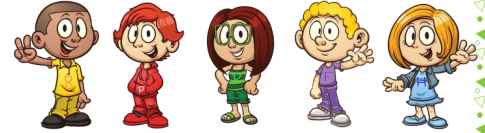




We have had another positive week at Whitmore with the children working really hard in all aspects of their learning. We have been focusing on having a growth mind-set and positive attitude. We continue this year to focus on our core values of Friendship, Perseverance, Honesty, Respect and Positivity.



It was nice to see so many of you at the meet the teacher meetings this week.

We are starting after school and lunchtime clubs on Monday, the children are very excited. Thank you for your patience and support during the organisation of the clubs as this is a very complicated process.

The year 6 children are looking forward to their residential next week. I am sure they are going to have a wonderful time. Let's hope the windy weather subsides and the sun shines.

All children have had their photographs take and looked very smart. Proofs will be handed out next week.

Have a good weekend
Mrs N Kemp
Headteacher

Dates:

September

W/C 24th—Year 6 Residential trip to Isle of Wight
25th—Police officer visiting Reception children
25th—Year 6 trip to Danbury non IOW

October

9th—Parent Consultations 3.30-6.30pm
9th—Year 5 team workshop
10th—Parent consultations 3.30-5.30pm
11th—Year 5 multisports event
15th—Year 3 trip to Weald Country park
18th—DOJO celebration
18th—Yr 5 Harvest Festival assembly 9.30am
(Parents welcome)
19th—Poetry Slam KS1 & KS2 (selected children)
19th—Last day of half term

Inset Days—3rd & 4th January, 24th May 2019



Class updates

Reception enjoyed their visit from firefighter-Steve. The children have enjoyed painting a firefighter and writing about the visit.

From Monday could Primrose and Daffodil class children please enter their classroom via the gate at the bottom of the ramp. Buttercup class please enter via the gate to the side of the ramp where Miss Coleman will be waiting. Both gates will be open at 8:50am

Year 1 are settling into their new classes very well. They are enjoying their topic, Come Fly with me and are loving the idea of writing their own story book based on Planes.

Year 3 are settling into KS2 well and are enjoying their topic of 'Night at the Museum'.

Year 6 have worked hard during their first test week and are looking forward to going to the Isle of Wight or Danbury next week.

Secondary school open evenings

- Lower Academy—04/10/18 5-7pm
- James Hornsby—29/09/18 4.30-8.30pm
- Bromfords—04/10/18 5.30-8.30pm
- Appleton—29/09/18 6pm
- Mayflower—04/10/18 6.30-9.30pm
- Billericay—27/09/18 6-9pm
- Deanes Academy—25/09/18 6.30-9pm

After school and lunchtime clubs

Letters have now been sent out for after school and lunchtime clubs. Please make sure permission slips are returned asap. All clubs start next week excluding KS2 Spanish and Netball.

Wall of Achievement

Week of 17th September 2018



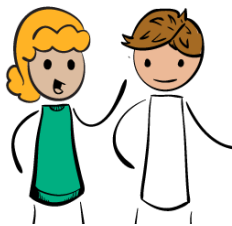
- Bluebell Class—John L
- Rose Class—Belle C
- Tulip Class—Ruby-Rose L
- Lavender Class—Ana R
- Orchid Class—Isabelle M
- Sunflower Class—Leo P
- Birch Class—Charlie P
- Hawthorne Class—Max G
- Pine Class—Isla C
- Ash Class—Kayla R
- Beech Class—Danny C
- Maple Class—Charlie W-F
- Olive Class—Alex H
- Sycamore Class—Ntando M
- Willow class—Child Absent
- Elder Class—Child Absent
- Elm Class—Billy S
- Oak Class—Malin T



Talk it topics

Talk it topics are an opportunity for children to discuss and issue or idea throughout the week, at play or lunchtime, during the daily mile etc. It encourages children's communication skills as well as debating skills and is fun. We will be covering a different topic in school each week.

Next weeks topic is— Uniforms are better because.....



Attendance and Punctuality

It is vitally important that children arrive to school on time and ready to learn. We would like to bring to your attention that children arriving after 9.20am will be marked down as an unauthorised absence which can result in a referral to Essex County Council and a possible fine. We would really appreciate your help in making sure children attend school on time and we will be contacting parents for persistent lateness.



We would ask that you also try to arrange doctors/dentist and other appointments outside of the school day as we have an increasing amount of children being collected early or throughout the day. This has a knock on effect with your child's learning and also can disrupt the class.

The winners of the Attendance this week were—KS1 Sunflower class with 97.9% and KS2 Birch class with 98.5%. The overall school attendance is 94.7%; which is moving in the right direction, thank you for your help in achieving this. Our target is 96%

We are now running a team point system across the school this weeks results are as follows—

- 1st place—Blue
- 2nd place—Red
- 3rd place—White
- 4th place—Green

