### Thursday 17th February 2022

It has been a fantastic week here at Whitemoor Academy. Our Covid restrictions were lifted just in time for Class 2 and 3 to go on their class trips. Both classes had a great time and enjoyed learning outside of school for the first time in a long time. For some children, this was their first ever school trip. They were all so well behaved and a credit to our school.

This week also saw the Year 6 children complete their Bikeability sessions out on the roads around the village. They showed such perseverance and we are so proud of how they all got on.

Just another reminder that school is closed to pupils tomorrow as it is an INSET day. The staff will all be in school completing some science training.

I would like to wish you all a lovely week off and look forward to seeing you again on Monday 28th February.

Mrs G Hooper Head of School



## We're hiring!!

We are looking for a motivated and enthusiastic Teaching Assistant to work 16.25 hours per week, term time only and on a permanent basis.



The role will involve lunchtime supervisory duties.

The proposed interview date is Friday 4th March 2022. More information can be found on the Aspire website.

**Current Vacancies - The Aspire Academy Trust** 

**PE kit reminder** - After half term we will be asking children to bring their PE kits into school to change for PE lessons. We have noticed that there is a wide variety of what children are wearing on PE days and would like to remind you that PE kit should consist of the following only:

- Black shorts/ Black jogging bottoms
- A white polo shirt or blue Whitemoor logo t-shirt
- Black plimsolls or trainers

School jumper - There is no need for the children to bring a separate hoodie or sweatshirt

Monday: Class 3 Tuesday: Class 4 Wednesday: Class 1 Thursday: Class 2

#### **Delaware**

Just a reminder to all parents about payments for Delaware must be **paid in full by 21st March 2022**. You should by now have received the kit list. Please keep an eye out for an invite to a parent information session very soon.

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

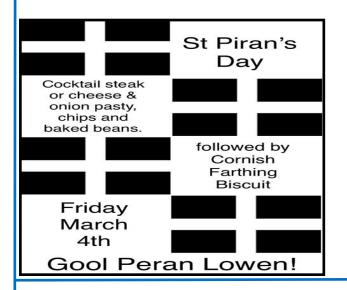
Class 1	This week the children have enjoyed learning all about Jack and the Beanstalk. They have been building beanstalks and towers in the clouds. We have enjoyed our last week with Miss Snow but we will miss her very much. Good Luck Miss Snow.
Class 2	Class 2 have had an amazing week! We enjoyed sharing stories during Snuggle-Down Day and wrote super book reviews to recommend our books to our friends. Our trip to Eden didn't go quite to plan, but was a fantastic success! Due to the weather, the ice wasn't thick enough for our ice-play session, so we went ice skating instead! The children amazed us with their skill and determination. We were proud of their exemplary behaviour all day too! Well done, Class 2!
Class 3	Class 3 had a wonderful time at the Tate St. Ives on Tuesday. The children were so well-behaved and we even had members of the public commenting on how polite they were. In English, we finalised our plans for our story and now we have the exciting part of writing it. In history, we have been learning about local history. We learnt that there was a clay worker strike back in 1913, that helped to form stronger unions, that eventually led to increased wages, conditions and a general fairer society.
Class 4	Well done Class 4 for another week of great learning. You have all shown how hard you can work and how willing you are to face a challenge! Year 6 have done extremely well with the 'Bikeability course this week and although the weather was against you on Wednesday afternoon, you are well on the way to receiving your certificates. A big thank you to all of you who have brought in topic related items from home over the past weeks, we do love sharing these and the stories behind them! Our Jungle Book topic continues after half term so anything that you would like to share with the class that is relevant to the subject would be lovely to see. Have a great half term and see you all after the break.

#### **Important Upcoming Dates**

- 18.02.22: Aspire INSET Day: school closed
- 21.02.22 to 25.02.22: Half Term Week
- ♦ 28.02.22: Children back to school/nursery
- 28.02.22 to 04.03.22: Class 3 Swimming week
- 01.03.22: Delaware Parents Meeting 3:30pm
- 01.03.22: Whitemoor V Nanpean Football Fixture
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- 07.03.22 to 11.03.22: Class 2 Swimming week
- 23.03.22 to 25.03.22: KS2 Delaware Trip
- 31.03.22: Class 1 Library Trip
- 27.06.22 to 08.07.22: Class 4 Swimming for 2weeks

#### Message from the kitchen:

On Friday 4th March we are cooking a special menu (see below). This is now bookable via ParentPay.



#### **World Book Day**

World Book Day is on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. We have asked that children dress as a book character and if possible, come to school with the book that the character is from.

We will be distributing the World Book Day vouchers on this day and having a fun filled day with lots of activities to celebrate how much we love reding. We do ask that Class 3 children please bring a change of clothes that are easy to get in and out of due to swimming lessons in the afternoon.

The children will change into their normal clothes before going on the bus to the swimming pool.

#### **WAFA**

We are still looking for a group of enthusiastic parents to reinstate the Whitemoor Academy Friends Association. The parent group will work alongside school staff to support us with events such as the Christmas and summer fair and Easter egg hunt.

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We had several volunteers for general support last term but do not currently have a committee.

If you think you would be interested in giving your support, chairing the group or acting as the secretary or treasurer, then please contact us at hello@whitemoor.org.uk and we will set up a coffee morning to discuss how to move this forward.

#### 1-minute maths app

Help your EYFS and KS1 children master number and build their confidence using the new White Rose 1-Minute Maths app. This app supports what your child is learning in school. Well worth the free download - no log in or internet access required.





#### **Headteacher Awards**

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



Class 1: Evelyn Class 2: Neveah Class 3: Lilly Class 4: Xander

#### Sponsored Read

After half term and in the lead up to World Book Day, we will be asking the children to take part in a sponsored read. Please look out for more information on the first day back.

#### **Reminders:**

- Delaware Camping Meeting: Mr Gray will be holding a parent meeting in the school hall on 1st March at 3:30pm.
- Swimming Lessons: Class 3 swimming lessons will start the first week back after half term. We ask for consents and payments for all swimming lessons to be completed before your child/ren swimming starts.

Half Term Activities from Blackbird Pie: Activities in Cornwall for families | Blackbird Pie Magazine

# We look forward to welcoming pupils back on Monday 28th February.