



Whitehorse Manor Junior School

Newsletter Friday 19th July



Dear parents and carers,

It seems incredible to think that a whole year has flown by and we are now looking forward to our summer holidays! **Next Tuesday, 23rd July** will be the last day of school for children at the Whitehorse Manor Schools. Children will return on **Thursday 5th September** at 8:45am. Staff will be on hand to show the children the way into their new classrooms and where parents should wait to collect their children at the end of the day. Can I take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support this year. We can all look forward to the completion of our building project in the next academic year. Enjoy the holiday and stay safe.

Fond farewells and happy hellos We are sorry to be saying goodbye to Miss George next year. As you may know, Miss George started with us as a teacher in Year 3, but for the last 2 years she has worked as the Inclusion Manager for both the Whitehorse schools. She will be very much missed but we wish her well in her new role as Assistant Head at David Livingston Primary School. Mrs Hardy, one of our lunchtime supervisors is also leaving us and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours. Mrs Chang, formerly at the Infant School, will join us as our new Inclusion Manager across both the schools, and Mrs Nalla-Francis returns from maternity leave to work in Year 4.

Attendance and absence. IMPORTANT NEWS. Due to changes in legislation, Headteachers are no longer allowed to grant any holiday leave during the school term, unless for exceptional circumstances. Our attendance policy has been updated to reflect this change. Please also remember that, if your child is absent for any reason, you need to call and leave a message on the school's 'absence hot line'. You must follow-up the telephone call with a written note when your child returns to school which the school can place on file. If the school does not have a written note, our educational welfare officer will flag this up as an unauthorised absence.

School uniform: Please remember that next year only Pegasus branded baseball caps can be worn at school. These are available from 'wovina' via the link on our website.

Academy Council: We are still keen to recruit parents who are interested in becoming members of our academy council. We are looking for parents and carers who are interested in playing a more active role in the life of the school and can commit themselves to approximately 4 meetings a year. If you are interested and would like to know more about the role, please ask at the office for an information letter and nomination form.

Sporting News: This year the 'Sports' Day' trophy was won by Olympia, with Corinth receiving the award for sportsmanship. Many thanks to all the parents who joined us out on the field and helped cheer our children on.

Important dates

Tuesday 23rd July: last day of term
Thursday 5th September: first day of new term
Friday 27th September: MacMillan Coffee Morning
Tuesday 15th & Wednesday 16th October: Parents' Evening
Friday 18th October: Harvest Assembly 4H

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