

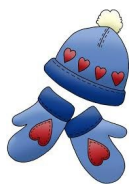


Headteacher's Newsletter

February 2018 ISSUE 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back from the half term. I hope all our families had an enjoyable break. The weather is still very chilly so please wrap up warm. We are looking forward to the exciting events planned for the rest of this term.



Spring Term Dates

Wednesday 28th March - last day for Nursery

Thursday 29th March - term ends at 2pm

Monday 16th April - Summer Term starts

Punctuality

It is very important that children arrive in school on time. Here is a reminder of the school times:

8:35am - Gates open

8:40am - Classroom doors open

8:50am - Bell sounds

Any arrivals after the bell at 8:50am are late.



Thursday 1st March - Willow Class

Thursday 8th March - Beech Class

Thursday 15th March - Pine Class

Thursday 26th April - Elm Class

All class assemblies start at **2:55pm**.

Please ensure that you arrive on time. Also, please do not eat, talk or use your phone during the assemblies as this can distract the children.

Shining Stars



A very well done to our shining stars



Reception - Nikolas, Anmol, Aisha, Khirad, Tiara, Evan, Tallulah, Jori, Ellana-Rose

Year 1 - Mohtar, Alexander, Elijah, Lacey

Year 2 - Yeabe, Annie, Christie, Nabil

Parenting Workshop

We are having a 'Parenting' workshop on **Wednesday 7th March** from **9-10:30am**.

There will be advice on forming good routines and behaviour management followed by a Q&A session and a brief survey. If you wish to attend this workshop, please **sign up** at the main school office.

Weather



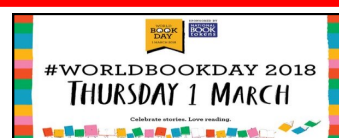
In the event of heavy snow, the entrance on Whitehall Road will be shut. Please enter the school through the main entrance on Cowley Road. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will come in through the school hall. Nursery can enter through their normal entrance. If the school is closed, we will inform parents as early as possible via email and on the website.

World Book Day - Dress Up Day

Thursday 1st March is World Book Day.

Children in **Reception, Year 1 and Year 2** can come to school **dressed as a book character**. A letter has been sent home with some ideas for some easy book character outfits.

Children in **Nursery** can come to school in their **pyjamas** as they will be reading bedtime stories.





Welcome to Miss Kanani who is the new LSA in Elm Class. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming her to Whitehall Infant School.

There are some children at our school that have nut allergies. Please do not send nut products in to school—this includes Nutella bars and chocolate spread. Your child will not be able to eat any items containing nuts in school.



Roadworks

There are roadworks taking place at the junction of Cleveland Road and Church / Station Road for 8 weeks. Please allow enough time for your journey while these roadworks are taking place.

School Council

The School Council class representatives are:

Beech - Tia D	Pine - Muizz A	Willow - Muhammed H	Elm - Lacey W
Peacock - Erin D	Flamingo - Nour D	Kingfisher - Millie-Mae N	Toucan - Khaled B

The candidates presented a speech to their classmates and the children then voted for their School Council class representative. The School Council Teacher Representative is Miss Cheshire.

Safeguarding Reminders

- Please notify us if someone else is collecting your child.
- If you change your contact number please remember to update the school. It is very important that the contact details that we hold for your child are correct.
- All children must be dropped off to their classroom door at the start of the school day.
- We have recently updated our Child Protection Policy. The updated policy can be found on our school website in 'Key Information' and then 'Links to Policies'. Please see me about any queries.

The Importance of Reading

Thank you to all of those who sent in 'Top Tips for Reading'. Below are a couple of the top tips that we received:



"I let my child tell me their version of the story first through the pictures. It always helps" sent in by Caleb's (Nursery) parent

"To be patient and enthusiastic. Make it a special time for each other" sent in by Jasper's (Peacock class) parent

We will share some more reading top tips over the next few newsletters.

I would also like to thank everyone who have emailed in photos of someone enjoying reading. The winner of the book token will be chosen on World Book Day (01/03/18) so there is still time to email your photos in to office@mail.whitehallinf.org

Lunch Menu

Week of 5th March.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Onion Gravy Vegetarian Sausages with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy Vegetable Casserole with Mashed Potatoes Apple Crumble with Custard	Lamb Bolognaise with Spaghetti Jacket Potatoes with Tuna Mayonnaise Cauliflower & Broccoli Bake with New Potatoes Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	BBQ Chicken with Rice Vegetarian Noodles Vegetarian Lasagne Jelly & Fruit	Shepherd's Pie Cheese & Onion Roll Jacket Potatoes with Beans Pear & Ginger Cake with Custard	Fish Finger with Homemade Tomato Sauce & Chips Vegetable Burrito (Wrap) with Chips Fruity Friday: Fresh Fruit with Greek Yoghurt

Learning Powers



We use 8 learning powers to encourage the children in their learning. One of these is

Have a Go Harry Go on.... Just do it!

Have a Go Harry encourages children to 'have a go' and give things a try.

Examples of Have a Go Harry will be rewarded with certificates.



Diary Dates - more details will be sent out nearer the time

Wednesday	28th	February	PA Pancake Day	
Thursday	1st	March	World Book Day	Dress Up day
Thursday	1st	March	Willow Class Assembly	2:55pm in the hall
Wednesday	7th	March	Parenting Workshop	9-10:30am
Thursday	8th	March	Beech Class Assembly	2:55pm in the hall
Wednesday	14th	March	Library trip for Reception	See separate letter
Thursday	15th	March	Library trip for Reception	See separate letter
Thursday	15th	March	Pine Class Assembly	2:55pm in the hall
Thursday	22nd	March	Sport Relief - Nursery children	Dress Up Day
Friday	23rd	March	Sport Relief - Reception, Year 1 & Year 2	Dress Up Day
Friday	23rd	March	Nursery Parent Consultations	NURSERY CLOSED
Tuesday	27th	March	International performances	See separate letter
Wednesday	28th	March	NURSERY LAST DAY	
Wednesday	28th	March	Nursery singalong and Easter Hat parade	
Wednesday	28th	March	International performance	See separate letter
Wednesday	28th	March	International Evening	See separate letter
Thursday	29th	March	Easter Hat Parade	In School
Thursday	29th	March	Nursery Parent Workshop	9-10:30am in Nursery
Thursday	29th	March	End of Term	School closes 2:00pm
Monday	16th	April	SUMMER TERM STARTS	Back to School