



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 10th September 2021



A message from the headteacher...

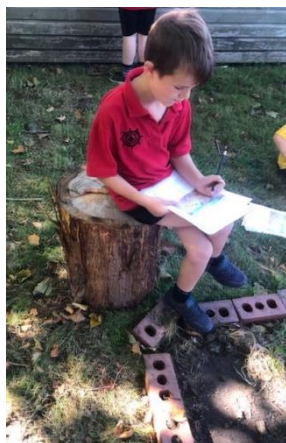
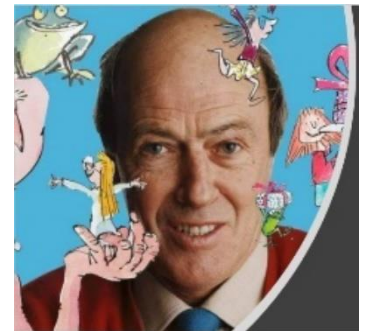
Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first full week back with the children and it has flown by and suddenly turned into summer. This week the children have all been discussing the importance of caring for each other. We will be continuing this theme throughout this term and hope that you will join us in caring for those with disabilities next week when we raise awareness of 'Jeans for Genes Week'. The children will be allowed to wear non-uniform (ideally jeans in some form) and asked to bring in a donation so that we can



raise money for such a worthwhile cause. So that children who have PE on Friday are not disappointed we are saying that they can bring their PE kit to change into on that day rather than wear their PE kits to school. We will have a collection pot at the gate to collect the donations. The children will also be involved in assemblies and class activities to further support their understanding. Monday 13th September also celebrates the life and times of the

incredible author: **Roald Dahl**. This year the children are going to be thinking about the BFG and how he "stood out from the crowd" and stuck to what he believed was right (not eating humans!!).



A big shout out to our new year 3's who have had an awesome week. Here is a little taster of some of the things they have been getting up to; They went on a trip to the Stone Age in Literacy. They were using their senses to describe a campfire



scene in their book and used our school's this scene to life!

Forest School area to bring

They were investigating and comparing different rocks this afternoon. Great observations were made!



Have a great weekend everyone.

Warm regards,

Annie Knoupe

Celebrations...

We are very proud to tell you all that WJS has been awarded a certificate of recognition for our commitment to providing high-quality music education for all children. This means This means we are a MUSIC MARK SCHOOL!



Headteacher Award

The HT Award goes to Tilly in 3O. Your teacher has said you make them and the children in your class smile every day. You are just a total ray of sunshine - always doing the right thing, always looking for ways to be kind and always trying your hardest. A total star.

Well done Tilly.

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...



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
97%

A few other reminders....

Parking

Please park safely and sensibly when dropping your children off or picking them up. We absolutely understand the challenges of drop off and pick up times, but none of them are worth endangering a child's life. The zig zag yellow lines and double yellow lines are there for a reason. Parking on these endangers life.

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

September

- 13th Roald Dahl Day
- 14th Meet the Teacher 3:15-3:45
- 17th Wearing Jeans for Genes Day (non-uniform donation at the gate)
- 20th Recycling Week (Plus Great British Beach Clean Week)

October

- 1st National Poetry Day
- 7th Music for Schools-Parent Presentation
- 4th Black History Week and National Space Week
Individual and Sibling Photos
- 8th Hello Yellow Day- Info to follow
- 11th Celebrating World Mental Health Day
- 14th Parent Consultations 5:30-8pm (info to follow)
- 18th World Food Day
- 20th Parent Consultations 3:30-6pm (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