



Whitby Heath Primary School

28/6/24



Latest School News

Our **Summer Fair** takes place after school on **Wednesday 3rd July** and we have some important requests from the Friends of Whitby Heath as part of their preparations...

We are planning lots of exciting activities, raffles, tombola, stalls, BBQ, refreshments and much more!

As ever the success of the fair is down to the support of you, our amazing parents/carers! This year we have gifted money to pay for the coach trips for the children going on day trips and residential visits. We cannot do any of this for the children without your help.

There are a few ways in which you can help us. In previous years we have asked each class for a donation to use on a tombola stall, donation requests are listed below:

Reception & Year 1 - Cakes

Year 2 and Year 3 - Sweets & Chocolate

Years 4, 5 and 6 - Bottles

You or the company you work for could also donate prizes for the raffle.

If you work for a company that runs Volunteer Hours or Matched Funding schemes, that would be a huge help to our fundraising.

Haircut vouchers, manicures, family meals out, photo sessions all these things make great prizes and, in addition, are good publicity for companies.

All contributions are appreciated and together make a really big difference.

We would appreciate any help you can offer with setting up the stalls, running a stall and help clearing away after the happy crowds have gone home - you will be fed and watered and will enjoy a good atmosphere!

If you can help or have any questions about what is involved, contact us via friendsofwhitbyheath@yahoo.co.uk or check out our [Friends of Whitby Heath Facebook page](#).

Kind regards

Emma Scorer

Friends of Whitby Heath - Chair



1 - On Tuesday, as part of their topic on 'Coasts' year 3 visited Llandudno. They had fun on the beach and travelled by tram up the Great Orme. The children behaved impeccably and were an absolute credit to our school. A member of the public even commented on how well behaved and responsible they were which was lovely to hear. A big thank you to our PTA for funding the coach as well as Mrs Parker and our parent helpers for giving up their time to make this trip possible.





2 - Key Stage 1 had a fun time at Sports Day on Thursday! We all used super listening ears and magnet eyes, so we knew what we needed to do in each race. It was so lovely to see happy, smiley faces completing the races and we are so proud of everyone for showing our Whole School Values. In particular, 'never give up' and 'try your best'. Well done everyone!



3 - Year 1 had a fantastic time at the Boat Museum on Wednesday. We learned all about how boats travelled around the UK in the past, transporting goods that people need. We dressed up as people from the past too, pretending to belong to the different families that used to live there. We explored different houses, from different time periods too, identifying similarities and differences. We are incredibly proud of the children for showing respect to the helpers and using lovely manners too. Well done everyone!



4 - Year 6 engaged in a range of hands-on, fascinating Science experiments yesterday and today. Some of these included testing a range of household items, with indicators made with red cabbage, to test their PH levels, studying the properties of acids such as curdling milk as well as being able to understand how a stomach medicine works and what side effects it would have. They also experimented with air pressure and distillation. They all were fully engaged and extremely enthusiastic which was a pleasure to see. Well done Year 6!





5 - You may remember me telling you in a previous newsletter that 2 of our children, Jacob and Mia, were running in the Claire Bear run to raise money for Claire House. We shared their Just Giving web page and I am so happy to inform you that they not only competed the run but they also smashed their £750 target!

We are extremely proud of them. Well done Jacob and Mia!



6 - An important reminder that **we are closed to children on Thursday 4th July** as the school is being used as a polling station for the general election.



7 - School Disco News!

Our School Disco will be Wednesday 17th July.

This will also be a non-uniform day.

EYFS & Key Stage 1 from 1.45 - 2.55pm

Key Stage 2 from 3.15 - 4.45pm

*This is another wonderful fundraising event organised by the **Friends of Whitby Heath.***

Each ticket cost £4 per child and this should be paid through Parent Pay

A huge thank you to the Friends of Whitby Heath for organising this event - the funds raised will make a big difference to the resources we can provide our children.

Also please don't forget the date for our Summer Fair is Wednesday 3rd July!



8 - REMINDER: All items of clothing must have children's names in.

We have also noticed a few children not wearing correct school uniform recently - particularly with footwear or outdoor PE kit.

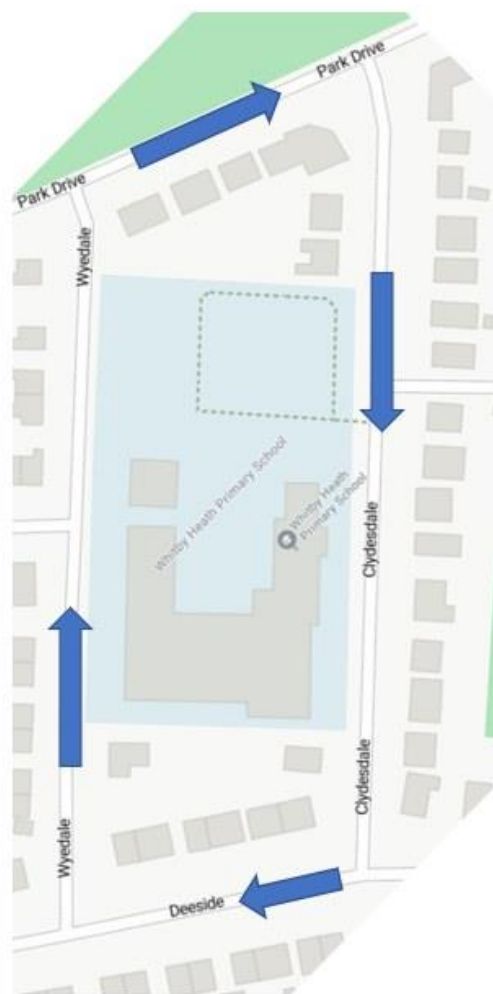
- *Please remember children should wear **black shoes with flat heel or plain black trainers** – no thin straps, heels or boots.*
- *Outdoor PE kit is a plain black hoodie/track top and black tracksuit bottoms.*

For more information, please see the uniform page on our school website: [Whitby Heath School Uniform](#)



9 - Hot Weather Reminders

Now the weather is getting warmer and the sun is finally making an appearance, just a reminder for parents to **apply sun-cream to children before school** and provide them with a named water bottle and named sun hats when needed. A reminder that staff are not able to apply suncream for children.



10 - One Way System & Considerate Parking

Please remember to stick to the unofficial one-way system we have in place during the start and end of the school day. We ask that cars enter Wyedale from Deeside, and drive down Clydesdale via Park Drive.

We also ask our parents to please be careful **not to block the driveways of any of our neighbours** when dropping children off or collecting them. In particular the driveways either side of our school field on Clydesdale have been partially blocked of late.

Finally, we ask that our neighbours are treated respectfully. Unfortunately we have had a number of complaints from neighbours who have been on the receiving end of abusive language.

Thanks for your support.



ENFORCING PARKING RESTRICTIONS

We are asking for your cooperation in making sure that children are safe when they go to school.

Cars that are parked irresponsibly by those dropping off children are causing problems for other road users, residents and pedestrians who need to get to school.

Traffic and parking issues during school times have been raised as a concern by parents, staff, residents and other children who attend the schools concerned.

We are working with schools in your area to stop irresponsible parking as we need to act now and work together to resolve this serious issue.

We are sending a leaflet to all parents/guardians to inform them that enforced parking restrictions will be put in place and that anyone who continues to park irresponsibly will receive a fixed penalty notice.

All road users need to be aware of and adhere to parking restrictions:

- No parking on bends
- No parking on zigzag lines
- Do not obstruct a resident's driveway
- Do not park on double lines
- Do not park on 'time restricted' single lines
- Do not cause an obstruction

To report an incident or if you have a suggestion for a neighbourhood priority, you can contact the policing team by telephone on **101** or by speaking directly to your local Police Community Support Officer.

CALL THE POLICE ON 101
IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999

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 Cheshire Constabulary

Stars of the Week



- **Reception** - Kie R and Odie K
- **Year 1** - Whole of 1A and Jace M
- **Year 2** - Jake M and Jude B
- **Year 3** - Peyton J and Violet B
- **Year 4** - Millie M and Jack U
- **Year 5** - Charlie T and Imogen B
- **Year 6** - Emelia and Lois F

Well done to all of you for a fantastic week!







11 - Congratulations to the winners and runners up of our recent Road Safety Posters competition!

KS1 Winner: Geordie (Ash Class)

KS1 Runner Up: Jorgie (Ash)

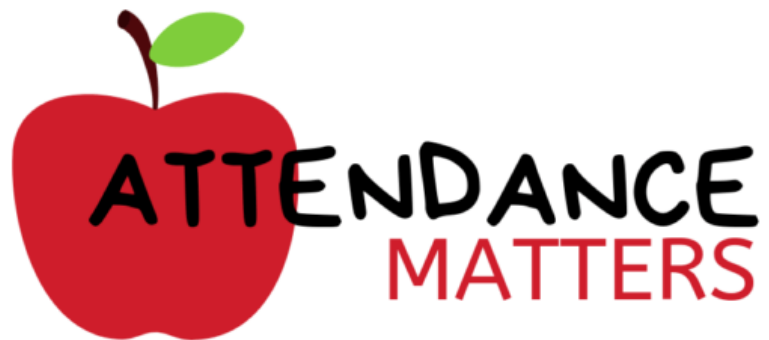
KS2 Winner: Annabel (Poplar)

KS2 Runner Up: Isabella (Poplar)

The children produced wonderful designs that encouraged drivers to drive and park safely around school, whilst also teaching children how the principles of road safety. Well oden to all who participated in the competition.



This Week's Attendance Winners



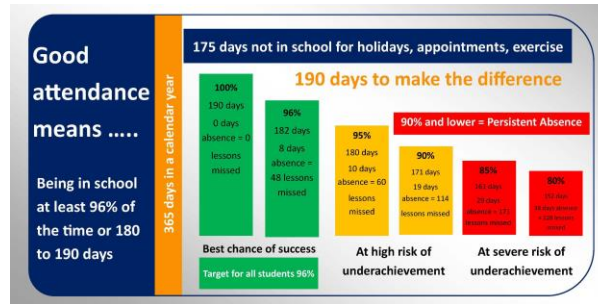
1st Cedar class 96.0%

2nd Holly class 95.9%

3rd Birch class 95.7%

Whole school attendance is 92.0%

The current national average for primary schools is 94.4%



12 - School Attendance, including Persistent Absences and Holidays during Term Time

The government has a persistence absence threshold of 10%. The absence threshold of 10% means that if a pupil is absent for 38 sessions (19 days) of school, they are classified as persistently absent. Schools are urged to inform parents of this threshold and to advise parents that fines will be made for persistent absence, unless there is evidence of a justifiable reason for such absence, for example, significant illness. Failure to make payment will result in legal action for failure to ensure regular attendance at school under Section 444 (1) Education Act 1996.

Timeline	Penalty Charges
Paid within 21 days	£60 per parent per child
After 21 days and before 28 days	£120 per parent per child
After 28 days	The parent will receive a summons to appear before the Magistrate's Court on the grounds of having failed to secure their child/ children's regular attendance

13 - Guidance concerning holidays taken in school term time is clear - holidays/absences will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances and both schools and Local Authorities are expected to ensure that such circumstances are not that holidays are cheaper during term time.

As you are aware, school is unable to grant any leave of absence during term time, unless there are exceptional circumstances. An exceptional circumstance is usually a one-off, unique situation that is of significant emotional, educational or spiritual value which outweighs the loss of teaching time. Therefore, in line with guidance, requests for holidays/absences during term time will not usually be authorised.

It is my duty to strongly urge parents or carers to avoid booking holidays, appointments or visits overseas during term-time.

In addition, it is important that I advise you that under the legislation, there is an expectation that schools will issue a Penalty Notice to those parents who take their children on an unauthorised leave of absence in term time. Please bear this guidance in mind when making bookings for any holidays.

In case you missed it...

To find out more about the topics your children are learning this term, please check out your child's class page on our website:

<https://www.whitbyheath.cheshire.sch.uk/classes>

Please can any absence notifications sent via Class Dojo be sent to **admin** rather than class teachers. Alternatively, please contact the school office via telephone or email.

A reminder of our expectations for **school uniform**. Children should come to school wearing black sensible 'school' shoes and trainers on PE days. Long hair should be tied back using discreet hair accessories (green, white or black). Very short hair and patterns cut into the hair are discouraged. More information about our uniform policy and expectations can be found here: [Uniform Information](#)

We would like to remind all families that **dogs are not allowed on school site at any time; this includes being carried or on a lead.**

Reminder that we are a **nut free school**. Please do not send your child into school with any products which contain nuts (or traces) for snack and lunch **this includes Nutella items.**

A reminder that gates will be **locked at 9am promptly**. Anyone arriving after this time will need to **enter school via the school office.**



[Holiday dates for 2023/24 can be found on our website.](#)

- Summer Fayre - Wednesday 3rd July 3pm
- **School Closed for General Election - Thurs 4th July**
- KS2 Sports Day - Friday 5th July (am)


- School transition day - Tuesday 9th July
- Bastille Day - Fri 12th July
- School Disco - Wed 17th July
- Last day of term - Wed 24th July



Ofsted registered childminder - Angie Owen:

Vacancies for before/after school care available. School holidays and Inset days also covered. Call 07771 366515 for details.

Girls ETC Trials - 8th July

 Our Chester FC Girls' Emerging Talent Centre trials for 2024/25 have been announced and registration is now open!

 The ETC provides training and games for talented female players at U10s, U12s and U14s.

Register [→ https://form.jotform.com/222064500435343](https://form.jotform.com/222064500435343)



Bird Boxes, Cup Holders, Plant Pots, Candle Holders, other bespoke items. Commissions also welcome.

Please see Facebook for details.



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AGES: 5-11y/o GIRLS

WILDCATS GIRLS FOOTBALL

The fun way for girls ages 5-11 to get involved in football, meet new friends, build confidence and get active!

 Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm (term time only)

 King George V Sports Hub, Blacon
CH1 5BD

 £3 per session
Please note advance booking is essential for these sessions

EMAIL: community@chesterfc.com
PHONE: 01244 560580 / 07308 477055







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CHESTER FC GOALKEEPING ACADEMY

Specialist group coaching sessions for young keepers of all abilities and experience levels.

🕒 Wednesdays 5pm - 6pm

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CH1 5BD

£4 per session
Please note advance booking is essential for these sessions

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GIRLS PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

Supporting young female players to reach their potential with quality coaching in a fun, development-focused environment

🕒 Fridays 5pm - 8pm

📍 King George V Sports Hub, Blacon
CH1 5BD

£5 per week
Please note advance booking is essential for these sessions

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JUNIOR PAN DISABILITY FOOTBALL

Fun, inclusive football coaching for young people aged 7-15 with a sensory, learning or physical disability.

🕒 Tuesdays 5pm - 6pm

📍 Goals Soccer Centre, Talbot Way CH1 4LT

£4 per session
Please note advance booking is essential for these sessions



SOCCER SCHOOL SUMMER 2024

📍 Goals Soccer Centre with drop off and pick up at Deva Stadium, CH1 4LT ⌚ 10am-3pm (on all delivery days) 💷 £15 per day

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LIMITED
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Join us this summer for fun coaching, small-sided games, challenges and tournaments. Children will need kit including boots, shin pads, a packed lunch, snack and water bottle. **We have limited FREE spaces available for eligible families - contact us for more details!**



SCHEDULE

WEEK 1: 29th Jul - 2nd Aug WEEK 4: 19th - 23rd Aug
WEEK 2: 5th - 9th Aug WEEK 5: 27th - 30th Aug
WEEK 3: 12th - 16th Aug

To secure your spot, contact community@chesterfc.com or call 07308 477055



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21st - 30th June 2024



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Is your child a keen gamer? Don't miss the free computer game designing workshop or the opportunity to explore Roman Chester in Minecraft.

Booking is essential and recommended for many of the events although it will naturally be drop in. Keep up to date with the programme as it grows at chesterheritagefestival.co.uk and follow us at [@chesterherfest](https://twitter.com/chesterherfest)

Whether resident or visitor, in person or online, we hope you will find something of interest as Chester Heritage Festival tells the stories that have accumulated over two millennia.

chesterheritagefestival.co.uk
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(MICKLE TRAFFORD = £62.00)
HUNTINGTON (CH3 6EA): PLAYScheme + PRESCHOOL
WHITBY HEATH (CH65 6RJ): PLAYScheme + PRESCHOOL
BISHOP WILSON (CH64 SSE): PLAYScheme + PRESCHOOL
(BISHOP WILSON STARTS MONDAY 29TH JULY)
ST PETERS (CH60 4SA): PLAYScheme + PRESCHOOL
(ST PETERS STARTS WEDNESDAY 24TH JULY)

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RECEPTION - YEAR 6

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PRESCHOOLS
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How To Book

1. Login at s4yc.lpa1bookings.com, select 'Book'. Under the Holiday Club tile, click book now.
2. Follow the booking flow - Child > School > Activity > Dates.
3. Click create booking and select payment method - If paying by childcare voucher you will need to log on to the voucher providers account and make the payment manually to S4YC. These can take up to 10 days to be verified.
4. Receive Confirmation Email - This may go into junk, please mark it as safe for future emails.



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WHEN:
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A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

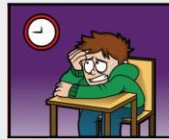
They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent's Guide on how to help keep your children safe online



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.



Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

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**WEDNESDAY
6:30 - 7:30**

**SUNDAY
10:30 - 12:00**



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BOYS & GIRLS AGED 6-16



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We're all together!





Spaces available

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The setting is open from 8am-5.30pm as a full day and we offer earlier and later times upon discussion.

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SALTY SATURDAY STEM CLUB

Lion Salt Works

Saturday Mornings: from 29 June 2024
10.30am – 12 Noon
Suitable for ages 5 – 11 years
Fully accessible
Cost: £3 per session
Booking required
Contact: virginia.kettle@cheshirewest.gov.uk

Art Exhibition
At Theatre Porto





You have been invited to the Ellesmere Port Catholic High School GCSE and A Level art exhibition. We are also showcasing a small sample of work produced by our KS3 Art Scholars. This promises to be a visual spectacle of creativity at its finest and we look forward to welcoming you.

Venue: Theatre Porto, Whitby Park, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire, CH65 6QY
Date: Saturday 29th June
Time: Open to the public 9.30-4.30pm. Evening Viewing 6-8pm.

Refreshments available throughout, the licensed café will be open and music too.

Join Our Independent Community of Support for Children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND)



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Dear Parents and Carers,
Are you navigating SEND with your child in Cheshire West & Chester?
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Partnership:
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Expert Advice:
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Here comes the summer!



Summer 2024 Family Fun Activity Offer



Please come and join us this summertime, we have lots going on, and we would love to see you all, all of our events are free to attend.

Date	Activity	Need to Book?	Where
July 5th	COG on the Move!	No	Wolverham Playing Fields
July 27th	Pop-up Cinema 5pm	No	St. Thomas & All Saints Church
July 30th	Trip – welsh Mountain Zoo/Colwyn Bay Beach	Yes	
August 2nd	COG on the Move!	No	Wolverham Playing Fields
August 15th	The Port Olympics – 11.30am-1.30pm	Yes	Whitby Park
August 27th	Trip – Crocky Trail	Yes	
August 30th	COG on the Move!	No	Wolverham Playing Fields
August 31st	Pop-up Cinema 5pm	No	St. Thomas & All Saints

Pizza and hotdogs just 50p at cinema nights.

Picnic lunch provided at the Port Olympics.

Picnic lunch and hot dinner provided on trip days.

COG on the Move! - this is our brand new event at Wolverham Playing Fields – simply turn up and join us for some sports, crafts, a chat, and a whole lot of fun!

Bookings and further information via CommunityEPortParish@hotmail.com

