Whiteheath
Infant and Nursery School
Learning, Fun & Friends

Newsletter

Friday 23rd October 2026

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week at Whiteheath! On Monday, Mrs Marks started the week with some exciting science experiments in assembly. The children were fascinated and thoroughly enjoyed watching the experiments unfold.

On Tuesday, the children came together for their weekly singing assembly, filling the hall with wonderful voices. Wednesday's assembly focused on the Habit of Mind All Ears, encouraging children to listen carefully and thoughtfully to others.

This week also saw our Parents' Evenings take place over two evenings. A huge thank you to all our teachers for the time, care and preparation that goes into these meetings, and to our parents and carers for attending. Working together helps us achieve the very best for our children.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Tuesday 3rd November.

In the meantime, I would like to wish all our families a restful and enjoyable half-term break.

Best wishes,

Mrs Hall

Headteacher

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Key Dates

EVENT	DATE
October Half-Term	**Monday 26th – Friday 30th October**
Staff Training Day (School Closed)	**Monday 2nd November**
Reception Trip to the Allotment (New Date) (Parent Volunteers School DBS required – please contact School Office for information)	Wednesday 11th November
Year 1 Local Trip (Parent Volunteers School DBS required – please contact School Office for information)	Thursday 12th November
WISA Quiz Night	Friday 13th November
Children in Need Day	Friday 13th November
Flu Vaccinations in school	Friday 13th November
SEN coffee morning	Monday 23rd November 9:00am
Christmas Fayre	Friday 4th December
Year 1 Christmas Show (dress rehearsal)	Tuesday 8th December
Year 1 Christmas Show	Thursday 10th December 9:10am & 2:30pm
Flu Vaccinations in school	Monday 14th December
Rocksteady Concert	Tuesday 15th December 9:30-10:30am & 2:15-3:15pm
End of Term	Friday 18th December at 12:20pm
Staff Training Day (School Closed)	Monday 4th January
Start of Term	Tuesday 5th January

Updates/Changes in red.

School News, Events & Updates

Weekly Attendance by Class

Class	Attendance %
Nursery	91.2
Wrens	93.6
Swans	91.7
Doves	98.5
Robins	96.4
Owls	99.2
Puffins	93.0
Swallows	99.3

Weekly Attendance Winners: Swallows! (99.3%)

Kingfishers Wrap Around Club

Please be reminded that all wraparound care bookings for the following week must be made by 12:00 pm (midday) on the Friday before. This deadline is strictly enforced to allow us to plan staffing and ensure the safe and smooth running of our provision.

Please note that we will no longer be able to accept or make bookings on behalf of parents who miss the Friday midday cut-off. It is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that bookings are submitted on time.

We would also like to remind families that credits or refunds cannot be offered for sessions missed due to illness or any other absence.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in helping us manage our wraparound care provision effectively. We kindly ask all families to plan ahead and ensure bookings are completed before the deadline.

Poppy Appeal

To support this year's Poppy Appeal, poppies and other remembrance items will be on sale most mornings from **2nd November to 13th November**.
Children are welcome to bring in a donation if they wish to purchase an item. Please note that some items, such as **snap bands**, will not be allowed to be worn during the school day and will need to be kept safely in children's book bags until home time.

Thank you for supporting this important cause.

Flu Immunisation Programme

The Flu Immunisation Programme team will be visiting school on **Friday 13th November**, with a follow-up visit on **Monday 14th December** for any children who missed the initial session.
Parents and carers do not need to be present, as school staff will be there to support the children throughout the process. Parents and carers should have received an email or text message from the immunisation team requesting consent for their child to receive the flu vaccination.
Please ensure you complete the consent process if you would like your child to be vaccinated.

Birthday Celebrations in School

We love celebrating birthdays and making each child feel special on their big day!
A gentle reminder that we ask families **not to bring sweets, treats or gift bags to hand out to children at the classroom door**. Birthdays will be celebrated with the child and their classmates in school.
If you would like to mark your child's birthday in another way, families are very welcome to **donate a book to their child's class** for everyone to enjoy. This is a lovely way to celebrate their special day while adding something lasting to the class library.
Thank you for helping us make birthdays special, inclusive and enjoyable for everyone.

HCL Lunch Bookings: If any Parents/Carers are experiencing difficulties with the lunch booking system, please contact the team directly on: **citrus.feedback@hcl.co.uk**

📣 School News, Events & Updates 📣

🚲🛴 Important Playground & Safety Reminders

To ensure the safety of all children and families during the busy drop-off and pick-up times, please follow these guidelines:

-**Bikes and Scooters:** Students **must** dismount from their bikes and scooters as they enter the school gates. Please then walk them directly to the respective bike and scooter shelters.

- After-School Dismissal: For safety reasons, scooters are not permitted on the playground at pick-up time. Children must be walked around to collect their scooters from the shelter/rack after they have been dismissed.

- Playground Equipment: School playground equipment is closed before and after school. Children are not permitted on the equipment outside of school hours.

Thank you for your ongoing cooperation in keeping our school community safe

🌞 Nursery Applications – September 2027

Nursery applications close in January 2027.

If you would like information about applying for a Nursery place at our school, including details of the application process, please **contact the School Office**, who will be happy to help and provide you with everything you need to apply.

🏫 Applying for a School Place – September 2027

Nursery parents will have received information about **applying for a primary school place for September 2027**. If your child was born between **1 September 2022 and 31 August 2023**, it is now time to submit their application for a full-time school place. The closing date for applications is **Friday 15 January 2027**.

🏫 Year 2 – Applying for Junior School (September 2027)

While Whiteheath Junior School is our feeder school, you **must still submit an application** if you wish for your child to attend there in September 2027. A separate application is required for every child, regardless of siblings already attending. The closing date for applications is **Friday 15 January 2027**. Applications submitted after this date will be considered **late**, and your child may not be guaranteed a place.

Voluntary Contributions to Our School

We are pleased to let parents and carers know that there is now an option to make a voluntary contribution to our school through the SchoolMoney app. Donations are greatly appreciated and will help us provide additional resources, enriching experiences and opportunities for our children. We understand that every family's circumstances are different, and we would like to reassure parents that contributions are entirely optional, with absolutely no expectation or obligation to donate. We are incredibly grateful for the continued generosity and support of our school community. Every contribution helps us make a positive difference to the children's school experience. Thank you for your ongoing support.



🐓 **Kingfishers Wrap Around Club – More Spaces Available!**

We're pleased to let families know that we have **expanded the number of places available in our Kingfishers Wrap Around Club**. 🎉

Our club provides **safe, friendly and convenient before- and after-school care** in a familiar school environment. 🏫💚

💷 **Need help with childcare costs?**
Families may be eligible for financial support with childcare. Visit the Government's **Best Start in Life** website to find out what help may be available:

🔗 www.beststartinlife.gov.uk

🌿 **Find out more about Kingfishers Wrap Around Club,** including our provision and how to book:

🔗 **https://whiteheathinfant.secure-primarysite.net/wrap-around-school-clubs/**

🍎 FREE SCHOOL MEALS – PLEASE COMPLETE AN ELIGIBILITY CHECK

Did you know that even though **all Whiteheath children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 already receive free school meals,** it is still important to check whether your child qualifies for **benefits-related Free School Meals**?

💷 An eligible child may bring **up to £1,550 in additional Pupil Premium funding** into our school to support learning, wellbeing and opportunities.

🌼 Eligibility may also give families access to additional support such as the **Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme**.

📢 **Free School Meals eligibility has expanded from September 2026,** including children from households receiving Universal Credit, so please check even if you have applied before or think you may not qualify.

☑ Checking does not mean your child has to eat a school meal every day.

👉 **Complete the quick eligibility check here:** https://fsm.lgfl.net/



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Menus are subject to change due to supplier stock availability. * Free from the key 14 allergens and plant based/vegan

Parent Copy

Key Allergens and Carbohydrate Count

BONFIRE NIGHT THEME DAY	Key Allergens	Infant Fat Content (in g per portion)	Infant - CHO Count (in g per portion)	Infant Fat Content (in g per portion)	Junior - CHO Count (in g per portion)
Hot Dog Banger with Cheese & Fried Onions (v)	Gluten (Wheat), Milk, Egg, MC Sesame, MC Soya	14.4	28	14.4	28
Pizza Catherine Wheel	Gluten (Wheat), Milk, Soya, MC Egg	6.7	19	7.8	23
Firecracker Wedges	-	0.9	15	1.1	18
Hot Potato with Baked Beans (Ve)	-	0.5	43	0.5	43
	-	0.3	9	0.3	9
Beans	-	0.2	6	0.2	6
Corn	-	0.9	8 (per 50g ptn)	0.9	8 (per 50g ptn)
Desserts					
Hot Chocolate Sponge	Egg, Milk, Soya, Gluten (Wheat)	2.7	17	2.9	18
Chocolate Custard	Milk	0.4	11	0.4	11

We now manage 'may contain' statements. May contain on the Key Allergen Matrix indicates that 'may contain' has been voluntary provided by the food manufacture on ingredients. Manufacturers are only required to provide the 'contain' information on the 14 EU key allergens used as ingredients in the food and drink they provide. As there is no specific legal requirement for food manufacturers to label food with 'may contain', this may not be conclusive and therefore we cannot guarantee any product may not contain traces.

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Winter Menu 26

● **WEEK 1:** 1 Sept, 21 Sept, 12 Oct, 2 Nov, 23 Nov, 14 Dec, 4 Jan, 25 Jan, 22 Feb, 15 Mar ● **WEEK 2:** 7 Sept, 28 Sept, 19 Oct, 9 Nov, 30 Nov, 11 Jan, 1 Feb, 1 Mar, 22 Mar ● **WEEK 3:** 14 Sept, 5 Oct, 16 Nov, 7 Dec, 18 Jan, 8 Feb, 8 Mar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL 1	Pork Sausages & Gravy	Mexican Bean Burrito (v)	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Chicken Pie & Gravy	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Sweet Potato & Chickpea Curry (Ve)	Mac 'n' Cheese (v)	Roast Quorn Fillet with Stuffing & Gravy (Ve)	Breaded Bean & Vegetable Grill (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Mashed Potatoes or Brown & White Rice	Diced Potatoes or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Mashed Potatoes or Pasta	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v)	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo
NO EGG MAYO COLD FIXED	Salmon Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Oat & Raisin Cookie (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Apple Crumble & Custard (v)	Chocolate Brick Wall (Ve)

MAIN MEAL 1	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatballs with Sweet & Tangy Sauce	Chicken Curry	Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy	Quorn Burger (v)	Battered Fish
MAIN MEAL 2	Sunshine Eggs with Baked Beans (v)	Cheese Pinwheel (v)	Quorn Pieces with Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (v)	Veggie Bolognese (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Brown & White Rice or Potato Wedges	Brown & White or Diced Potatoes	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Potato Wedges or Spaghetti	Potato Wedges or Tricolour Pasta
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v)	Samon Mayo, Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo
NO EGG MAYO COLD FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Cheese Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Shortbread (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Pear & Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Custard	Jammy Cookie (Ve)

MAIN MEAL 1	Beef Bolognese	Quorn Hotdog (v)	Roast Chicken with Stuffing & Gravy	Beef Burger	Fish Fillet Fingers
MAIN MEAL 2	Vegan Quorn Sausage & Gravy (Ve)	Roasted Veg Lasagne (v)	Beany Pasta Bake (Ve)	Baked Bean Slice (Ve)	Margherita Pizza (v)
SIDE DISH	Spaghetti or Potato Wedges	Diced Potatoes or Herby Garlic Bread	Roast Potatoes or Wholemeal Pasta	Diced Potatoes or Pasta	Chips or Tricolour Pasta
JACKET POTATO VARIOUS	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v)	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo	Grated Cheese (v), Baked Beans (Ve), Cheese & Beans (v), Tuna Mayo
NO EGG MAYO COLD FIXED	Tuna Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)	Ham Baguette	Chicken Mayo Baguette	Cheese Baguette (v)
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit Wedges (Ve)	Carrot Cake (v)	Fresh Fruit Jelly (Ve)	Apple Charlotte Pudding & Custard (v)	Chocolate Raisin Cookie (Ve)

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A variety of fruit, vegetables and salads are served daily.

V = Vegetarian Ve = Vegan

WHITEHEATH INFANT & NURSERY

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

It's coming .... Friday 4th Dec

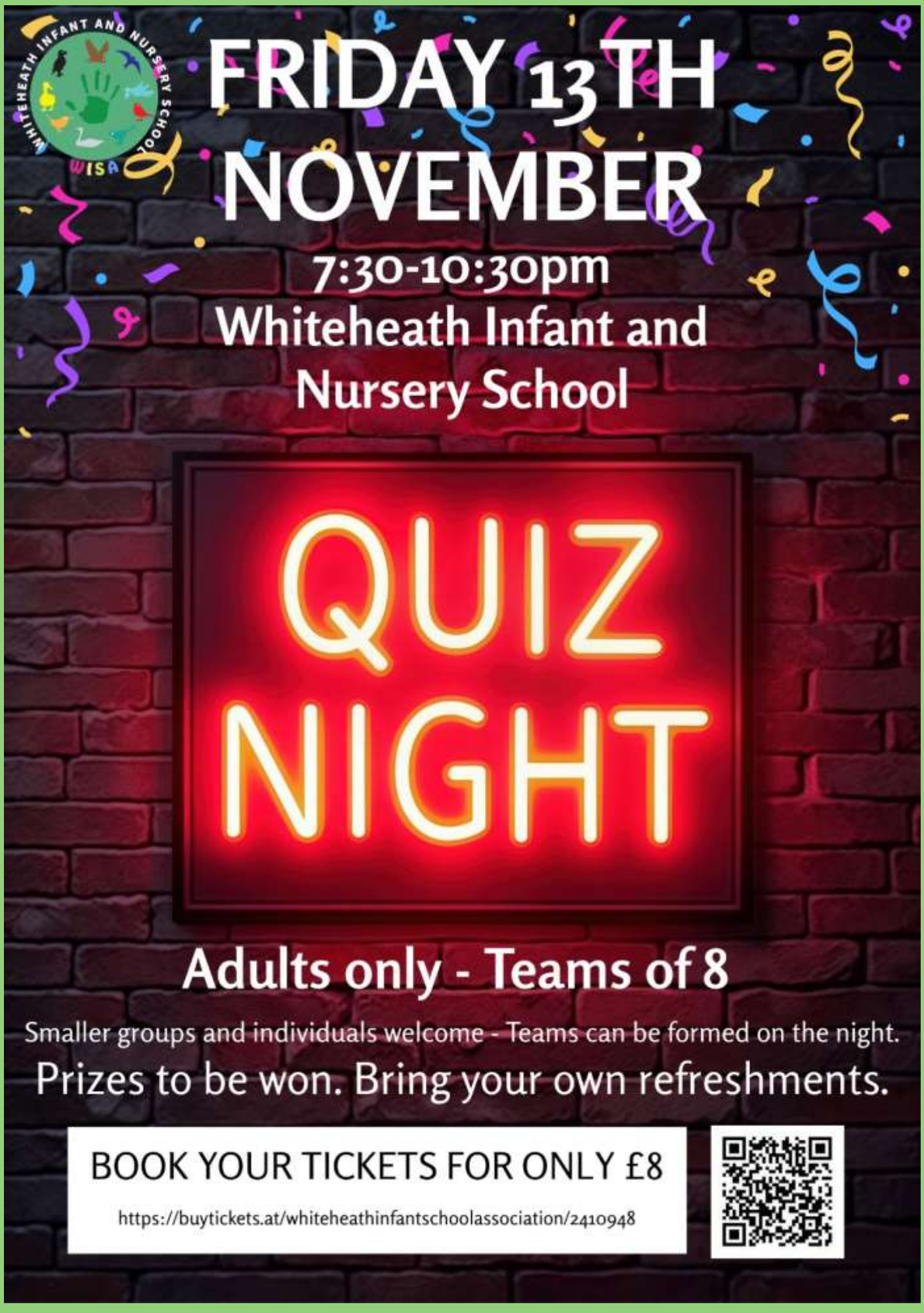
WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING PLEASE -

SOFT TOYS - WASHED IN GOOD CONDITION
TOYS & GAMES - ALL PIECES INCLUDED

WRAPPED SWEETS - LIKE STARBURST, LOLLIES, SMALL HARIBO PACKETS, SWEET CONE SWEETS & CANDY CANES
OTHER SWEET TREATS - SMALL WHITE MARSHMALLOWS, MALTESERS & SMARTIES

TOMBOLA PRIZES - NEW GIFTS BOTH CHILDREN & ADULTS LIKE TOILETRIES, CHOCOLATES & BOTTLES OF ALCOHOL

PLEASE BRING ALL DONATIONS TO THE TABLE OUTSIDE OF RECEPTION OR IN THE LABELED BOXES IN THE OUTDOOR CLASSROOM
THANK YOU


WHITEHEATH INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL
WISA
FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER
7:30-10:30pm
Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School
QUIZ NIGHT
Adults only - Teams of 8
Smaller groups and individuals welcome - Teams can be formed on the night.
Prizes to be won. Bring your own refreshments.
BOOK YOUR TICKETS FOR ONLY £8
https://buytickets.at/whiteheathinfantschoolassociation/2410948



Year 2



It was a pleasure meeting so many of you at our Parent Consultation meetings this week to discuss your child's progress. Well done to all the children for completing their first half term in Year 2! They have settled incredibly well and completed a fantastic amount of work. We hope you enjoyed seeing some of their achievements during your meetings.

After Half Term

Geography – Pommes Passport
We will begin our new Dimensions topic, Pommes Passport, by investigating clues about Pomme's home country and predicting where Pomme might be from. We will recap the seven continents, explore the world's oceans and compare Ruislip with Australia.

English – Performance Poetry
We will explore famous poems before writing our own poetry inspired by Bonfire Night. The children will experiment with onomatopoeic words to recreate the exciting sounds of fireworks and bring their poems to life!

Maths – Addition and Subtraction
We will continue developing our addition and subtraction skills, focusing on making ten. For example, we will explore how (8 + 6) can be rearranged as (10 + 4) to make calculations easier. Ten frames and counters will help the children to understand this tricky concept practically.

RE – Diwali
Our first RE lesson back will focus on Diwali, the festival of light. If any families have artefacts or special items from home that they would be happy to share, we would be very grateful. These would help bring our learning to life and develop our understanding of different beliefs and traditions.

Reading and Homework
Reading books will not be sent home over half term as we complete a whole-school stock check. Please continue reading together, listening to your child read and practising the tricky words and common exception words shared at Parent Consultations.

Spellings can be found in your child's homework folder and will be tested on the Friday of the first week back.

Forest School – Important Information
Next half term, instead of our usual two PE sessions, the children will have one PE session and one Forest School session each week. Forest School will take place on Wednesdays.
Children should come to school in their usual full uniform and bring extra clothing to keep warm outdoors. Please provide:

- A warm jumper and coat
- An extra pair of socks
- Leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Wellies, a hat, scarf and gloves

We have waterproof dungarees in school for the children to wear, but an extra layer underneath will help keep them warm. Any colour of leggings or tracksuit bottoms is absolutely fine!

We will be heading outdoors whatever the weather, so please ensure your child is suitably dressed for outdoor exploration. We are looking forward to discovering nature, working together and enjoying practical learning in our Forest School sessions.

We wish all the children a wonderful half term break and look forward to hearing about their adventures. Thank you for all your support this half term.

Warm wishes,
The Year 2 Team



Year 1



It has been a very busy term, and we are so proud of how well the children have settled into Year 1. They have made so much progress since the start of the year, and we are excited for all the wonderful learning opportunities that lie ahead!

After half term, in **Maths**, we will continue our topic on addition and subtraction. We will begin the week by recapping addition fact families before moving on to exploring number bonds to 10 and learning how to find and represent them systematically.

In **English**, we will be looking at poetry, listening to a range of firework poems and learning some short poems ourselves. We will be looking at how certain words are used to special effect, such as the use of alliteration and onomatopoeia. We will end by having a go at writing our own firework poem and making firework pictures with chalk.

We will be starting our new **topic** after half term: "One direction, four nations". The focus will be on developing the children's understanding of compass directions and using locational language to describe the position of different features.

Pupils will be learning to identify the four main compass points: North, East, South, and West, use these directions to describe where things are located in relation to one another and apply directional and locational language in simple map-reading activities. This engaging topic will help build essential geography skills in a fun and memorable way!

The children will have two PE lessons each week, focusing on developing a range of physical skills.

Lesson 1: Fundamental Movement Skills, in this session, children will work on improving their jumping and landing techniques, as well as seated balance. These core skills will be developed through targeted activities designed to build strength, coordination, and control.

Lesson 2: Gymnastics, our second session will focus on gymnastics, beginning with creating a variety of floor shapes and learning how to hold them with control. As the term progresses, children will gradually move on to working with apparatus, applying their shapes and movements in new ways. These lessons aim to build confidence, body awareness, and coordination in a supportive and engaging environment.

Notices:

The children will have double PE lessons a week next term, see below for the PE days:

Robins	Monday and Wednesday
Doves	Tuesday and Wednesday
Owls	Wednesday and Thursday

The children will not be bringing library or reading books home over the half term.

We do have a local walk coming up on the 12th of November. If you can volunteer, please do let the class teacher know.

Thank you very much for all the support this term. Half a lovely half term.

Year 1 team

Wrens



Reception

Swans



Reception Weekly Newsletter 🦕🍂

We have had a fantastic week in Reception and have thoroughly enjoyed learning about **fossils and bones**. The children loved becoming young **palaeontologists**, investigating dinosaur skeletons, exploring fossils and learning about the clues these prehistoric creatures have left behind. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm and curiosity throughout our learning.

Looking Ahead to After Half Term: Big and Small Dinosaurs! 🦕🦖

After half term, we will be continuing our dinosaur adventure with our exciting new topic, **Big and Small Dinosaurs**.
The children will be:

- Learning the names of different dinosaurs.
- Exploring the difference between **herbivores** and **carnivores**.
- Comparing big and small dinosaurs.
- Finding out which dinosaurs hatched from eggs.
- Taking part in lots of exciting dinosaur-themed activities and investigations.

We are sure the children are going to love this topic!

Phonics 📚

After half term, we will continue learning new sounds while developing our confidence in blending sounds together to read words. Please keep an eye on our weekly communications to see which new sounds we are learning so that you can practise them at home with your child.

Reading 📖

Our reading sessions will begin after half term. Children will read in school **three times each week** and will bring their reading book home at the weekend to share with you.
As books are changed on a **Monday**, it is very important that reading books are returned to school **every Monday morning** so that your child can receive their new book and continue making progress with their reading.

Maths 🔢

In maths, we will continue our number exploration and begin learning about the **composition of the number 4**. The children will investigate the different ways that 4 can be made and represented through practical activities, games and play-based learning.

PE 🤸‍♀️🤸‍♂️

We are excited to let you know that **PE lessons will begin on Tuesday mornings after half term**.
Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their **PE kit every Tuesday**. Children will remain in their PE kit for the rest of the school day, so there is no need to send a change of clothes.
We are looking forward to getting started and helping the children develop their confidence, coordination and physical skills through a range of fun activities.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.
As we reach the end of the children's very first half term in Reception, we would like to say how incredibly proud we are of them all. They have settled into school life so well, built new friendships, embraced new routines and shown such enthusiasm for learning each day.
The progress they have already made in such a short time has been fantastic. We have loved watching their confidence grow, and we cannot wait to see what they achieve after half term. We are looking forward to welcoming them back for more exciting learning, dinosaur discoveries and new adventures.
We hope you all have a restful and enjoyable half-term break and look forward to seeing everyone back refreshed and ready for another brilliant half term!
The Reception Team x



Nursery





Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of the half-term, we would like to say a huge well done to all the children for their hard work and achievements. We have had a fantastic start to the school year! The children have made lovely friendships, become confident and familiar with the Nursery team, and settled beautifully into our daily school routine.

Story of the Week: The Gingerbread Man

This week, our story of the week has been The Gingerbread Man. The children have explored the different parts of the story and learned about the ingredients needed to bake their very own gingerbread man.

Working together in small groups, the children followed instructions, talked about the different ingredients, and enjoyed mixing, rolling and cutting out their gingerbread man.

The children were then able to take their gingerbread man home to enjoy. Well done, everyone – they looked delicious!

Home Learning

What can you make using ginger or cinnamon?

Perhaps you could add some to a cake recipe, porridge or even pancakes!

We would love to see what you create, so please upload your photos and responses to ClassDojo for the children to share with their friends in class.

Half-Term Learning

During the half-term break, we would like to encourage the children to spend time:

- Sharing and enjoying books together.
- Playing games and engaging in activities that encourage interaction and conversation.
- Colouring, drawing and getting creative.
- Spending quality time with family members.

Please could you also save and collect any kitchen roll tubes? We will be using these for our Activity of the Week during our first week back.

Getting Ready for the Colder Weather

Please help your child practise putting on their own coat. Here is a short YouTube video demonstrating a simple technique: **https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-FaxBoCvNqM**

We would also appreciate your support in helping your child learn how to zip up or button their coat independently, as well as practise putting on their hat, scarf and gloves.

Please remember that all children must bring a coat to school after half-term.

We are still finding it difficult to identify some children's coats, cardigans, jumpers and water bottles. Please ensure that ALL items are clearly labelled with your child's name before they return to school.

Parent Volunteers

A few weeks ago, we sent a message via ClassDojo asking whether any parents would be willing to volunteer some time to visit Nursery and talk to the children about baking, Diwali or Remembrance Day.

If you are still able to help, please speak to a member of staff as soon as possible. We would love to provide the children with as many meaningful, real-life learning experiences as possible.

Parents' Evening

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended parents' evening this week. It has been lovely to discuss your child's progress and share how well they have settled into Nursery.

We hope you all have a lovely, relaxing and restful half-term break.

School reopens on Tuesday 3rd November 2026, at the normal time.

Best wishes,

The Nursery Team





EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Autumn Term 2026

The following clubs are currently available at Whiteheath Infant School. The clubs are provided by external providers who communicate directly with parents.

For more information, please use the contact details below.

STREET DANCE **(Monday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Year 1 and Year 2- Open to Reception from January 2026 Soul Performing Arts **www.igotsoulofficial.com** Contact: 07791 466859 Email: **info@igotsoulofficial.com**	**GYMNASTICS CLUB** **(Monday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The PSD Group **www.thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs** Contact: 0203 397 7409 Email: **info@psdgroup.org.uk**
ROCKSTEADY **(Tuesday- during school hours)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Rocksteady Music School Book online: **www.rocksteadymuscischool.com** Tel: 0330 113 0330 Email: **info@rocksteadymusicschool.com**	**THE CREATION STATION** **(Tuesday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The Creation Station Email: **lisaandrews@thecreationstation.co.uk** Tel: 07885 492952
FOOTBALL **(Wednesday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 The Elms Book online: **www.theelms.co.uk**	**BALLET** **(Please note the change of time)** **(Wednesday 8:00-8:40am)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Rose Ballet Book online: https://app.classmanager.com/portal/rose-ballet/login Contact: Admin@roseballet.co.uk
TENNIS **(Thursday 3.20pm-4.20pm)** Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Lets Go Tennis Contact: 020 3291 2984 **Email: lisa@letsgotennis@gmail.com**	**DRAMA** **(FRIDAY 3.20-4.20PM)** Year 1 and Year 2 Little Voices Contact: 07787 535506 Email: **coleen@littlevoices.org.uk** (bookings now closed – waiting list in place)



Rose Ballet



IDTA
INTERNATIONAL DANCE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Fun and structured Ballet classes in a caring and inspiring environment.
IDTA Ballet examination grades available



Ballet at Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School

Wednesday 11th November - Wednesday 16th December

8am - 8:40am

Year's Rec - Yr2

Rose Ballet provides nurturing ballet classes that build confidence, technique, discipline but are also fun! Dancing & growing among friends within the school environment.

Spaces are limited & first come first serve, please reserve by holding link or use Qr code:

https://app.classmanager.com/portal/rose-ballet/login

Contact - Admin@roseballet.co.uk







Free school meals can help with the cost of living. The scheme also ensures children have a healthy meal during the school day.

This helps them focus in class, stay well and supports their learning.

This leaflet explains the different types of free school meals, who can get them, and how to apply.



Types of free school meals

Universal Infant Free School Meals (Reception to Year 2)

- Your child gets a free school lunch if they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2.
- We would encourage families to apply for Targeted or Expanded free school meals, because your child's school will receive extra funding if you qualify for Targeted meals.

Universal Free School Meals for Key Stage 2 (Year 3 to Year 6)

- Through the Mayor of London's Universal Free School Meals programme your child currently gets a free school meal if they are in Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 or Year 6.
- We would encourage families to apply for Targeted or Expanded free school meals, because your child's school will receive extra funding if you qualify for Targeted meals.

Targeted free school meals

- Targeted free school meals are for children whose parents/carers meet the government's eligibility rules.
- Example (not a full list): you may qualify if you are on Universal Credit and your household income is under £7,400 a year (after tax and not including benefits).
- If eligible, your child gets free meals and the school will receive extra funding (pupil premium). Schools can use this money to provide extra learning support, resources and activities to help children do well at school.





Key points

- You must apply.
- Once awarded, eligibility will continue unless a review shows your family no longer meets the qualifying criteria. Eligibility will be checked annually.
- If eligible, your child gets free meals, access to the Holiday Activities and Food programme and the school will get extra funding.

Expanded free school meals

Expanded free school meals are for children whose parents/carers receive Universal Credit.

Key points

- You must apply.
- Once awarded, eligibility will continue unless a review shows your family no longer meets the qualifying criteria. Eligibility will be checked annually.
- Eligibility for Expanded Free School Meals does not attract pupil premium funding.

Auto-enrolment

- For children not previously recorded as receiving free school meals, the council will check annually if families are eligible for Targeted or Expanded free school meals.
- The council will use benefits data to compare against the School Census information.
- If your family is included, we will write to you. You can choose to opt out by following the instructions in the letter.



How to apply

You will need to apply through your child's school and provide the following information so that your eligibility can be checked:

- your National Insurance (NI) number or National Asylum Support Service (NASS) number (this can be found on your benefit entitlement letter)
- your date of birth
- your surname
- your full address
- your child's details.



For further information, please contact your child's school directly.



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TERMS AND HOLIDAYS FOR 2026-2027

Public Holidays 2027

Good Friday	Friday 26th March 2027
Easter Monday	Monday 29th March 2027
May Day Bank Holiday	Monday 3rd May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 31st May 2027

Autumn Term 2026

Closure	Wednesday 2nd September (Training Day)
Term Starts	Thursday 3rd September
Half Term	Monday 26th October – Friday 30th October
Closure	Monday 2nd November (Training Day)
Term Ends	Friday 18th December @ 12.20pm

Spring Term 2027

Closure	Monday 4th January (Training Day)
Term Starts	Tuesday 5th January
Half Term	Monday 15th February – Friday 19th February
Term Ends	Thursday 25th March @ 12.20pm

Summer Term 2027

Term Starts	Monday 12th April
Half Term	Monday 31st May – Friday 4th June
Term Ends	Tuesday 20th July @ 12.20pm
Closure	Wednesday 21st July (Training Day)
Closure	Thursday 22nd July (Training Day)

Community Events and News

Please note: Information shared on these pages is provided for the interest and convenience of our school community. The events, activities and services advertised are not organised, endorsed or affiliated with Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School, unless expressly stated otherwise.

Some organisations featured may also provide clubs or services that Whiteheath Infant and Nursery School works with separately; however, any events or information advertised here is independent of the school and should not be taken as school-organised activities.





For children & young adults with SEND (special educational needs and disabilities) to enjoy a Halloween party along with their families, while their carers can meet other carers and get information of support available

Entry £7 per Child/Young Adult
Free Entry for Parent/Carers

To book and see the guidance use the QR Code or go to: www.sendfs.co.uk/Halloween-Party/

Musical performances from Nicky Fisher Entertainment, Bouncy Castles managed by the Big Bounce Theory (additional £5 Castle Access passes available online and on the day of the event), Halloween Fun & games, Lucky Dip, arts & crafts, sensory play, SEND information from SEND Family Support and other SEND related organisation, and more...

Please note: We are all responsible for the children we arrive with on the day. For more information go to www.sendfs.co.uk/events or follow us on Facebook or you can contact us by email on events@sendfs.co.uk, or call 07752169849 or follow us on Facebook



Phone : 07752 169849
Twitter : @SENDFS
Facebook : @SENDFamilySupport
Instagram : @SENDFSi

LOOKING FOR OUTSTANDING CHILDCARE THIS HOLIDAY?



Themed around a popular musical or play, a Little Voices Theatre Week/Camp is packed from start to finish with a mix of creative activities that will help your child:

- burn off **energy**
- release **tension**
- build **confidence**
- learn new **skills**
- make new **friends**

and, most importantly, have loads of **fun!**

FIND OUT **MORE!**

Don't miss out! Limited spaces available. Book now to secure your child's spot.

Dates: Monday 26th to Thursday 29th October 2026
Venue: Pinner Wood School, Latimer Gardens, HA5 3RA
Times: 9am - 3pm

For more information and to book:
07787 535506
coleen@littlevoices.org.uk
littlevoices.org.uk/harrow-hillingdon

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(NOT JUST LITTLE VOICES PUPILS!)

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Saturday 7th November

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Display from 19.30

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+ booking fees

On the night
£12.00

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We welcome families of all shapes and sizes!

Join us for a fun-filled hour of Bible stories, crafts, songs, food and family fun!

🕐 Time: 17:30–18:30

📍 St Lawrence Church Hall, Eastcote, HA5 2SJ

🗓️ Future Dates:

17 October
14 November
23 January

No need to book – just turn up and get messy!

For more information visit:
https://www.st-lawrence-eastcote.org.uk/familycelebrationsmessychurch

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