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NEWSLETTER

The latest news & updates from Whitley & Eggborough

Primary School

We have had yet another amazing half term with lots of work that we are all incredibly proud of. Some of this was showcased in the merit assemblies and it was lovely to see so many of you there. As well as lots of work we have also had lots of fun with comic relief quizzes, workshops and discos.

Castleford Tigers have continued to come into school carrying out their rugby training with the children. They have focused on key skills and have had lots of fun carrying out drills on the playground.

Conrad Visit

Conrad Burdekin came into school to launch World Book Day, the children worked with him to write their own class poems and then performed to the whole school at the end of the day. The children had a great day and we had lots of poems coming into school that the children had written at home which was lovely to see.



World Book Day

It was lovely to see the children dressed up for World Book Day, we shared all the outfits in assembly and some of the children were featured in the Selby Times in their outfits. Thank you also to the PTA who had the great idea to sell CHAS bars with hidden golden tickets. The event raised around £500 which we will use to help lower the cost of coaches to hopefully be able to take the children on some visits in the summer term.





Acorns Chicks

Acorns class have been taking great care of some very special eggs that hatched into chicks! The children were fascinated watching them crack, hatch and then develop over the next week or so- they even named them. The chick named Batman was everyone's favourite!

Staffing updates

Thank you to Mrs Doganozu, who leaves us at the end of this term, for all her hard work and dedication to the school. We wish her every success in her future.



Comic Relief

Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief last Friday we raised £155. The children had a fun afternoon taking part in a whole school quiz too!

Diary Dates

April

8th - Back to school - 8.30am

May

6th - Bank Holiday Monday school closed

13th - 16th - Year 6 SATs week

17th - Sponsored Walk 1.30-3pm

24th - Break up half term

<u>June</u>

3rd - Back to school 8.30am

7th - 9th - Robinwood weekend

21st - Sports Day - Times TBC (weather permitting). KS1 am KS2 pm.

24th - Yes Day for tombola prize

25th - Reserve sports day

27th & 28th - Year 4/5 Boggle Hole

<u>July</u>

3rd - 5th - Snaith High Transition year 6

5th - PTA Summer Fayre 1.30pm

8th & 9th - Bikeability year 6 Group 1

10th & 11th - Bikeability year 6 Group 2

10th - Year 6 leavers' Production 5pm

11th - End of year disco - Reception - Year 2 4pm-5pm

Year 3 - Year 5 - 5.15-6.15pm

12th - Year 6 Filey trip

15th - Acorn/Elm/Cherry Merit Assembly - 9am

16th - Chestnut/Willow/Sycamore Merit Assembly - 9am

17th - Maple/Oak Merit Assembly - 9am

17th - Year 6 Whitfest 1.30pm

18th - Break up for Summer

19th - INSET Day

22nd - INSET Day

Attendance matters

Lost Learning due to Poor Attendance

Attendance at school is a priority for us. We want to give all our students the best start in life, and we know that education and support from school can help to do this

The chart below identifies the possible amount of lost learning due to poor attendance. How does your child compare?

Frequent absence can add up to a considerable amount of lost learning and can seriously disadvantage your child in adult life.

Nationally primary pupil attendance is around 96%. This means that a child needs to attend school for at least 177 out of 190 days (no more than 7 days absence across the whole year) to meet national expectations.

We will be continuing to work with North Yorkshire Council on improving our attendance at school.

Thank you to all Parents who ensure children are in school on time everyday and report any absences. This week's school attendance is 94%

. Every day counts!

If you require any support in improving your child's attendance, please do call in and see us.

Attendance during the school year	Equals this number of days absent	Which is approx this many weeks absent	Which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons