



# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

## Week ending 18<sup>th</sup> June 2021



### A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week was all about celebrating the ARTS (writing, drama, dance, music and visual arts) and raising the profile of these rich learning experiences.



Last year we received our Silver Arts-Mark Award and we intend to carry on the journey towards Gold. We know how

important it is to inspire the love of the arts in children. Each Year Group was inspired by a different book. The theme was curiosity.



Each child has been involved in an exciting art workshop, exploring a range of media and processes, learning about artists and the impact they have had

on the world. We had the amazing Julie from <https://dotkids.co.uk/> zooming in to year 3 to do an art workshop and also year 6 produced some



fabulous tonal collage portraits following a zoom tutorial with local artist C. McNally. Year 5 were



whisked away to Wonderland with Alice in tow and spent some time in the dreamy sunshine listening to the story and contemplating following the rabbit down the hole - down they plunged. Once in Wonderland, they decided to visit the Hatter and, of course needed hats for his tea party! Most importantly,

children have learnt that with art there is no wrong way, and we should embrace all differences in us and the ideas we present. Wishing you a restful weekend.

Warm regards,  
Annie Knoupe

### Fundraising events on behalf of the WJS Playground Project...

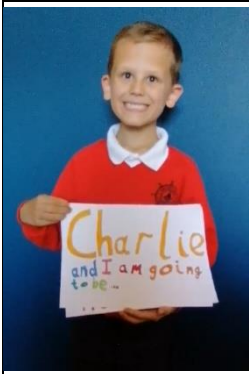
A big THANKYOU to The Rotary Club of Chestfield who have made a very generous donation of £500 to the Playground Project.



Our fabulous children are continuing to amaze us all with their kindness and generosity. 😊 Oliver, Hugh, Joe and Ewan are washing cars to raise money for the WJS Playground Fund. So far, they have raised £65 but they have more to do and hope to get at least £100. 🚗 🍋 🧼 Well done boys! It's been good weather for washing cars.

Charlie will be doing a sponsored silence for 24 hours to help raise money for his school's Playground Project. He has set himself a target of £100. This is what Charlie said "I want to do this to help raise money for my playground. Our teachers work so hard to teach us and look after us, they are the best. I want to do this for my teachers and all of my friends to make our school even more awesome!" If you would like to donate then click on the link below but please add in a message that it is to support Charlie's sponsored silence so he can see how much he's helped raise from doing it.

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/wjsplaygroundproject?utm\\_term=QR2WRD4A5](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/wjsplaygroundproject?utm_term=QR2WRD4A5)



Don't forget about the offer from Sam Grady <https://www.samgrady.co.uk/> Sam has offered to help WJS raise as much money as possible for the school's playground fund. He is offering 10 two-hour photo sessions for Whitstable-based businesses and asking for a donation which will then be given to the school for the WJS Playground Project. His target is to raise £2000, hopefully, a little more. If you are interested, please take a look at his website above or click on this link to take you directly to the page about the WJS Project. <https://www.samgrady.co.uk/wjs>

### WJS Playground Project...

## WJS Playground Project- raised so far. £7343 (24%)



The children have been voting on the playground markings they like the best. We have had the architect's in to school to start the planning permission and we have decided on the company who will be doing the work. We are getting so excited as things are beginning to look real. Let's keep up the fundraising!

Please remember though that any amount is warmly welcomed and if you think you may know someone who would like to support us, please do pass on our JustGiving link [WJS Playground Project JustGiving.](#)

### PTFA....

Our lovely PTFA have gifted the Leavers Hoodies to Year 6 this week and the children are so pleased to have them. Thank you PTFA.



Don't forget they are always looking for new members. This video gives a great flavour of the important role the PTFA have. [https://youtu.be/PIVz4JqEf\\_g](https://youtu.be/PIVz4JqEf_g)

### Considerate and Safe Parking...



Please **DO NOT** park unsafely on Cromwell Road or on the zig zag lines. This endangers children's lives.  
Thank you.



## Attendance...



Please don't forget to phone the office if your child is going to be absent because if we don't hear from you this becomes an unauthorised absence. Ideally please call by 8:50am and then we won't have to give you a ring. Thank you.

Attendance this week was  
**95.5%**

## WJS House Certificate Winners ...

These children were selected by the Pupil Leadership Team as this week's House Point Certificate Winners for demonstrating our curriculum drivers in their learning.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Elliot- 5M - Ash House - Adventure**

**Ridley- 4W- Maple - Community**

**Nevaeh - 4O - Oak - Challenge**

**Lilly-May - 6RM- Willow -Resilience**

### House Point Driver Certificates



## Headteacher Award...



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This week the Headteacher award has been given to **Adresa in 6RM**. She has been the embodiment of curiosity during arts week and has completed such mature and intricate pieces of artwork. Her teacher says it has been an absolute pleasure to see her flourish. Well done!

## Letters ....

[Click here for the website where you will find all letters.](#)

## Term Dates...

**Year 6 Production- this is being videoed**

**7<sup>th</sup> Start of Term 6**

**14<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> Arts Week**

**21<sup>st</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Activity Week and Year 6 Harry Potter Trip**

### July

**1<sup>st</sup> Transition (visiting new teachers)**

**5<sup>th</sup> Health and Fitness Week**

*New Year 3 Parents Information Evening (tbc)*

**7<sup>th</sup> Sports Day- no spectators unfortunately**

**9<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Disco PTFA- (class bubble discos)**

**19<sup>th</sup> Zoom Year 6 Leavers Celebration**

**20<sup>th</sup> Water Fight Year 6**

**End of Term 6**