



Whiteshill Weekly News

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Another fantastic week in school. The children seem to have settled in really well and all the teachers are so pleased with their behaviour and positive learning attitudes so far. I have been particularly impressed with the behaviour at break and lunch time. The children move around the school very sensibly and it is a pleasure to see them playing together and supporting each other, as well as having lots of fun!

This week the children have started to really get stuck in to their topics for the term. In class 1 they are heading under the sea, class 2 and class 4 will be rocketing up to space and class 3 are venturing out to the jungle! Look out for topic maps coming home at the end of the week to keep you informed about the children's learning this term.



You may have noticed some new certificates making their way home this week. I have introduced some incentives for the children, in order to really spur them on in their learning and behaviour around school. On a Thursday I will be running celebration assembly where we all get together, children and staff, to celebrate the week's achievements. The certificates include; handwriting hero, we are proud of you, Miss Francis spotted you and you grew your brain this week! I'm sure the children will tell you a little more about them but if you would like to find out more, please do ask. I am also very keen to celebrate achievements outside of school. Don't forget, if there is anything your child would like to share, send it in at any time and it will be celebrated in the following Thursday assembly.



We will continue to award merit marks throughout the week and the year 6 children are tasked with counting these up and finding out which team has won. At the moment, the teams have colour names but I would like them to have a little more personality so I have asked the children to come up with ideas for names and a logo for each team. Competition entry forms should be in their bags tomorrow night and I look forward to seeing what they come up with! The winning design will be put on display in the hall to be used in assembly each week.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Wed 26 th Sept	School photographer	All classes
Mon 8 th Oct	Structured Conversations	Class 3
Wed 10 th Oct	Structured Conversations	Class 4
Thurs 11 th Oct	Structured Conversations	Class 2
Tue 16 th Oct	Parents' Evening – 5.30 – 7.00 approx	All classes
Wed 17 th Oct	Parents' Evening – 3.45 – 5.30 approx	All classes
Thurs 18 th Oct	Harvest Festival – 9.30am	All classes – families welcome
Fri 19 th Oct	LAST DAY IN SCHOOL	
Mon 22 nd – Fri 26 th Oct	HALF TERM	
Mon 29 th & Tue 30 th Oct	INSET DAYS	
Wed 31 st Oct	FIRST DAY BACK IN SCHOOL	
Fri 16 th Nov	Vue Cinema visit	Whole school
Wed 19 th December	Nativity Play at Church 2pm and 6pm	Whole school
Fri 21 st December	Xmas Forest School	Whole school
Fri 21 st December	LAST DAY IN SCHOOL	

Please note: structured conversations do not involve all children, you will be invited to attend nearer to the date if they are relevant to your child.

Finally, a few photos of the children busy learning this week...



Try and hear your child read and encourage them to read alone as often as possible at home, as it is so valuable and has an impact on all areas of their learning. Look out for spellings and homework books coming home for class 2 upwards.

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