

Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow





A message from the headteacher...

Dear Parents and Carers,

The final week of September has flown by and Autumn feels very close.

In Year 5, the children had a super week learning all about stacks, stumps, caves and arches caused by coastal erosion. They have had a fabulous coastal trip looking at coastal slope angles, PH levels and land use. They have enjoyed listening to the story of Old Harry and his wife, which then inspired them to create their own versions through the medium of clay and comic strips. In literacy, the children have gone back in time to investigate photos taken through the ages; inferring about the lives of the people in them. In maths, they have been working incredibly hard on the skill of rounding numbers from I to a million.

In Year 6 this week, the children have been recounting





the adventures of Max, Fred, Con and Lila from our epic Rainforest adventure story: 'The Explorers' in a diary entry that explores the thoughts and feelings of the characters. In Maths, they have been calculating and problem-solving with factors, multiples, and divisibility rules. For Science, they

learned about the process of decay ready for some super gross experiments

next week and in Geography they have created posters urging us all to find ways to save the rainforest.

This week year 4 have been busy building waterfalls in the timber trail as part of their topic work on rivers as well as finding out fantastic facts about gases in science, blowing up balloons with vinegar and baking soda! In literacy the children have been perfecting their instruction writing skills and in maths they have been challenging themselves rounding numbers to 10, 100 and 1000.

Year 3 have become mammoth experts and written epic non-chronological reports all about them for Literacy. They



created a Stone Age menu in History, including some interesting ingredients such as deer leg and freshly picked berries! They have worked really hard to find ways to engage the reader and executed them brilliantly in their writing. They have also developed their understanding of place value in maths, adding and subtracting ones, tens and hundreds expertly. In art, Year 3 have experimented using different media to create cave art in their books. We were particularly impressed at how well they avoided getting charcoal on their uniforms!

Wow they have all got up to so much.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warmest regards, Annie Knoupe

Attendance...

Attendance up to today

96%

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 I and leave a message. If we don't hear from you, we will have to ring you otherwise this becomes an unauthorised absence.



Welcome to the Times Tables Hall of Fame Xander...













Upper School:



Headteacher Award...



Headteacher Award Hera 6T



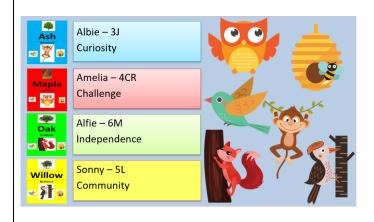
Hera has had an incredible week. She has worked very hard with her writing showing great resilience and independence. More importantly she has really enjoyed herself and been so successful.

Well done Hera.



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. Welldone everyone.





Remind your children about staying safe on the internet... **How to Stay Safe on Social Media Parents and Teachers** Join Social Media Understand how it Keep your settings Think before **Privacy Think** you post. Teach safety private. Check your privacy setting Friends Don't hurt Don't: Stay silent Only connect with friends. Hurt Friends other people. Help your friend Report the bully Tell your parents Tell your teacher Be kind Kind to others. The Bully Don't Save what they say **Password** share your Unfriend them password. Block them Tell a friend Tell your parents Tell **Unfriend Block** Report

Letters

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Term Dates...

Term I

October

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th – Celebrating World Space Week

Monday 10^{th} - Friday 14^{th} - Celebrating Black History

Monday 10th – Wear something Yellow for World Mental Health Day

Thursday 12th – School Individual Photos

Tuesday 18th – Parents Eve (early)-info to follow

Thursday 20th – Parents Eve (late)-info to follow

Thursday 20th - Flu Vaccines for all children in school

Friday 21st 2022 - Term I Ends

Half Term Holiday:

Monday 24th October 2022 to Tuesday Ist November 2022

Term 2 Starts

Wednesday 2nd November