



# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022



## A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week ended on a high with the Dead Horse Morris and Broomdashers coming to perform for the children today. St Alphege children joined us too. They were very excited to see the giant walking tree; Jack. If you want to see a short video clip follow the link to our Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/WhitstableJuniorSchool>

This week the children in Year 5 have been immersing themselves in Viking sagas and have created their own character to be included in their own saga next week: they have been looking at using precise vocabulary to show not tell when describing and thoroughly enjoyed learning about the different Gods and Goddesses. In science, they have been turning the classroom into laboratories whilst testing the solubility of different sugars in water and have been identifying anomalies in their results.



In Year 6 the children have been challenging themselves to use the best and most precise language in their descriptions of Fagin, ensuring they create an atmosphere with the vocabulary that they select. To help them transport their imaginations back to the Victorian era, they all had a taste of gruel, which was definitely a moment they won't forget! As well as showing great resilience as they prepare for SATs in a few weeks' time, they have also begun learning songs for our



much-anticipated end of year production, which we can reveal is Olivia! We can't wait to invite the Year 6 parents along to watch this.

In Year 4 we have continued to find out more fascinating facts about the Shang Dynasty and the Terracotta Army. This has tied in with literacy and art and the children have been transported to an amazing ancient world!

Year 3 have been writing their own version of the Egyptian Princess. They have been including their own characters and plots to entertain the reader. In Maths, they have been learning about decimals and fractions and have been counting in both. They have been making beautiful clay amulets and have been researching nutrition and eating habits of their chosen animal in science.

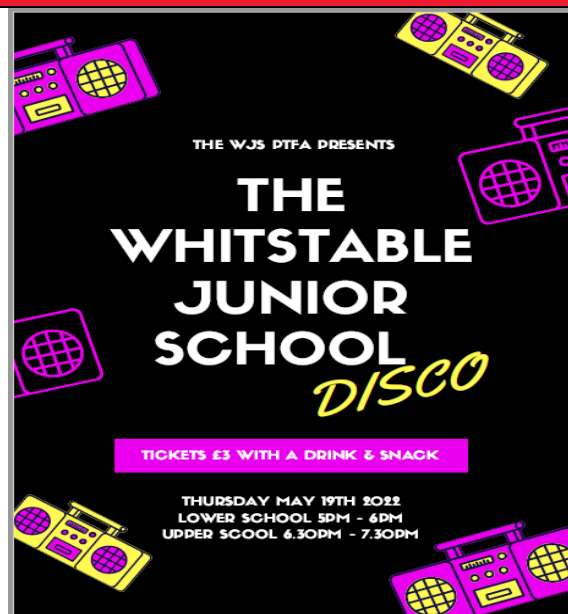
As you can see, they have all been busy bees.

Wishing you all a lovely bank holiday weekend.

Warm regards,

Annie Knoupe

## PTFA...



## PTFA Events coming up...

### WJS School Discos- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May



Lower School 5pm-6pm

Upper School 6:30pm-7:30pm

£3 per ticket with a drink and a snack

Tickets on sale from School Money from

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May or bring £3 cash to the

office. Tickets will be handed to class teacher to distribute.

### Summer Fair

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June- after school- more information to follow.

## Headteacher Award...



### Headteacher Certificate

#### Well done to Bobby in 4T.

Apart from being a brilliant mathematician and someone who is full of interesting ideas, he has really impressed everyone with his maturity. This is evident in his kindness, his excellent behaviour and his positive, sunny attitude. He is also a good friend to his peers, supportive helpful and funny! Wow! Well done Bobby.

## Sporting Activities...

Year 4 attended the Alternative Activities Event this week at HBHS. This was a non-competitive event which allowed the children to focus on developing their coordination and team skills. As always, the children were a pleasure to spend time with and represented the school perfectly. Well Done!



WJS Mixed Football Team did us proud! They competed against 16 other schools and we were the only evenly mixed boy and girl team out of all the schools.

## 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.](#)

## Times Tables Rock Stars...

# TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS



"My wife and I have dedicated our lives to go to Sienna's concerts. We buy all the t-shirts, download all the singles. Yeah, I think we're her biggest groupies." Old fans



WHO IS GOING TO ENTER OUR HALL OF FAME NEXT?

# HALL OF FAME

## 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



## Attendance...

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**93%**

Regular attendance is so important for your child to make progress, achieve their academic potential and consequently have a better chance in life.

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.

## Term Dates...

### Term 5 Starts

Week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> May- Year 6 SAT Tests in school.

Week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> May- NHS Lancaster Model Survey Year 6 (more info to follow)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May- Class Photos

PTFA School Disco

Lower School 5pm-6pm

Upper School 6:30pm-7:30pm

Week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> May-Cognitive Ability Tests Year 5 (more info to follow)

### Last Day of Term 5- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June- WJS Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June -PTFA Summer Fair-After school.

Week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> June- Year 6 Residential and Activity Week

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June- Parent Consultations 5pm-8pm (more info to follow)

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Parent Consultations 3:30-6:30pm (more info to follow)

Week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> June- Year 3 Cognitive Ability Tests (more info to follow)

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> June- Sports Afternoon

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July- Attainment and Progress Reports.

### Last Day of Term 6- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July

Year 6 Leavers Celebration and Disco- dates to be confirmed, information to follow.