English. The school "received" a letter and the children had to respond. I took the letter down to 3H and they have promised to write back objecting to the pickled onion factory being built on the all-weather pitch. I hope they are good at persuasive writing.

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Dear Mrs Knoupe,

I am writing to you to inform you of some major changes that directly affect you and your school.

Recently, we have had a meeting and it has been agreed that half of your playground will be sold off to a local pickled onion producer. This will obviously not affect your whole playground, it will just mean that the all weather pitch will be sold and a factory built upon the space.

We understand from discussions with your children that they no longer use the all weather pitch and will not mind having less space to play on, that they would rather be inside working rather than playing.

The building work will start after February half term unless we hear from you.

As a gift to each of your pupils, we will be sending a complimentary jar of pickled onions.

We hope that you enjoy having an enormous, sweet smelling factory so close to your school.

Many thanks,  
Mr Boggington

Don't forget it's the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch 2019 this weekend. The link is below to join or children can ask their teacher for a Bird Watch Recording Sheet. Schools can do the Bird Watch for longer so Monday is fine.



[https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/?channel=paidsearch&gclid=EAlaIQobChMIlyvfiYGJ4AIVCrHtCh0oFwnjEAAYASAAEgI07vD\\_BwE](https://www.rspb.org.uk/get-involved/activities/birdwatch/?channel=paidsearch&gclid=EAlaIQobChMIlyvfiYGJ4AIVCrHtCh0oFwnjEAAYASAAEgI07vD_BwE)

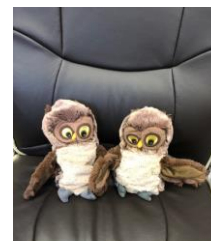
Mrs Migden took 10 lucky Year 4 children to Canterbury this week to see a Wildlife Photography Exhibition at the Beane. She said that the children were so appreciative of the chance to visit the exhibition and super ambassadors for the school, showing outstanding behaviour. During the exhibition they talked about the different techniques used, the stories each picture told and which of the photographs was their favourite and why. Your guess is as good as mine with this second photo!



<https://canterburymuseums.co.uk/events/british-wildlife-photography-awards-exhibition/>

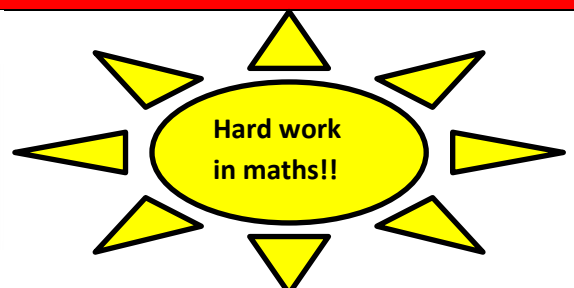
The exhibition closes on Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> February. So there is still time to see it.

We hope the children enjoyed meeting the twins Twitt and Twoo on the gate this week. They are extremely wise owls and fabulous Mathematicians. See Twitt and Twoo's maths Problem below and see if you can answer it. Then come and tell Twitt or Twoo on the gate on Monday morning. They will be delighted if you get it right. Have a fab weekend everyone.



Kind regards,  
Annie Knoupe

## This week's Headteacher Award goes to...



## Spellings...

## SPELLINGS

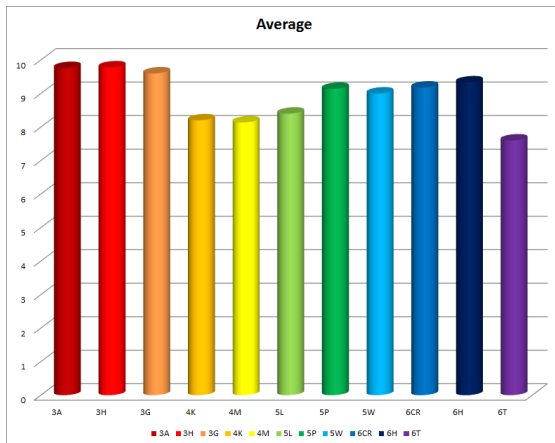
### Syd the Sequined Super Spelling Snake.

You can see how your child's class is doing in the best class average for spellings. Year 3 classes are smashing it!! Well done guys! The rest of you need to get practising to catch up with them!

Congratulations to all those children who have received new spelling stickers for their achievements in spellings and also to class 3H who had Syd stay with them for the week. 3H also had a chance to dip into Syd's Sequined Sack of Spelling Surprises and chose a gift for everyone of a str



Who will it be next Monday?



## Attendance and punctuality...

### Whole School Attendance 96.2%

It seems the winter bugs are making their presence known. Attendance is very slightly lower this week. Bring on the summer!!

### Highest % Attendance Winners Tarik Tiger



**Class 5W**

### 100% Punctuality Winners Polly and Petur Penguin



**Classes  
3H, 3G, 5W,  
6CR, 6T**

## Online Safety...

SAFER INTERNET DAY 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019

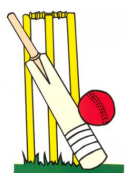
<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019>

Take a look at this link. It really is useful with loads of support for parents.

## Reminder...

- Please can I remind parents and carers to call the school office before 2.50pm if childcare arrangements/pickups have changed. It makes it a close call if it is any later and we don't want worried children.
- Please note that the disco times have changed since the last newsletter.

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!



We have some highly skilled athletes in our school. Having taken part in a local cricket trial **James Tremain** and **Freddie Sharman** have been selected to play for the Eastern Vikings-Under 10,- district cricket team, for the forthcoming season. The next level would be the Kent development squad (our county side), so it is a real achievement. Well done boys. We look forward to following how well your squad does. Make sure you keep us informed.

## Twitt and Twoo's Maths problem....Can you solve it?



A dragon lives in a cave. He doubles in size every day. It takes 10 days to fill the cave. On which day did he half fill the cave? Tell Twitt or Twoo the answer on the gate on Monday morning.

## Letters this week...

KCC letter to parents of SEN children re Ofsted for Local Authority SEN provision.

## Important dates coming up...

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February – National Story-Telling week.

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February – Number Day-more info to follow

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February –Valentines Disco in the evening

**Lower School 6pm-7pm**

**Upper School 7:15pm- 8:15pm**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February- Last Day of Term 3 for children.

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February- Term 4 starts

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March-Harry Potter Trip Year 6

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March- World Book Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March- Red Nose Day