



Newsletter



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Dear Parents / Carers,

For three years Mrs Ellison has written her usual column in the weekly newsletter, sharing the many successes of our school and thanking everyone who has contributed to them. However, today it is my turn to publicly thank Mrs Ellison for all the hard work, love and dedication she has given the school.

Henry Ford once said that, "Good leaders don't find faults, they find remedies", and from the very first day she set foot in the school, nothing could be more accurate to describe the way Mrs Ellison has led our school. It is no secret that with diminishing national budgets and rising needs, schools are not easy places to work currently, let alone lead. However, Mrs Ellison has taken all that the school and educational system has thrown at her and refused to find fault or ascertain blame, instead working hard to find ways to ensure that children and families get the education they deserve and so much more.

Of course, it hasn't all been plain sailing (wouldn't that have been boring!) and at times the school has been faced with challenges that would have seen others either 'pass the buck' or give up. Not Mrs Ellison. For every brick wall that has blocked the school's path of development, she has found a way to either climb over it, dig under it or literally smash through it and then provided the safety rope to ensure the rest of us followed without worry or doubt. It's incredible to think that all of this was achieved with a smile on her face and high heels on her feet.

This week's visit from Ofsted, although somewhat unexpected in the last week of the Christmas term, was the perfect opportunity for the school to demonstrate the progress it has made and the standard of education it now provides. Following a successful day will look forward to seeing the report which we expect to be published around mid January 2019

None of this would have been possible without the leadership of Mrs Ellison. With unconditional positive regard for all, she has created a school that is a genuine pleasure to be part of, where children and adults look forward to being on a daily basis and where everyone is different yet share the same ethos.

On behalf of all the staff, parents and children, I'd like to thank Mrs Ellison from the bottom of our collective hearts for everything she has done to make this school so special. Now please relax!

David Hitchins
Assistant Head



Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Children back on
Tuesday 8th January
2019

This Term's Achievements

Holly Malkeet

Malkeet is a real asset to the class. He is polite, kind and hard-working and always follows the class rules. He is a brilliant ambassador for the class. Well done Malkeet!

Olivia

Olivia's confidence has really grown this term and she is working so hard to complete all the challenges. She is a delight to teach and has a lovely smile. Well done Olivia!

Ivy Roman

Roman has had a fantastic first term in Reception. He always works hard and tries his best. He is polite and well mannered and is a role model to his peers. It is a joy to have Roman as part of Ivy Class. Keep it up Roman.

Lucas

Lucas has come such a long way this term and we are so proud of him. Over the last few weeks he has really come out of his shell and it has been lovely to watch his confidence grow. I hope this continues throughout the year. Well done Lucas.

Hazel Sophia

Sophia has settled into Hazel class so well and has made great progress with her work. We are so proud of her.

Alfie

Alfie always tries hard with all his work and this term has made a big effort to improve his writing. We are so proud of him.

Pine Mason

We are so impressed with how far Mason has come this year. He has been trying really hard in lesson and recently passed his 22 club. His behaviour inside and outside of the classroom has improved tremendously. We are all very proud of you, keep up the hard work!

Matilda

Matilda has such a super attitude towards every aspect of school life. She always tries her hardest and is making great progress this year. She is also a very kind and caring member of Pine class. Well done Matilda, we are all very impressed!

Cedar Mckenzie

Mckenzie has really grown in confidence since the start of year 2. He tries really hard and has improved everything he does!

Daro

Daro is a model member of our class. He is extremely hardworking, polite and is very kind to other children. Well done Daro!

Maple Christos

For super listening skills which mean he learns more and more every day!

Isabella

For challenging herself every day to improve her learning.

Juniper Thomas

Thomas has been a helpful, hardworking and very thoughtful member of the class. He works hard in all of his work and he always thinks of others – lending people things and always trying to cheer up others. Well done!

Beth

Beth has been really helpful in class and around school. She helps out in the dinner hall a lot and she is always offering help in class. She is beginning to become more confident too – she was great in our Christmas production. Well done!

Ash Michael

For your positive and good natured approach to every aspect of school.

Demi

For outstanding progress in your self confidence and determined approach to learning.

Oak Milan

Well done on an excellent start to Year 6! You always work so hard and put 100% effort into everything. We have been particularly impressed with your positive attitude and never giving up when faced with a challenge! Well done and keep up the fabulous efforts!

Skve

You have settled into year 6 so so well and have worked fabulously! You are a joy to have in our class; you are funny, kind and I love being your teacher! Well done on a super term!



* Jessica * Eloise * Emily *
* Evan * Alfie * George *
* Dilan * Tyler * Siddharth *



* Rishi *



Act of Kindness

* Evie * Isaac * Thomas *
* Maisie * Darcy *



Attendance - Autumn Term 2018



| 22 | 33 | 44 | 55 | 66 |
|------------------|---|------------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Mckenzie Erin | Dylan Darcy Madison | Ash Ezekiel Alessia Dylan | Vlad Mikael Shaan Ava Darsh Jasmine | Darcy Daro |
| 88 | 99 | Silver | Platinum | |
| Kai | Tyler Shani Logan Annabella Siddharth Bhavya | Prisha | Jai | |



Book of the Week

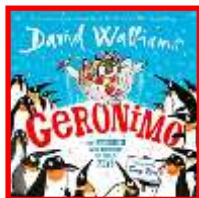


KS1 Geronimo

Meet Geronimo – the baby penguin who has one dream and one dream only – and that is to fly!

But everyone knows penguins can't fly... or can they?

With a little help from his dad and friends, baby Geronimo discovers that even the wildest of dreams *can* come true.



KS2 The Christmasaurus

The Christmasaurus is a story about a boy named William Trundle, and a dinosaur, the Christmasaurus. It's about how they meet one Christmas Eve and have a magical adventure. It's about friendship and families, sleigh bells and Santa, singing elves and flying reindeer, music and magic. It's about discovering your heart's true desire, and learning that the impossible might just be possible . . .



Early January 2019



- ◆ *Do you love cycling*
- ◆ *Do you want to help others enjoy cycling safely*
- ◆ *Do you want a National qualification!*

Why not become a National standard cycle instructor, it's an opportunity to work with adults and children, an opportunity to work as much or as little as you wish. You will be out in the fresh air, teaching life skills and being remunerated for it. Can fit in around term times/school hours. Be taught and work with a leading cycle trainer delivering for your communities in Warwickshire.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

For more information/questions either meet at The Dough & Brew café, Brook St, Warwick on Friday 4th January 2019 between 10am & 12pm or ring one of the below numbers.

For road safety courses please use the link <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/road-safety/road-safety-courses>

Tel: (01926) 412 404 or (01926) 412 776 or 0121 726 3498

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**** IMPORTANT INFORMATION ****

BREAKFAST CLUB

Due to the high demand for Breakfast Club, and the funding for our FREE Breakfast Club coming to an end in the new year, we have to make a change to our Breakfast Club arrangements early in the new year.

We will still provide Breakfast Club. However, we will have little choice but to charge a fee per day.

A further letter will be sent in January with the details for implementation after February half-term.



Many thanks for your patience on this matter.



Whitnash Methodist Church
Murcott Road East, Whitnash
CV31 2JJ

Saturday 12th January & 9th February 2019
10:30am -12:30pm



Children, primary school age & under must be accompanied by an adult

More info:
whitnash.methodist@gmail.com
In partnership with St Margaret's Church Whitnash

What's on ...

Please note that these dates are subject to change

January 2019

| | | | |
|----|---------|-----|--|
| 7 | Monday | DAY | INSET day—school closed to pupils |
| 8 | Tuesday | DAY | Pupils back to school |
| 15 | Tuesday | DAY | Closing date for Reception 2109 applications |

February 2019

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|-------|---------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| 15 | Friday | 3.15pm | Break up for half term |
| 18-22 | Week | Week | Half Term |
| 25 | Monday | DAY | INSET day—school closed to pupils |
| 26 | Tuesday | DAY | Pupils back to school |

March 2019

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|---|--------|-----|--|
| 1 | Friday | DAY | Secondary places offered to parents/carers |
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April 2019

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| 12 | Friday | 3.15pm | Break up for Easter Holidays |
| 15-26 | 2 Weeks | 2 Weeks | Easter Holidays |
| 16 | Tuesday | DAY | Reception places offered to parents/carers |
| 29 | Monday | DAY | Pupils back to school |

May 2019

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|-------|--------|--------|------------------------|
| 6 | Monday | DAY | Bank Holiday |
| 24 | Friday | 3.15pm | Break up for half term |
| 27-31 | Week | Week | Half term |



Lunch Menu 7 January 2019

Monday

Pork Sausages
(v) Farmhouse
Omelette
Jacket Potato
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Homemade
Flapjack
Cheddar Cheese,
Crackers & Apple
Wedge

Tuesday

BBQ Chicken
Fillet Wrap
(v) Vegetable
Pasta Bake
Jacket Potato
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Homemade
Toffee Apple
Sponge with
Custard
Ice Cream Tub

Wednesday

Roast Beef
(v) Vegetable Toad
in the Hole
Jacket Potato
~
Homemade Toffee
Apple Sponge with
Custard
Ice Cream Tub

Thursday

Mild Cheek
Tikka Curry
(v) Cheese &
Tomato Pizza
Jacket Potato
~
Homemade
Lemon or Orange
Drizzle Cake

Friday

Fish Fingers
(v) Chinese Style
Quorn Noodles
Jacket Potato
~
Pancakes with
Fruit Toppings

Jacket Potato: each day choose a filling from: Cheese, Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese and Beans

Everyday

Bread and chilled water are available throughout lunch. Fresh fruit platters, organic yoghurts and rice pots are available as alternative desserts.

Fresh fruits and vegetables used are subject to seasonal variation.

(MSC) Certified Sustainable Seafood

A non meat dish is available daily

Please let your school cook know if you require a vegetarian meal on a day when one isn't shown. For more information about school meals go to www.warwickshire.gov.uk/schoolmeals

