



Whitehorse Manor Junior School

Newsletter Monday 16th September 2019



Welcome back! It has been lovely to see the children return to school with big smiles and an eagerness to learn and I hope that this positive attitude continues. I have included a list of the autumn dates, so far as I know them, to stick on the fridge. This is NOT a definitive list as Team Leaders have provided year groups with specific dates, but I hope that it helps you with some forward planning. I apologise in advance if any dates change for reasons beyond our control. Any changes to whole school events will be communicated to you as soon as possible (on the website, in newsletters, by text if we have a correct mobile number for you).

Bikes and Scooters on the playground. I'm happy that we now have parking for bikes and scooters (round by Year 4 or just inside the gate) and that children (and their parents!) are embracing a healthy lifestyle and riding to school. Please remember that bikes and scooter must not be ridden on school grounds – it's too crowded which makes it a hazard. All riders are expected to dismount at the school gates.

Gigantic pile of lost property swamps library! There is a gigantic pile of lost property, carried over from last year. Please feel free to come and look through this to reclaim anything that your child has lost or help yourself to anything that doesn't have a name label on it for free! Next week, we will empty the box and launder everything the Second-hand Uniform sale later in the term. Remember: If you name your child's property, it can be returned to them.

Keeping our children safe: Parents must wait with children on the playground until the school doors open at 8.45am as there are no staff on duty in the morning and children are in your care until they enter the school building. Also, please remember not to use the Front Office area as a cut through to the playground at the beginning or end of the school day. This makes the school unsafe, as at these busy times of the day, no one is monitoring who is coming in and out of the school building. Unless you need to speak to the office staff, please use the side gates.

| Date | Event | Details |
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| Fri 20 Sept | Jeans for Genes | Wear Jeans to school and donate £1 to the charity. |
| Fri 27 Sept | MacMillan Coffee Morning | All welcome. After assembly, from 11.20am, at the Juniors. |
| Fri 4 Oct | 5S (Jutland) Class Assembly | 11.00-11.15am. Parents and family welcome. |
| Tues 8 Oct | Parents' Evening | Appointment letter and details to follow. |
| Wed 9 Oct | Parents' Evening | Appointment letter and details to follow. |
| Fri 18 Oct | 4S (Camargue) Harvest Assembly | 11.00-11.15am. All welcome. |
| WB 14 Oct | Black History Week | Classwork celebrating black history. |
| Fri 18 Oct | Half term | Children return to school on Tuesday 29th October |
| Fri 8 Nov | 3M (Shetland) Class Assembly | 11.00-11.15am. Parents and family welcome. |
| Mon 11 Nov | Remembrance Day Assembly | 10.50 am. All welcome at our war memorial. |
| WB 11 Nov | Friendship Week | Classwork and events celebrating friendship and anti-bullying |
| Fri 15th Nov | 5D (Lippizan) Class Assembly | 11.00-11.15am. Parents and family welcome. |
| Mon 9th Dec | Christmas production Yr3 & Yr5 | Matinee 1.45pm. Ticket details to follow. |
| Tues 10th Dec | Christmas production Yr4 and Yr6 | Matinee 1.45pm. Ticket details to follow. |
| Wed 11th Dec | Christmas production Yr3 & Yr5 | 7.00 pm. Ticket details to follow. All Yr3 & Yr5 children expected to return for performance. |
| Thurs 12th Dec | Christmas production Yr4 & Yr6 | 7.00 pm. Ticket details to follow. All Yr4 & Yr6 children expected to return for performance. |
| Weds 18th Dec | Crafts and carols | From 1.45pm. Crafts in class with your child then carol sing-a-long. |
| Friday 20th Dec | Last day of term | Children return to school Tuesday 7th January 2020 |