

## Friday 18th March 2022

It's been another busy week for us this week, with lots of learning taking place. Unfortunately, our football fixture on Tuesday against Bugle was cancelled by Bugle due to Covid cases within Bugle's football team. Well done to the team who stayed behind and had a friendly match against each other.

As this is being written, our netball and football teams are out playing a match against Luxulyan. We are so pleased that the children are able to access these sorts of opportunities again and look forward to taking part in other sporting activities next term, including a rounders competition and a tag rugby tournament.

We have exciting developments this week regarding our plans for the outdoor space and outdoor learning. We are pleased to inform you that plans are now well underway for the development of our science garden and that we had a meeting yesterday to look at plans for having our own forest school provision. We will update you as things progress.

Next week we have our KS2 residential trip to look forward to. I know that the children are all very excited about this and I am certain that they will have an amazing time. If you have any questions about the trip then please do speak to Mr Gray or Mrs Sumption. We also encourage parents who haven't already, to ensure that medical forms are completed as soon as possible.

Mrs G Hooper Head of School

#### This week in class ....

Class 1	This week in Class 1 we have been looking at George the friendly Giant. We have talked about how to be kind and have enjoyed completing our kind friend lent where we have to do a new kind thing each day from saying thank you to making the bed. Nursery children have also made a thank you card for someone they want to thank. We have enjoyed pressing the numicon numbers into the playdough and using the diggers in the sand to find letter shells. We are excited about our school trip in a few weeks, if you havent paid please do so soon. Thank you
Class 2	Class 2 are really enjoying their Beatrix Potter topic. This week, we have worked on the Tale of Benjamin Bunny in English and, in History, placed significant events that happened in Beatrix Potter's lifetime onto a timeline. Year 1 children have been practising their "counting on" skills for addition in maths, and Year 2 children have been looking at adding equal groups as an introduction to multiplication. We had fun throwing and catching while moving in PE and enjoyed using the Beebots in Computing. Another fantastic week for our KS1 children!
Class 3	Class 3 enjoyed learning about Jackson Pollock, who was famous for drip painting. We chose a nice day to go outside and mix colours, use sticks and drip paint in the sunshine. We were all very impressed with the results. In P.S.H.E we discussed what constitutes a healthy life. Then, we designed a hotel and a healthy menu for guests that would provide a variety of healthy activities for them to choose to do. In Science, we carried out a comparative test to see the effect of a carbonated liquid on the buoyancy of a raisin compared to water. In English, we wrote a letter using persuasive features to Albus Dumbledore, hoping he will let us join Hogwarts.
Class 4	Class 4 have had some great outdoor time this week and enjoyed playing games together as a whole class. As well as spending time outside, Year 6 have been tackling algebra in maths and Year 5 have been converting units of time. Both year groups have worked hard and are making good progress. Our film, 'The Black Hole, on which we based our English lesson this week, proved excellent inspiration for writing and we have produced some very interesting pieces ! All in all another productive week for Class 4 so very well done to you!





We are looking for a **motivated** and **enthusiastic** Teaching Assistant to join our team here at Whitemoor Academy, this is based on 27.75 hours per week, term time only and on a permanent

> basis. For more details, please click on the below link.

### Current Vacancies - The Aspire Academy Trust

#### The proposed interview date is 28th March 2022 .

**Delaware:** It is not long now for our residential at Delaware Outdoor Education Centre. All information has been sent out and we are very excited. As a reminder, please pack a lunch (unless ordered from the kitchen) with a refillable drinks bottle for the first day.

The long range forecast is looking settled, but please follow the recommended kit list as much as you can as the weather can change quickly. If there is any further information that you require then please do not hesitate to contact the school on <u>hello@whitemoor.org.uk</u>.

We have a great few days lined up for those children not attending camp next week. As well as the opportunity to spend quality time outside with some extra planned activities at break time and lunch time, the children will be given the chance to enjoy some self-directed learning and linked DT project. This will take place over the three days and will be delivered by a teacher and teaching assistant. We envisage the children having a lovely time at school and know they will be happy working alongside their friends across the two classes.

#### **Volunteers**

We now have one regular parent volunteer in school on a Wednesday morning who is currently supporting in Class 2. We would be able to accommodate more volunteers in classrooms, supporting the children's learning but also for listening to readers or helping with afterschool clubs/lunchtime clubs and breaktimes. If there are any other parents/carers who feel that they may be able to volunteer in school, please do get in touch.

#### <u>Covid</u>

Cases are rising again in Cornwall; you may be aware that this has affected us as a school. We would like to inform you that this may have an impact on our catering team here at Whitemoor. There may be a case where at very short notice, there maybe an emergency menu or provision being brought from another Aspire kitchen. We will communicate with you if this issue arises.

#### Whole School Easter Egg Hunt

On **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**, we will be holding an Easter trail at school where the children can complete activities to win an Easter egg. If you would like your child to take part then please make your payment of £1 on Parent Pay by the **31<sup>st</sup> March**. Thank you.

**Summer Fair :** We are looking to recruit a committee of eager staff and parents to support us in planning and organising this year's Summer Fair. The fair will be held on Friday 15th July (Weather permitting) and will the first fair since 2019. We really want to make this event a success but we can't do it without your support. There will be a meeting for anyone interested in being part of the Summer Fair Committee this will be held face to face in school. We will let you know when we plan to hold the meeting. If you are interested in supporting the event, then please email hello@whitemoor.org.uk and let us know.

#### **Important Upcoming Dates**

- 22.03.22: Football & Netball fixture against Roche
- 23.03.22 to 25.03.22: KS2 Delaware Trip
- 28.03.22 Reception & Year 6 Health Checks (see email sent of information)
- 31.03.22: Class 1 Library Trip
- 07.04.22: Brannel Disco Years 5 & 6
- 08.04.22: Whole School Easter Egg Hunt
- 11.04.22 to 22.04.22: Easter Holidays
- 25.04.22: Return to School/Nursery
- 02.05.22: May Bank Holiday
- 30.05.22: May Bank Holiday
- 31.05.22 to 03.06.22: Half Term Week
- 06.06.22 to 07.06.22: School/Nursery Closed (Queen's Jubilee)
- 27.06.22 to 08.07.22: Class 4 Swimming for 2weeks

# Well Done!

#### **Fundraising**

Thank you for the Bags2School donations , we managed to raise **£36.00**. We plan to use this money to order new Geography resources including world maps and atlases.

Thank you for the support given towards the sponsored read event. We are pleased to say that we raised **£336.20**. This money is now being spent on developing our library and purchasing new books for the school. A big shout out to Amelia, Mia and Neveah who raised the most money.



## Headteacher Awards

Congratulations to the following children for achieving headteacher award this week:

Class 1: Ella

Class 2: Eva-May

Class 3: Beth

Class 4: Paddy