



# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

**Week ending 8<sup>th</sup> July 2022**



## A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a beautiful, sunny day to end the week on. Let's hope it stays like this over the weekend.

The children have spent some time in their new classroom with their new teacher and learning support assistant yesterday. I saw lots of smiles and exciting activities taking place. We welcomed the Year 2 children for the morning and it was delightful to see how welcoming our current Year 3 were towards them.

Exciting learning has continued to take place alongside trips out and about. Year 5 have been



challenging themselves by exploring geometry in maths and drawing, plotting, and interpreting graphs in science. In addition, they have been revising water safety in RSE and completed Excel challenges in ICT. They have also been getting 'Year 6 Ready' by meeting their new teachers on transition morning; it was clear by the huge smiles on their faces when they returned to class in the

afternoon that they had all had a fantastic time and cannot wait for September to be here.

Year 6 has been a 'bit thin on the ground' this week as the majority of the year group have been visiting their secondary school; however, they are all really

looking forward to returning this evening for our Year 6 Leavers Disco- I know that they will have so much to talk about. The few



left this week have been extending their artistic skills by making props for the production and designing and making their mobile phone cases in DT.

This week in year 4 the children have enjoyed writing shape

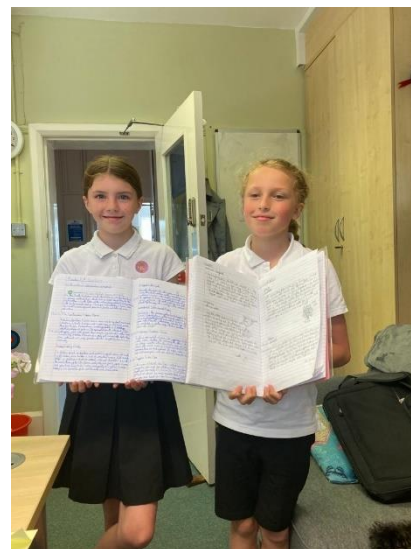
poems in literacy, describing how trees come into bloom during the Spring. They have also started looking at 2D shapes in maths and learning the name of shapes with 10 sides! In geography and



history, the children have continued their

learning about Canterbury and particularly enjoyed re-enacting the death of Thomas Becket in the Cathedral!

This week Year 3 have been writing their own story inspired by their text 'Ottoline and the Yellow Cat!' They have sent their characters on some epic adventures and wowed their



teachers by really showing off all of the Year 3 skills they have worked so hard to learn. They were incredibly kind to not only their new Year 4 teachers on Thursday but the new Year 3s; from writing a letter to them all, to checking on them at break and lunch times.

Next week we have more things to look forward to including the much-awaited Year 6 production. If you are Year 6 parents don't forget to let us know which performance you are attending by going on Parent Booking.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Annie Knoupe

## Headteacher Award...



# Headteacher Award Pearl 4T



Congratulations to Pearl for her fantastic effort during these last few weeks. It's hard to keep motivated as we get to the end of the year, but she is giving 100% in every lesson, answering questions and doing masses of work. Well done!

From Mrs Knoupe

## School Attendance % from September 2021...

### Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 Days off school	100%	perfection!
equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent!
equates to 3 days off school each year	97%	Good
equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned

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. School attendance % since Sep 2021 is...

**93%**

## 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

"The minute Tommy walked into the audition my brain went 'ker-ching! £££!'"  
He's been my most profitable act ever."

Simon Cowell



# HALL OF FAME



## Community information...



**8-14 August 2022**

A week of nature-focused events based in Whitstable. This is a grassroots event to provide the community with the opportunity to discover more about the amazing variety of life that we have on our doorstep. It is created by bringing local people and organisations together, such as the CT5 People's Forum and Natural Whitstable, culminating in Whitstable Maritime's Boat Show.



Scan the QR code to find the website:



### Events include:

Evening bat walk  
Scavenger Hunt  
Sealife around The Street  
Intro to Beekeeping  
Children's and SEN activities  
Birdwatching  
Seed swap  
Moth walk  
Wild Medicine  
History of Eels  
Dwellbeing Walk  
Foraging  
'Thread and Word'  
Stalls at the United Reform Church

FOR MORE INFO:  
natwhitgroup@wixsite.com

Wild about Whitstable

## Wild about Whitstable

<https://natwhitgroup.wixsite.com/website>

**Last week Wild about Whitstable came to WJS and talked to the children about the events happening this August.**

**Take a look at their website-link above.**

## Natural Whitstable

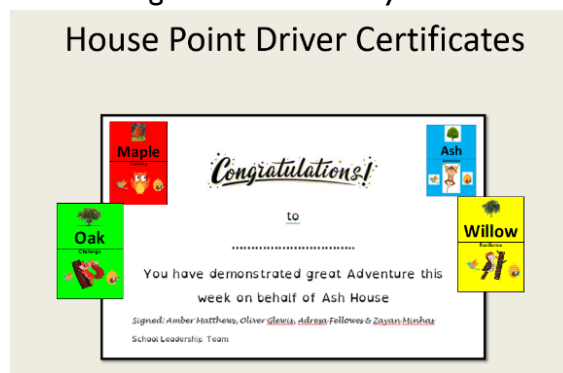
"Wild About Whitstable" a week-long series of events for all the family running from Monday August 8th to Sunday August 14th.

## 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



## Term Dates...

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July- Attainment and Progress Reports  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July – \*Year 6 Production to Parents 5:30pm  
Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July – \*Year 6 Production to Parents 9:30am  
Mon 18<sup>th</sup> July- Year 6 Leaver Celebration St Alphege Church-2:30pm  
**Last Day of Term 6- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

**Academic Year 2022 2023**

**Term 1**

**First Day back for children Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022**