

Whitstable Junior School Learning today for life tomorrow Week ending 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021



# A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,



It has been a busy week at WJS. Year 6 children have had their Activity Week. A bit different to the one they had thought they may have but I know it has been one that they have really enjoyed. There are lots of photos on the school FaceBook page showing them enjoying their activities and trips. There is a video of rockets being launched too. The week

has finished with a trip to Harry Potter World, which I was lucky enough to bagsy a place on, as a designated mini-



bus driver I might add. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the Year 6 staff who have all been amazing and have really pulled out the stops to give the children a memorable week. In



particular I'd like to thank Mrs Roy who has, amongst other activities, coordinated the Harry Potter Trip, which in these

uncertain times of "moving goal posts" has not been easy.

The rest of the school have been working hard on assessments this week. These will enable the teachers to identify those areas that we need to adapt in their learning and will help to inform how we plan the curriculum for the next academic year.

Your child will also have been told today who their new teacher is in September. A letter has been emailed today which tells you who their teacher and Learning Support Assistant will be. We also sent a plan of the school to show you which classroom they will be in. We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Montgomery to the WJS team. She is joining us to teach Year 5 in September. She has been getting to know the school over the past few months. Mrs Tucker also has some very exciting news as she is expecting a baby in November. We are all very much looking forward to meeting her little bundle. Next Thursday afternoon the children will be able to spend some time with their new teacher in their new classroom and I'm sure they will be excited to tell you all about this. Warm regards,

Annie Knoupe

## WJS Playground Project...

WJS Playground Project- raised so far. £7613 (25%)

### We have reached our first "<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of the way there" mark.

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 <u>WJS Playground Project</u> JustGiving.



## **PTFA...**

Year 6 children received their VIP lanyards and tickets today for the Year 6 Leavers Disco. I'm looking forward to seeing you all, on the red carpet! 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

### Social Distancing...

We have had some concerns raised about the lack of social distancing at the bottom gate which leads onto the playground. Standing waiting for your children at the gate opening leads to there being a number of people standing in close proximity of those parents and children trying to leave. I understand that for some parents the reason for this is because they have their dog with them as we are unable to allow you to bring your dog onto the school premises. However we do provide a dog pound for you to put your dog in whilst you come onto the school grounds to collect your children. Therefore please can I ask that you come right up onto the school playground so the exit can be left as clear as possible. Thank you so much for helping to keep us all safe.

#### 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%

#### Headteacher Award...



## **Headteacher Award**

This week the Headteacher award has been given to Joshua in 40. His teacher has told me that he is just always a joy. He comes into school with a big smile ready for the learning ahead and this smile only grows throughout the day as he challenges himself in all that he does. What a star!

#### Letters ....

Click here for the website where you will find all letters.

#### Term Dates...

### June

30<sup>th</sup> 5L Trip to Rye

July

- | <sup>st</sup> Transition (visiting new teachers)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Health and Fitness Week
- **7**<sup>th</sup> Sports Day- no spectators unfortunately
- $8^{th}$ New Year 3 Parents Zoom Information Evening
- 9<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Leavers Disco PTFA- (class bubble discos)
- 12<sup>th</sup> 5M Trip to Rye
- 14<sup>th</sup> 5T Trip to Rye
- End of School Year Reports go home
- 19<sup>th</sup> Zoom Year 6 Leavers Celebration
- 20<sup>th</sup> Water Fight Year 6

### End of Term 6