

## Safeguarding

We are delighted with the response from our families about the location of the new office and the safety it brings for all our children. You may have noticed that there are now some parking spaces at the bottom of the driveway for parents and visitors to use.

In order that our children are kept safe at all times, please keep the school office informed if you have changed your telephone number or address.

If we need to contact you in an emergency, we must have your correct details.

<b>Behaviour</b>							
	We expect high standards of behaviour from all our pupils and we are working hard to ensure children are being safe, responsible and respectful learners at all times.						
	<b>523/527</b>						
	<b>children behaved safely, responsibly and respectfully last week</b> Behaviour has been very good last week with just a few minor incidents that have been resolved.						
FS1	FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
28/28	55/55	54/54	71/71	61/61	83/83	89/93	82/82

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<b>Whole School Attendance</b>					
<b>FS1</b> 95.08%	<b>FS2</b> 96.91%	<b>Week ending 15.9.17 – 94.63%</b>		<b>Y3</b> 94.26%	<b>Y4</b> 97.80%
<b>Y1</b> 91.48%	<b>Y2</b> 91.27%	<b>From September 2017 – 93.60%</b>		<b>Y5</b> 94.06%	<b>Y6</b> 95.81%
<b>2017/2018 Target – 96%</b>					
<b>Star Year Group – Year Y4</b>					

Whetley Academy's Attendance Policy clearly states we do not authorise any holidays in term time, this includes visiting relatives abroad, and a fining system is in place. Please read our policy in full on the website before considering booking holidays. If you choose to take your child out of school during term time it will have a negative impact on their learning.

### CLUBS

We are currently putting together our after school schedule for clubs and will inform parents once it is finalised.

### DIARY DATES

19<sup>th</sup> October – Star Achievers Assemblies  
 19<sup>th</sup> October – School Uniform Sale  
 19<sup>th</sup> October – School closes  
 30<sup>th</sup> October – School Opens  
 15<sup>th</sup> December – School Closes  
 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 – School Opens

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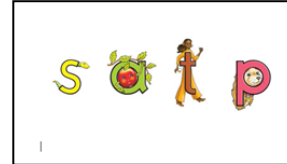
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## FS1

Last week we welcomed some new starters to our Nursery! The children have settled well into our nursery routines and have been made very welcome by our older children who showed kindness and played with the younger children. We started to read the story of Goldilocks and the three bears. We began our topic 'Ourselves'- talking about our families and drawing our families.

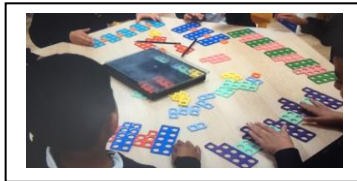
## FS2

Last week in FS2 we visited Letterland. Each day the children were very excited to see who we were going to meet. So far we have met Sammy Snake, Annie Apple, Talking Tess and Peter Puppy. We have been looking at things that start with those sounds and we began to use the letters to read simple words like 'at', 'sat' and 'pat'. See if your child can remember the character names and the sounds they make in words, maybe they can spot them in the books you are reading together at home.



## Y1

Last week in Year 1 we were looking at the Poem 'Me' by Alan Peat. We used actions to help us learn and retell the poem. We also discussed how a poem is different to a story for e.g. rhyming words. In Maths we continued looking at repeating patterns using different apparatus to create them e.g. Numicon.

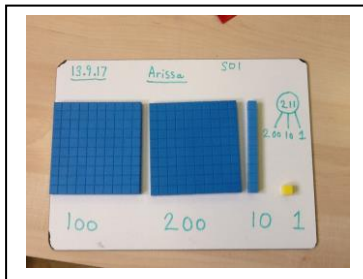


## Y2

Last week in year 2 we continued learning our story, The Leopard's Drum. We also learnt about nouns and adjectives and how we can use them in sentences. In maths we were recognising numbers in words and numerals.

## Y3

We are looking at place value in maths this half term and last week we were reading, writing, building and partitioning 3 digit numbers.



## Y4

Last week we spent a huge amount of time looking at the written methods for addition and subtraction. We built on the strategies we learnt in Year 3 and applied them to 4 digit numbers. We tackled them every morning during our arithmetic tests and then mastered them during our maths lessons!

## Y5

The Y5 children were extremely excited last week as they prepared to visit Bolton Castle, a medieval fortress, as part of our 'Legend of King Arthur' topic. Our trips will take place on Wednesday & Thursday this week, and will see the children involved in a range of historical activities within the castle.

## Y6

In Oracy last week Year 6 spoke about what the best setting for a horror story would be. They then had the chance to present them back to all of the Year 6 classes. The students continued to develop and work on their presenting skills by making sure they are talking loud enough as well as knowing exactly what they are about to say.