



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 11th February 2021



A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe I am writing the final newsletter of term 3. It's been quite an eventful term and I know these past few weeks have also felt pretty tough for many of us. Long, dark days, freezing cold and lock down on top. But the children have continued to bring sunshine into our days. We have loved connecting with the children through the live lessons and live reading sessions and I have managed to pop into one for each class. It was a pleasure to see the children (and their pets).

We very much hope that circumstances will change and before long we will have our vibrant and wonderful community all back together again under one roof.



The snow this week has of course been the main attraction. School has remained open every day to enable critical worker parents to continue doing their very necessary jobs. We were equally happy for children to get outside, enjoy the snow and have a break from screens, if that is what your family wanted. We have had some great photos emailed to us of the fun children have been having. I know my boys have had some epic stories to tell me about Tankerton Slopes and sledging.



You will have received a Curriculum Overview for Term 4 today telling you what the children will be learning about next term. I hope you agree that Term 4 learning looks to be another inspiring and fun term, whether it be remotely or face-to-face. You may have seen that the live lessons are beginning to be taught using Google Meet rather than Zoom. Please bear with us as the staff become even more skilled using this platform.

Finally, it just leaves me to wish you all a lovely break and we look forward to starting term 4 relaxed and revitalised.

Warmest regards,

Annie Knoupe

WJS Remote Learning Survey...

If you missed the letter sharing the outcome of the Parent/Carer Remote Learning Survey this link will take you there. [Link to Remote Survey Feedback](#).

Free School Meal Vouchers...

KCC will once again be covering the cost of food vouchers through the February half term break. Please click on the link to read the letter sent out yesterday regarding this.

[Free School Meal Vouchers February Half Term Letter](#)

Headteacher Award...



Congratulations to **Isla** on your phenomenal effort since we have moved to online learning. You join every lesson, push yourself to complete every task and have done some astounding work this term.



Letters

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/>

Term Dates...

Term 3 2021

Friday 12th February – End of Term 3

School Closed over Half Term

Term 4

Monday 22nd February – First Day of Term 4

Week beginning 22nd Feb - Fairtrade Fortnight

Week beginning 1st March - Book Week (with dressing up day on Thursday 4th March)

Wednesday 3rd March - World Maths Day

Week beginning Monday 8th March - British Science Week

Friday 12th March- “Hug in a Mug” Sale (to be explained).

Week beginning Monday 15th March - Shakespeare Week

Friday 19th March – Red Nose Day- Super Power Day - Dress up as your secret superpower, going full superhero or just wear a mask/cape/badge....Donations on the day for Comic Relief.

Tuesday 16th March- Parent Evening- 3:30pm-6:30pm

Thursday 25th March – Parent Evening – 5pm-8pm

Thursday 1st April- End of Term 4