



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow



Week beginning 19th July 2021

Final Newsletter of the Year 2020 2021

A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

The first thing that I want to say is thank you. Thank you for being such an amazing community. This academic year has yet again thrown us all curve balls. Some of these have winded us and others nearly knocked us off our feet but most of all they have helped us all to stand together even more tightly and show what can be achieved when we support each other. The remote learning and live lessons meant you were able to see your children's teachers doing what they do best, teaching. It was truly lovely to receive so many wonderful comments from parents and carers telling me how great it was to watch their child's teacher in action. I promise you, that you definitely don't get any training on how to teach a lesson with 30 sets of parents watching you. I take my hat off to every teacher who pulled out every stop to make sure your child's learning was disrupted as little as possible.

We hope your children have had a fabulous year and enjoyed all the exciting learning that has taken place. We can't wait to bring more adventures and experiences into their learning next year.

We will be welcoming a large number of new families in September and also some new staff. We have five Learning Support Assistants joining us: Mrs MacAinsh, Mrs Brown, Mrs Porter, Miss Pemble and Mrs Travis and one new teacher, Mrs Montgomery.

We are saying goodbye to our fabulous Year 6 children and wish them all the best in their new schools. We also say goodbye to Miss Leaver, Mrs Madigan and Ms Faux-Bowyer who are moving on to new jobs and new adventures; we wish them luck.

I'd like to thank you all for your continued and unwavering support of WJS and I hope you all have a lovely summer break.

Warm regards,
Annie Knoupe

Final Assembly...

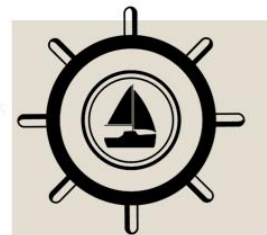
Today we had our final assembly of the school year.

It was a wonderful assembly where we celebrate so many achievements.

Challenge



Congratulations!



It has been recognised by your teacher that you always **challenge** yourself. Well done.

"We don't grow when things are easy; we grow when we face challenges."

Below are the names of the children who won our Driver Animal Awards. 10 children were chosen for each award (they all have a certificate) and then luck played a part when I drew one name out of a hat for each driver.

Driver	Animal	Winners Name
Adventure	Monkey	Charlie 3H
Resilience	Woodpecker	Alyssa 6H
Community	Bee	Brooklyn 4W
Independence	Bird	Madhavi 5T
Challenge	Squirrel	Kira 5M
Curiosity	Owl	Mary 4O

We also awarded children with their Royal Native Citizenship Awards.

They have received their certificates, badges and special Bee Key Ring if they had achieved all 4 badges,




Year 6 Leavers Celebration...

On Friday I presented (via Zoom) our Year 6 with the special awards and prizes that we normally hand out during their Leavers Celebration. An enormous well done to all those who were awarded a prize (see the chart below). Good luck to all of you in your new school.

Prize	Who has received the prize?
HEAD BOY	Oliver
HEAD GIRL	Amber
DEPUTY HEAD BOY	Zayan
DEPUTY HEAD GIRL	Adresa
ECO COUNCIL LEAD	Samuel
BERNARD BROADBRIDGE PRIZE (RESILIENCE)	Poppy
BRENDA CONNELL PRIZE (READING)	Tom Eve

CARETAKERS CUP (OUR ENVIRONMENT)	Aria
WOODINGTON AWARD (THE ARTS)	Adresa
TILLEY PRIZE (ATTITUDE TO LEARNING)	Daniel Argina
VEALE CUP (DETERMINATION)	Lacey
WEBB AWARD (ENGAGEMENT IN IT)	Nathan
SPORTING RECOGNITION	Freya
OUTSTANDING EFFORT IN PE	Luke
SPORTSMANSHIP OF THE YEAR	Roman
100% ATTENDANCE	Freya Rory Marta

WJS Playground Project...

WJS Playground Project- raised so far £8105 

Please remember 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](https://www.justgiving.com/WJS-Playground-Project).

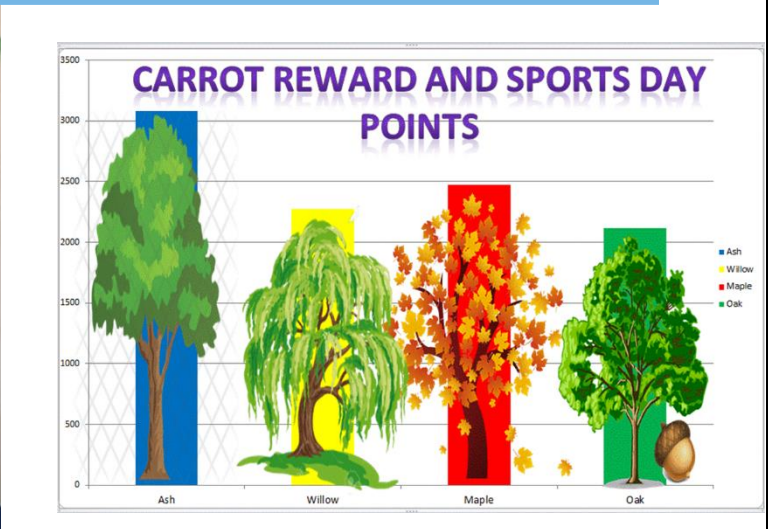
PTFA....

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

House Winner...

We have added together the Sports Day Totals and the final Carrot Rewards and the winner of the first ever new House Point Award is;

Ash House



Letters

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Term Dates...

Start of Term 1 2021
Thursday 2nd September- Gates open 8:30 and close at 8:50am (please be here by 8:45am)
Bottom gate for everyone.