



Friday 13th May 2022

'Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.' - Aristotle

Well done to our amazing Year 6s who completed their SATs this week. Whilst we are confident that the children have done their very best, we are very aware that the SATs do not assess all that makes our children special and unique. The people who create and mark these tests do not know the children in the way that we do, and certainly not in the way that their families do. The tests are just one part of a much bigger picture. We are so proud of the kind, thoughtful and hard working young people they all are and look forward these final months with them before they move to secondary school.

We have a lot of exciting opportunities in store in the coming weeks.

Mrs G Hooper
Head of School

This week in class

Class 1	This week has been a great week where the children have been learning facts about the animals and the reception children made our own flip up page for a book. The nursery children created their own rock pool and enjoyed exploring sea creatures. We have an open phonics session next week on Wednesday 18th. We also have booked our school for Tuesday 12th July. As we are taking public transport we are waiting to hear back about the final costing of this, We have a rough estimate of £6. We are also looking for one more parent helper to come long with us. If you would like to join the children on an adventure please come and speak to me. Thank you to the nursery parents who have already offered their help.
Class 2	Class 2 have finished their amazing persuasive letters to Mrs Hooper in English and have worked on expanded noun phrases and adverbs this week. In Maths, Year 1 children are now masters of mass and experts at weighing! Year 2 children have learnt about equivalent fractions and can find halves, thirds and quarters. We had fun planting our beans in soil in Science and have been delighted to see them sprout! We learnt about different kinds of houses in Geography and completed an energetic map symbol challenge in PE! Great learning everyone!
Class 3	Class 3 enjoyed planting tomato plants this week in science. We found out about salty soil in Mexico and wondered if plants grew better in salty or non-salty soil. Our comparative test will also help us to understand what a plant needs to grow. In English, we are finalising our non-chronological report on the Yellow-Spotted Lizard. We are learning how to proof-read and edit our work to make it the very best. In maths, we are learning how to tell the time and convert pounds and pence. In art, we learned about Yayoi Kusama and looked at the dots and patterns that she is famous for to create a piece of artwork of a butterfly.
Class 4	What a great week for Class 4! Year 6 have completed their SATs and have tried extremely hard. Well done to you all! Year 5 have enjoyed spending time supporting younger pupils in some of their lessons this week and as well as being able to share their knowledge of maths and English have been able to consolidate their own understanding too. We are all looking forward to our GWR Skills Event at St Austell Fire Station next Wednesday, it will be a very informative morning. Remember to be at school by 08.45 ready for a prompt start. Class 4 you all deserve a well-earned rest this weekend. Enjoy! 😊

Important Upcoming Dates

- 18.05.2022—Class 4 Trip to St Austell Fire Station (morning only).
- 19.05.2022—CENSUS Day (see special menu & book meals via ParentPay)
- 27.05.2022—Jubilee Celebrations
- 27.05.2022—Class 3 Trip to Ennis Barton Farm
- 30.05.22 to 03.06.22: Half Term Week (School/Nursery closed)
- ♦ 06.06.22: School/Nursery closed (Queen’s Jubilee)
- ♦ 07.06.22: Inset Day School closed to all pupils
- ♦ 15.06.22: Whole school beach clean (date has been changed from 17/06 to 15/06)
- ♦ 16.06.22: Sport’s Day (21st June back up date)
- ♦ 27.06.22—Class 4 Swimming starts (two week block)
- ♦ 29.06.22 Class 2 Trip to Wheal Martyn: (New date)
- ♦ 11.07.22—Brannel Year 5 Transition
- ♦ 12.07.22—Class 1 trip to Bodmin Parkway
- ♦ 15.07.22—Summer Fair

More dates to follow. Please also see ‘Summer Term’ dates emailed this week for more future dates.



Headteacher Awards

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



Class 1: Archie

Class 2: Lottie

Class 3: Jacob

Class 4: Jenson C

BBQ SEASON

CENSUS DAY
Thursday 19th May

Build your own Burger
Oven Baked Wedges
Sweetcorn

Build your own Quorn burger
Oven Baked Wedges
Sweetcorn

Vanilla Ice Cream Cone
Or
Fruit

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

ParentPay Menu

We would like to remind parents/carers to make sure meals are booked or un-booked via your ParentPay account where necessary.

Special Menu’s have been updated on ParentPay (see posters):

- 19th May: Census Day**
- 27th May: Jubilee Celebrations

****Census Day menu, please make sure to book a meal for your child as this helps funding our school. Thank you.**

Friday 27th May

Jubilee Celebration

Large Sausage Roll
Veg Sticks
Quorn Sausage Roll
Veg Sticks

Jubilee Cupcake



Jubilee Afternoon On **Friday the 27th May**, we will be celebrating the Queen's jubilee. On this day, we invite children to come to school wearing red, white and blue or other Jubilee dress. All classes will be learning more about why we celebrate the jubilee and we have planned a special jubilee 'street party' lunch (fingers crossed for good weather). In addition to this, there will be a cake sale during the afternoon. We please ask that you pay for your child's cake in advance on Parent Pay, we will update you when payment is live on ParentPay.

Reminder: Please can we ask children with long hair to be tied back as we have had a case of children with Nits in school. Thank you.

Open Afternoons

We have made the decision to bring back our termly open afternoons for parents to have the chance to come into school, see the classrooms and look at your child's books. Please see below for the dates for these events. Both of these afternoons will start at **2.30pm**. We look forward to seeing you then

Class 1 and 3 - Friday 10th June

Class 2 and 4 - Friday 17th June

Whole School Beach Clean

Please note that the whole school beach day date has changed to the 15th June instead of the 17th. A letter will be sent out about this in the coming weeks.

Class Trips

Please see 'Important Upcoming Dates' on this newsletter of our school trips this term. We aim to give parents/carers plenty of notice of our trips where we can. All trips will be bookable/payable via ParentPay once letters have been sent home:

Class 1 trip to: Bodmin Parkway (letter to follow)

Class 2 trip to: Wheal Martyn (letter to follow)

Class 3 trip to: Ennis Barton Farm (letter to follow)

Class 4 trip to: Newquay Zoo (letter to follow)

Parent survey

Last term, we asked you to complete a parent survey. We have not had many responses to this survey so please see the link again: https://forms.office.com/pages/designpagev2.aspx?lang=en-US&origin=OfficeDotCom&route=Start&subpage=design&id=rVOWGVbBBUq60whMGjC2GNXjJsp_D5R0rBrNGfhmZpBUQ1cxSVU0OFpYTEILMEpXVzZPWEpSVETLMi4u

We would appreciate it if this could be completed by Friday 20th May. Thank you.

Attendance

At Whitemoor Academy we understand lateness and illness will happen, if your child is going to be late or off school due to illness or any other reason, please inform the school office via telephone or email: hello@whitemoor.org.uk. We will mark attend accordingly. Should we not hear from parents/carers of your child's absence, this will be marked as Unauthorised absence. Please see the link below of the Aspire Academy Trust Attendance Policy: [Aspire-Attendance-Policy-Ratified-Dec-2021.pdf \(rackcdn.com\)](#)

Attendance this week:

Class 1: 96.6%

Class 2: 92.7%

Class 3: 93.2%

Class 4: 90.2%

Please help us and your child by ensuring that their attendance remains above 95%

Sporting achievements

Well done to the children who competed in the rounders competition at Poltair last Friday afternoon. The children demonstrated such fantastic team work and played so well. Big shout outs to Faith and Fraya who were the Whitemoor players of the tournament. We are now looking forward to next week's Quad Kids competition for the selected Class 3 and 4 children next week. Parents should have already received a letter about this if your child is involved.

Later in the term, we will send out more information about the upcoming EYFS games which are taking place at Biscovey school.

Sports day - 16th June

We know that parents may need to make arrangements for time off work for events such as sports day. Please see below for a plan for the day:

11.45am arrive.

12pm Family picnic on the 'Amazing field'.

1pm Sports start on the sports' field

We aim to finish by the end of the school day. Please note that this is a whole school event. The nursery children will have all of their sporting events first as we know it may be tiring for them. If you have a child in nursery, we ask that parents please take their child after their events are complete.

We hope that the weather will be on our side, however, if it is not, we have a back up date of the 21st of June in our diary.

Now the weather is getting warmer, please can we ask children to wear sunscreen to school. If you are bringing in sunscreen to school, please can the bottle have a label on it with your child/ren's name. Thank you.

Football After School Club will not be running on Tuesday 17th May as Miss Towner will be running another sporting event on this day. This club will run again the following week.

PARENT SUPPORT ADVISOR

Hi, my name is **Sarah Chown**, and I am the Parent Support Adviser covering Whitemoor Academy.

Parenting is not an easy job and at times things can get tough. As a Parent Support Adviser (PSA), I am here to support you with any worries or concerns, or just be a friendly face when you need one.

I can offer advice, or signpost to the relevant agencies for issues such as:

- Housing, debt, bereavement, Separation and Divorce, and Transport issues to school.
- Behaviour concerns, sleep issues, dietary and wellbeing concerns.

I am happy to meet with parents in school, or in the comfort of your own home. You can reach me on my mobile **07512267449** or I will be in the school every **Tuesday**. Tea and biscuits will always be available! I look forward to meeting you all.