



# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

**Week ending 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022**



## A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another action-packed and exciting week for the WJS school community; the teachers all really enjoyed meeting you during our Meet the Teacher afternoon so thank you for finding the time.

During the week, the children have been making the most of the dry weather with additional sporting enrichment experiences provided by the



Lawn Tennis Association and Inclusive Sport, that will continue throughout this term for all classes. In addition to this Year 3 and 4 have completed Road Safety

Lessons this week, provided by KCC, so that they understand more about the hazards whilst being out and about as well as how to keep themselves safe. All the visitors have mentioned how polite, kind and hard-working the children were, which is lovely to hear!

In Year 3, the children have really enjoyed learning about the palaeontologist, Mary Anning. They were so inspired by her achievements and resilience that they designed a medal

recognising her contributions to the world of science.

In Year 4, the children have been using time adverbials to help them write specific, clear instructions and thoroughly enjoyed teaching their teachers 'How to make cheese sandwiches!' In maths the children have continued with place value, comparing different amounts and completing some tricky problem solving.

In science, as part of their work on solids, liquids and gases, they have been busy freezing Lego men in ice cubes and then predicting how quickly they will melt, whilst learning about the factors that affect evaporation.

In Year 5, the children have had a wonderful week learning about Destructive Waves and the 4 processes: Hydraulic action, Abrasion,

Attrition and Solution. In English, they have also investigated the best way to group sentences to create interesting and cohesive paragraphs.

In Year 6, the children have continued emerging themselves in the wonderful book 'The Explorer' looking at summarising the key events so far. Whilst in maths, they have been developing their understanding of addition and subtraction by applying this to problem-solving.

Just a quick reminder that as a Healthy School, we do ask if you could ensure your child's snack is as healthy as possible and to avoid sending in packets of crisps or biscuits (especially family size snacks that can be shared around to others). Children should also only have water to drink in their bottles to help protect their teeth and ensure they remain suitably hydrated during the day.

Thank you.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warmest regards,

Annie Knoupe



## Attendance...

**96%**  
This week.

If your child is too unwell to attend school then please phone the school office by 8:50am. We have a new phone system where you can choose option 1 and leave a message. If we don't hear from you, we will have to ring you otherwise this becomes an unauthorised absence.

Attendance Matters



Every Day Counts....

## Online Safety Tips...

In school we always teach about staying safe online but it is always good to refresh your child's memory as often as possible.

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/staying-safe-online/>

**childline**

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME

## Well Done to our Times table Hall of Fame Winner and Headteacher Award nomination...

**TIMES TABLES  
ROCK STARS**



**HALL OF  
FAME**



**Headteacher Award**



This person has been nominated because of their independence and amazing dedication to always achieving their best! Their class teacher has said how kind and caring you are to all the class community. Well done! What a delightful child to be part of WJS!

Well Done Ephraim



## Congratulations to our NEW Sports Captains and Sports Crew...



## WJS House Certificate Winners....

	Roscoe – 30 Community	
	Martha – 4CR Independence	
	Iris – 5L Challenge	
	Gabe – 6H Independence	

## House Point Driver Certificates



## Letters ....

[Click here for the website where you will find all letters.](#)

## Term Dates...

### Term 1

### October

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – Celebrating World Space Week

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> – Celebrating Black History

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Wear something Yellow for World Mental Health Day

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> – Parents Eve (early)-info to follow

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> – Parents Eve (late)-info to follow

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 - Term 1 Ends

### Half Term Holiday:

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2022

**Term 2 Starts on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**