



Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

Week ending 1st July 2022



A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who came to support our Sports Afternoon yesterday. It was an absolute



delight to see you all here and the children were incredibly excited to be sharing their sporting prowess with you. We have missed these kinds of events so much and your positive comments were lovely to hear. Again, I need to say thank you to Mrs Roy and Mr Kidd who organised the event which took place here at WJS for the first time (with parents attending). Also well done to our Sports Crew and House Captains who did exactly as we asked, organised,



encouraged and motivated all the children. Well done. Oak House achieved the most points and so won the Sports Trophy. These points will all go towards the final total and the winning House will be announced at the end of term.

As well as looking at healthy lifestyles and taking part in other healthy activities the children have also continued with their other learning. Year 4 have been beginning to explore turns and direction in maths. In literacy, they were inspired to write beautiful similes and delve into the mind of an earth worm after reading the story 'Grandpa's Garden'. They have also continued to explore the history of Canterbury and it's changing geography over time.



Year 5 have studied inspirational sports heroes linked to this term's value of determination and also talked about healthy living, took part in daily yoga, and practiced a range of sports. In science, they have researched and written some amazing explanation texts about life cycles, including the process of metamorphosis, using exceptionally technical vocabulary.

In Year 6, the Sports Crew



and House Captains have done an amazing job of running Wake Up and Shake Up in the morning and Yoga after breaktime- the rest of the school has certainly increased their active minutes. In class, the children have learned about the different vitamins and minerals and how they support our bodies; designing inspiring and tasty menus for their own restaurants. They have also studied a variety of different sports and sports people. At the same time, the children have been learning their lines and rehearsing for the much anticipated 'Olivia' that will be performed to parents on Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th July. The children have also been told today about their new class teacher and will be bringing home a letter for you along with a plan of the school showing you where their new classroom will be. Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,
Annie Knoupe

Headteacher Award...



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Lincoln in 6H



Lincoln has a great sense of humour and wonderfully cheeky smile! He has worked hard this year, showing super resilience and independence in his learning. His teacher was blown away with his excellent skills in the Sports Day carousel - a super chest pusher and triple jumper - fab! He is a great friend to others and a great asset to the year group. Well done Lincoln. Mrs Knoupe



School Attendance % from September 2021...

93%

If your child is at school for 169 days out of 190 that's 89% attendance. Your child has been off for 4 weeks and 1 day and may find it hard to keep on track.



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...

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ROCK STARS**

"Sometimes the paparazzi can be a nuisance and just going shopping can be a nightmare. Mostly it's ok though."
Michael O'Shea



**HALL OF
FAME**

Community information...

Our local Dogs Trust Education & Community Officer, Jo, is running some FREE family workshops this Summer at Dogs Trust Canterbury. The face-to-face workshop is packed with engaging dog-related games and activities, designed to teach children how to behave responsibly around dogs and understand their body language. The 90-minute session will help your dog-loving children learn to greet dogs safely and how to behave so their fluffy friends feel safe and comfortable around them. PLUS there will be a 'behind the scenes' tour of the Dogs Trust Rehoming Centre! Places are limited so to book or find out more, contact Jo at jo.cullum-fernandez@dogstrust.org.uk



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.



Term Dates...

Friday 1st July- Children find out their new teacher for Sep 2022
 Thursday 30th June- Sports Afternoon- please see letter emailed.
 Thursday 7th July- Transition morning-children meet their new teacher
 Friday 8th July- Year 6 Leavers Disco – 5:30pm-6:30pm (info to follow)
 Wednesday 13th July- Attainment and Progress Reports
 Wednesday 13th July – *Year 6 Production to Parents 5:30pm
 Thursday 14th July – *Year 6 Production to Parents 9:30am
 Mon 18th July- Year 6 Leaver Celebration St Alphege Church-2:30pm
Last Day of Term 6- Tuesday 19th July