



# Whitstable Junior School

Learning today for life tomorrow

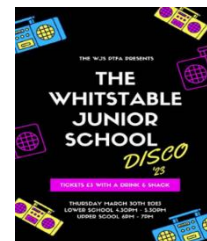
**Week ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**



## A final message from Mr Cooper and Mrs Roy...

Dear Parents and Carers,

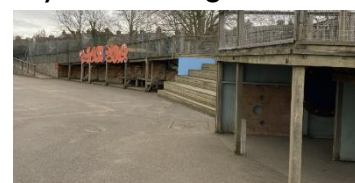
All of the children and staff have had such a wonderful term; it has been so full of exciting activities that the time has flown by! This week alone we have celebrated the children's fantastic musical talents with a great IRoc concert; well done to all of the children that performed, you are so talented! We also hope you enjoyed looking through your children's books and experiencing the Year 5 Greek museum on Tuesday; it was so lovely to see you and I know how excited the children were to share their books with you. We would also like to say a huge 'Thank you' to the PFA for organising what must be 'the event of the year' so far: The School Disco! The children were planning their outfits for weeks and I know they had so much fun!



As well as all of this, today has been such a lovely way to end the term, seeing all of the children dressed in their most colourful clothes, in support of National Autism Awareness Day. The children have been completing activities all week to help them understand more about autism and we also had an amazing visiting speaker in our assembly to share their experiences.



Looking forward, we are delighted to be able to say that during the Easter holidays, the large wooden structures surrounding the playground, which have been out of action, are being removed, so the playground will look very different when the children return in term 5. We have already let the children know so they will be able to tell you all about it!



(From Mrs Roy!) With the arrival of Ms Kent, our new Head Teacher, we are saying good bye to Mr Cooper who has become part of the WJS family and I know I speak on behalf of all of the children and staff when I say that he will be missed and is welcome to pop in and say 'hello' anytime!

(From Mr Cooper!) I would like to thank everyone for making me so welcome. I will miss you all. I would also like to thank Mrs Roy for the amazing job she has done as Interim Head of School.

It has been a wonderful term and we are as proud as ever of the children; who have worked so hard and been such great friends to each other. We wish you a wonderful Easter holiday; if you are observing the Christian traditions then I hope you have a lovely time together. Be safe and we look forward to seeing you on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

Mr Cooper and Mrs Roy

## Year 6 Walk 4 Water Fund Raising Event



**Total raised: £1546.05**

A huge 'Thank you' to everyone who supported our school in this event; we are amazed at how much money has been raised by everyone.

It really did highlight how caring and compassionate our lovely Year 6 children are when they were so inspired by the sad situation that they were determined to walk for as long as they could or with heavy water bottles on their backs.

## Attendance...

**Attendance  
is:  
93%**

**Thank you for ensuring that your child is on time and ready to learn.**

**Gates open at 8.30am on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April and will close at 8.45am.**

**As it is the start of a new Term let's make sure we are on time and looking really smart in the correct school uniform.**

*Every day*  
**COUNTS!**  
School success starts  
with attendance

## Headteacher Award...








At the end of every term, instead of selecting one amazing child for the Head Teacher's Award, we celebrate all those children who have been nominated throughout the term but have not been selected for an award.

We are so proud of all of the children for their amazing work ethic, their kindness and enthusiasm for learning.

Well Done to all of you that have achieved a nomination or gained an award this term; we are very proud.

## Pupil Leadership Team Driver Awards go to....

	<b>Ash</b>	Zach – 6M Adventure
	<b>Maple</b>	Frankie – 5H Curiosity
	<b>Oak</b>	Marnie – 3J Challenge
	<b>Willow</b>	Lola – 4B Challenge

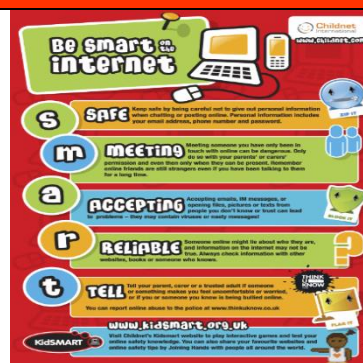


## E-Safety Advice

All of the children receive E-Safety training and advice as part of their weekly computing lesson. With the children home for Easter, we thought we would provide you with a few useful web links that provide up to date advice.

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

[https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-wellbeing/positively-online?gclid=aw.ds&gclid=EAlaQobChMIwMbvrMaD\\_gIVJ-](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/online-wellbeing/positively-online?gclid=aw.ds&gclid=EAlaQobChMIwMbvrMaD_gIVJ-)



## Letters ....

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

**PE Days** will be emailed and then text out next term – please also refer to the website for information. Also be aware that the **PE days** will be changing on the weeks with **Bank Holidays** due to a 4 day week. The office will text out to keep you informed.

## Term 5 Dates...

**Term 5 starts on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 8.30am –**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April** – Transition Event for Year 6 – The Whitstable School PE department and children will be visiting all Year 6 children to complete a Sporting event during the afternoon, to begin to support our children with transition to secondary school.

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April** – **Year 6 SATs and Transition Information evening at 6pm in the school hall** (Google form will be available on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April to book a place)

**Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April** – Clubs for terms 5 and 6 start

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 4 start swimming at the Whitstable Pool until the end of Term 5 (4B – 2.30pm – 3pm and 4CR – 3pm – 3.30pm) **Please see letter for further details**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April** – Year 3 start swimming at the Whitstable Pool until the end of Term 5 (3J– 2.30pm – 3pm and 3O – 3pm – 3.30pm) **Please see letter for further details**

–Morris Men in to perform to VJS and St Alphege at 11.15am

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May** – Bank Holiday – School Closed

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May** – Netball match – at home – against Herne Bay Juniors

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – **Kings Coronation Celebration Day** – more details to follow

–PFA Quiz night in the school hall – more details to follow

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday – School Closed

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May** – **Year 6 SATs Week** – more details to follow

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May** – Netball match – here – against Swalecliffe Primary School

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May** – CACOT Fund Raising event – more details to follow

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May** – last day of term 5

