



It has been another busy week at Whitmore, especially for the Year 2 and 6's who have been preparing for their upcoming SATs tests.

Parents consultations went really well this week and I would like to thank all the parents and carers that attended, it was lovely to see so many of you supporting your children.

Year 2 will begin their SATs next week and we wish them all good luck and I am sure that they will all try their best and make us all extremely proud.

Year 1 have their trip to the Sealife centre next Friday. Thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help. The children will have a fantastic time and the trip will support their learning in class.

A reminder that if you wish to order your child's class photo via the school please return the proof card and payment by 9th May 2019.

Congratulations to Kyle, Max and Scarlett in Hawthorn class who have all received bravery awards for their work in swimming these past few weeks.



Reminder that our uniform is black jumper, trousers, shoes, skirts or green dresses. Green cardigans and hoodies are not part of our school uniform and children will be asked to remove them whilst in class.

I hope you all have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend and we will see you all back in school on Tuesday 7th May.

Mrs N Kemp
Headteacher



Dates:

April

- 6th—Bank Holiday Monday
- W/C 6th—Year 2 SATs
- 10th—Year 1 trip to Sealife Centre
- 10th—Nursery Learning Journey 11am and 2.30pm
- W/C 13th—KS2 SATs
- W/C 20th—Year 2 SATs
- 20th—Year 6 Fire Safety Talk
- 21st—Year 6 health screening
- 21st—Reception & Year 1 Disco 3-4pm
- 21st—Year 5 & 6 Disco 4.30-6pm
- 22nd—Year 2,3,4 Disco 3-4.30
- 22nd—Trust Debating Competition (selected children)



Inset Days—24th May 2019

Times Tables Rockstars


KS1 Winners - most correct answers:

1. Benas (Sunflower)
2. Julia (Lavender)
3. Joanne (Sunflower)

KS2 Winners - most correct answers:


1. Joshua (Pine)
2. Jazmine (Willow)
3. Stefan (Elder)

Completed battles:



Ash	11075		Willow	17567
Pine	18827		Elder	23374
Beech	4951		Hawthorn	8625
Elm	12917		Sunflower	1094
Willow	17567		Maple	6955
Olive	4206		Lavender	784
Birch	2601		Orchid	33
Oak	10210		Sycamore	7408

Homework book pages to be completed



- Yr1— Maths P8.
- Yr2— Practice SATs paper.
- Yr3— Comprehension P18-19.
- Yr4— Comprehension P10-11. Dogs are good for you.
- Yr5— Maths P10, lucky listener homework and spellings.
- Yr6— Set weekly via class teacher.

New battles: (ending Thursday 9th at 5pm)

- Hawthorn vs Orchid
- Maple vs Sycamore
- Pine vs Ash
- Beech vs Elm
- Willow vs Lavender
- Elder vs Olive
- Sunflower vs Birch
- Oak vs Elder

Wall of Achievement

Week of 29th April 2019



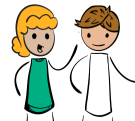
- Buttercup Class— Isabelle P
- Daffodil Class— Jack P
- Primrose Class— Jack R
- Bluebell Class— Olivia-Mae H
- Rose Class— Jayden T
- Tulip Class— Lili-Anne S
- Lavender Class— Aaron C
- Orchid Class— Grace K
- Sunflower Class— Skyla V
- Birch Class— Malachi E
- Hawthorn Class— Erin H
- Pine Class— Joshua B
- Ash Class— Lily-Mai C
- Beech Class— Lauren P
- Maple Class— Harry J
- Olive Class— Perla B
- Sycamore Class— Jack H
- Willow Class— Maddison M
- Elder Class— Dylan B
- Elm Class— Owen R
- Oak Class— William B



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. This weeks topic will be—

When you feel sad what cheers you up?.....



Reminders

Trips—unfortunately if we do not receive sufficient payments trips will be cancelled. Please ensure payments are made online or in the office.



A reminder of the school finish times—KS1 3pm and KS2 3.15pm. Please ensure you arrive on time to collect your child. Staff members have meetings and planning to complete once the children have left for the day and children not being collected on time can have an impact on this.

Attendance and Punctuality

It is vitally important that children arrive at school on time and ready to learn. We would like to bring to your attention that **children arriving after 9.05am will now 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 number 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 classes with the best attendance this week were—KS1 Rose Class with 98% and KS2 Sycamore Class with 99.1% The overall school attendance this week is 95.6%. Our attendance since September is 94.6%, we would appreciate your help in trying to raise this further to meet our target of 96%.

