



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 1st October 2021



A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

October is upon us and there is a definite change in the temperature. We have had to cancel a few beach visits due to the unpredictable weather which is disappointing but because we are so close, we can always reschedule.

This week year 3 have been continuing to explore fossils and the work of Mary Anning in Science and History. In



Literacy they have begun reading a new text... a legend! This legend is all about a fierce and enormous dragon who wreaks havoc on an innocent town by demanding a sacrifice at least once a week. They have also been practicing their subtraction skills.



Year 4 have been enjoying writing instructions on how to make clouds. Following watching an animation., the children used the features of instruction tests and used

some fantastic ninja vocabulary. They have also learned about what a flood is and what causes them. Year 5 have had their beach visits (unless interrupted by weather) and thoroughly enjoyed learning about the coast.



Year 6 looked at fingerprints to show how everyone is unique but also that we also have similarities.

The children have also enjoyed taking part in the after-school clubs this week. Animal club involved some fantastic owls and Art and Craft club saw the children creating



some hedgehogs and hearts. Don't forget school photos next Monday. So come nice and smart. Parent's evening letters have been emailed today. Have a lovely



weekend everyone.

Warm regards,
Annie Knoupe

YoungMinds...



WJS are joining thousands of schools, offices and communities on Friday 8th October by taking part in #HelloYellow and wearing something yellow. This is a way for us to help raise funds to support the work of the charity YoungMinds. So, dig out your neon socks, custard scarf and banana hat, or whatever you would like to wear and let's show young people they're not alone with their mental health! We will be collecting donations on the gate.

Headteacher Award...

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The HT Award goes to Leo in 4T this week who has shown exceptional work in maths. His curiosity and resilience have sparked the most interesting discussions as he works through answers and his teacher has been impressed with him every single day. Well done, Leo!

Mrs Knoupe



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. Well done everyone.

 Sunny – 30 Community	
Oliver – 5H Curiosity	
 Iris – 4T Challenge	
Jess – 6RM Resilience	

House Point Driver Certificates



WJS PTFA...

Everyone is warmly invited to come along for a cuppa and a piece of cake to make plans for our new PTFA on Friday 8th October at 9am, here at WJS! Please email Mrs Amos to let her know you're coming and so she can buy enough cake – looking forward to meeting you all!

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WJS Playground Project...

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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](#).

Attendance...



Attendance
this week was
96.5%

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.

Letters



Don't forget you can find all the letters we email out to you saved on the school website. [Click here for the website where you will find all letters.](#)

Term Dates...

Term 1

October

- 1st National Poetry Day
- 6th Forest School Sessions for 5M/6M/6RM
- 7th Music for Schools-Parent Presentation
- 4th Black History Week and National Space Week
Individual and Sibling Photos
- 8th Hello Yellow Day- Wear Yellow for a donation.
- 11th Celebrating World Mental Health Day
- 13th Forest School Sessions for 3O/3MC/4T
- 14th Parent Consultations via Netmedia Parent Consultations 5-8pm (info to follow)
- 18th World Food Day
- 20th Forest School Sessions for 4W
Parent Consultations via Netmedia Parent Consultations 3:30-6.30pm (info to follow)

Friday 22nd October 2021 - Term 1 Ends

Half Term Holiday:

Monday 25th October 2021 to Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Term 2 starts Wed 3rd Nov