## FRIDAY 5th October 2018

### **Sports**

This week the football and netball teams played their first matches in High 5 Netball and football against Bugle. The football was a brilliant success with Whitemoor winning 6-1. Two goals were scored by Isaac and one was from the half way line! The others were scored by Jack B, Connor and Koby along with an own goal. Enrik and Zach played in defence making sure that Bugle didn't score any goals.

Great job boys!

The girls played their first match with most of the team having very little experience. We came away with a draw 3-3 which we are extremely happy with. Bugle lost a player within the first quarter which meant we played 4 on 4 but this didn't faze the girls. We had a great defence from Jamie-Leigh and she even scored a goal! She was woman of the match. Tiana and Faith also scored a goal which helped to secure the draw. Brilliant first game girls. Let's hope for even better next time.

#### Class 1

This week we have been looking at toys from the past and present. Mrs Hatton kindly brought in her husband's old toys for the children to explore. They have also been very interested in making their own pulley toys using the mobilio and string. Next week we are going to be looking at travel.

#### Class 2

This week we had had a great day working without touching a pencil or a pen!! In the morning we acted out some plays that we had created ourselves based on the book 'Whatever Next'. Then we went into the hall and worked on our times tables using a ball. During the afternoon we began creating collages that related to our topic. We have all had a great day.

#### Class 3

Class 3 had a great day on 'No Pens Wednesday' They learnt about the River Nile to link with our topic and acted out a story to learn about the different parts of a story. They finished off with a music lesson that taught them all about rhythm. We have been following the final parts of the Mummy's blog to prepare us for our trip to the museum.

#### Class 4

Class 4 have a had a busy time this week and have been working very hard once again. 'No Pen Wednesday' was a particularly interesting day and included model making of Spitfires and Dress-up Dolls, in keeping with the World War 2 topic.

Year 6 have once more proved their ability to act exceptionally well and have all participated in the third of the drama workshops in preparation for the performance of Macbeth at Brannel School in November.

Maths lessons are still covering Place Value and will do for the next few weeks, and despite working with number up to 1 million the class are getting to grips with it very well. English and Topic work have provided the opportunity to look at time lines and place events leading up to, and during, the Second World War in chronological order - Class 4 are learning so much!

Well done Year 5 and Year 6... we have had another good week!

## Photographs—Monday 8th October

On Monday 8th October all pupils will have their individual photos taken. If you would like a family photograph and have younger siblings who do not attend school then this option is available. The photographer will be here from 8:30am and will begin with family photos.

### **Cross Country**

Please be advised the Cross Country races commence next week, during the next few months children will be going to Par running track to compete against other children across the county. If your child has been selected they will have taken a letter home on Wednesday.

## **Cornwall County Gymnastics Championship**

We would all like to congratulate Jenson, from Class 3, who competed in the Cornwall county gymnastics championship in Helston last week. He had an amazing day and achieved Bronze on floor, joint Gold in vault and joint Gold overall, making him Cornwall intermediate, 8 years and under county champion. We are all very proud of Jenson.

We love hearing about how well the children are doing outside of school, please feel free to share with us any exciting news or achievements that your child/children do outside of school.

## **Bikeability**

Year 5 started their bikeability training this week and with a couple of the Year 6 included in the group, have shown that they have the potential to become safe and very proficient cyclists.

They will be progressing onto level 2 in a couple of weeks time.



### **Attendance**

We need to make all parents aware that we are looking at children's attendance in school. We will be very closely monitoring the children with attendance lower than 95% as this is classed as Persistent



Absence. Regular attendance at school is vital to help children achieve and get the best possible start in life. Children who frequently miss school often fall behind. There is a strong link between good school attendance and achieving good results. For this reason holiday request will not be authorised.

# .Attendance

Class 1 = 96.9%

Class 2 = 95%

Class 3 = 97.8%

Class 4 = 98.3%

#### **Year 6 Admissions**

Can we please remind all our year 6 parents to apply for their child's secondary school place prior to 31st October 2018. Applications can be completed online via the Cornwall Council Website

https://emsi.cornwall.gov.uk/CitizenPortal/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=%2FCitizenPortal%2F

### **Mrs Jago**

After 32 years of service Mrs Jago has now resigned as Teaching Assistant. We are holding an assembly on Friday 12th October where pupils can present her with cards and gifts, if you wish to make a donation please send it into school with your child.

### **Social Media**

For all our new parents, please be aware that we have a Facebook page and a Twitter account. Please follow us for up to date news. Search Whitemoor Academy or follow us on Twitter on @Whitemooracad.

### Meet the Staff

Mrs Hatton is a Teaching Assistant in Class 1, she joined Whitemoor in 2006.

Mrs Hatton currently leads Construction Club on a Monday. Mrs Hatton enjoys spending time with her family and is currently expecting her first Grandchild in December.



# **Contact Information**

Can we kindly remind parents/guardians to notify the school of any amendments to their contact details.

## **Calendar Dates**

Monday 8th October— Individual photographs
Tuesday 9th October—Sponsored Activity Morning
Friday 7th December - KS2 trip to Theatre Royal Plymouth

Tuesday 11th December—Christmas Dinner Day

# **Dates for 2018/2019**

### School will be closed on these days.

- \*\*Monday 29th October 2018\*\*
- \*\*Thursday 20th December 2018\*\*
  - \*\*Friday 5th April 2019\*\*
  - \*\*Friday 7th June 2019\*\*

A polite reminder that payments for school dinners must be made in advance. We thank you for your cooperation.