

SAFEGUARDING

The nights are drawing in as we head towards October. Please make sure that children are visible when walking home from school. Brightly coloured coats and bags are a good way to do this or alternatively reflective armbands or keyrings can be bought from local shops at a small cost. Take extra care in the dark.

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|  | | Behaviour | | | | | |  | |
| | | 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. | | | | | | | |
| | | 526/529 children behaved safely, responsibly and respectfully last week | | | | | | | |
|  | | Behaviour has been very good last week with just a few minor incidents that have been resolved. | | | | | |  | |
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| FS1 | FS2 | Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Y6 | | |
| 32/32 | 55/55 | 55/55 | 70/70 | 61/61 | 81/83 | 90/91 | 82/82 | | |

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| FS1 90.06% | FS2 94.11% | Whole School Attendance Week ending 22.9.17 – 96.26% From September 2017 – 93.34% 2017/2018 Target – 96% Star Year Group – Year 6 | | Y3 98.62% | Y4 98.40% |
| Y1 96.98% | Y2 95.31% | Y5 97.88% | Y6 98.75% | | |

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.

DINNER MONEY

Due to a computer system link issue all school dinner monies from the start of term have not yet been deducted from the balance shown on the dinner machines. Therefore in order that you do not have any debt please continue to pay into the dinner machines in the old office. Every paid school dinner costs £1.65. Please pay in sufficient to cover all meals. The old office is open to allow parents to access the dinner machines as follows.

Monday – Thursday 8.15am – 8.45am
 & 3.10pm – 3.30pm
 And Friday 8.15am – 8.45am

DIARY DATES

19th October – Star Achievers Assemblies

19th October – School Uniform Sale

19th October – School closes

30th October – School Opens

15th December – School Closes

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www.whetleyacademy.org.uk

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FS1

We are enjoying exploring our new Nursery environment and we are having lots of fun playing outside! Lots of children had fun riding the bikes and practising climbing and balancing outside.

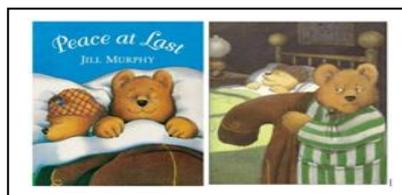
We had porridge last week...we tried Daddy bear's, Mummy bear's, and baby bear's to see which tasted best! We all took part in the beginning of Time to talk- a speaking and listening programme to develop our language skills, we enjoyed meeting Ginger bear and her family...please talk to us at home and ask us what we have done with Ginger each week!

FS2

Last week we read "Peace at Last" by Jill Murphy.

We have spent lots of time retelling the story using a story map and also in our areas of provision (like the home corner with our bear costumes).

Poor Mr Bear has a problem in our story, talk to your child at home about what happens to Mr Bear.



Y1

In Year 1, we have been learning to read and write numbers from 0-20. We used the Numicon Shapes to make all the teen numbers and then put them in order. Also, we worked very hard last week reading and writing up our own version of the ME!

Poem by Alan Peat in our books.

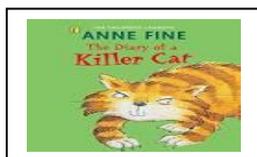


Y2

In Year 2 we have been beginning to learn how to write BOYS sentences. These are sentences using the conjunctions but, or, yet and so. We have also been learning when to use capital letters correctly. In maths we have been familiarising ourselves with the 100 square and trying to solve maths problems based around this.

Y3

In Year 3 last week we were looking at the character Tuffy from the book Diary of a Killer Cat. We have discussed his appearance and character traits and used co-ordinating conjunctions in our character profile writing.



Y4

Last week we had a good go at the reading reconsidered approach to reading comprehension. We spent time doing a contiguous read and line-by-line reading which helps us to develop a greater understanding of the texts we are reading. With this approach, combined with the work we already do on vocabulary, we are hoping to become much better readers!!

Y5

On the hunt for King Arthur: our children were lucky enough to go back in time to explore a real castle as we learned more about the history of those that lived in the middle ages. The children enjoyed wearing armour, firing a bow and arrow and hearing tales about knights and lords.



Y6

Year 6 had a fantastic time at York Dungeons last week, they were made to laugh, scream and cry all at the same time! It was a great chance to learn the history of England as well as give us some great ideas for our writing.

