



Whitehorse Manor Infant School

Thursday 22nd October 2020



Dear parents and carers,

I can't believe that we are already at the end of the first half term. It has been great to welcome the children back to school and see them settle so quickly into the new normal and make such a good start to the year. Throughout the school, we have been focusing on 'Building Learning Powers, with a particular focus on building resilience. The children have been demonstrating their perseverance and adaptability to the new situation. They have been learning how to manage distractions and to be absorbed in their learning since returning to their busy classrooms after a long period at home. Well done!

Although we are hoping that there will not be another school closure, some children have already needed to access remote learning due to self-isolation. All of our children have an Online Learning Passport, which can be found in the front of their reading diary, with all their 'log in' details. Please check you can access all the ones on your child's passport. Any queries please speak to your child's class teacher. Weekly home learning is uploaded to your child's class blog on a Sunday. Remember to keep checking the website www.pegasusacademytrust.org and please ensure the school holds the most up to date mobile number for you as we use this to text important messages to you.

Reminder- Non-uniform day Friday 23rd October

Don't forget that you can wear your own clothes tomorrow and bring a £1 donation for the Trusell Trust, a charity whose mission is to bring communities together to end hunger and poverty in the UK. Please help us to raise as much money as possible to support this worthy cause.

Nursery spaces available

We still have some nursery spaces available. The sessions run from 8:30am - 11:30am. If your child's date of birth falls between 01/09/16 and 31/08/17 and you are interested in a place or know someone else who is interested, please contact the school office.

Punctuality and Attendance

If your child is absent from school please let the office know via email at whinfadmin@pegasusacademytrust.org or phone the school office and press option 1 to report an absence. The office number is 0208 689 7679

PE kits

On PE days the children are expected to wear their PE kits to school. They should still wear their school sweatshirt or jumper over their PE t-shirt. Now that the weather is getting colder, a pair of plain black jogging bottoms would be preferable to shorts. Please do not send your child in with non-uniform track suits.

Applications for admissions to reception in Sept 2021-22

If your child was born between **1st September 2016 and 31st August 2017**, you must apply asap for a reception place. Apply online to Croydon Council www.croydon.gov.uk/admissions

Is your child currently in year 2?

If your child is currently in year 2, you need to apply for a year 3 place. Apply online at Croydon Council www.croydon.gov.uk/admissions

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 4th November - Return to school

Wednesday 16th December- End of term

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Sharon Russell- Head of School