

# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow





## 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

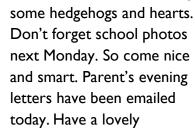
about the coast.



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



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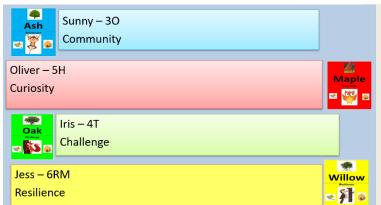
The HT Award goes to Leo in 4T this week who has shown exceptional work in maths. His curiosity and resilience have sparked the most interesting discussions as he works through answers and his teacher has been impressed with him every single day. Well done, Leo!

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.



#### 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! samos@whitstable-junior.kent.sch.uk



### 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 I

#### **October**

1st National Poetry Day

6th Forest School Sessions for 5M/6M/6RM

7<sup>th</sup> Music for Schools-Parent Presentation

4th Black History Week and National Space Week

Individual and Sibling Photos

8<sup>th</sup> 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 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2021 - Term I Ends

### Half Term Holiday:

Monday 25th October 2021 to Tuesday 2nd November 2021

Term 2 starts Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov