

Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 6 – Autumn Term

Friday 11th October 2024



Learn, love and flourish together
Our value this term is friendship



'Encourage and help each other" - 1 Thessalonians 5

Target attendance for the Year 95%
This year's attendance is 97.7%

Dear Parents/Carers and children

Photographer in school

A huge well done to all of our children who had their photographs taken on Tuesday with Stanley Baker Studios. Afterwards the studio emailed to say that Witley was the best school the photographer had ever visited saying that the children were so polite and well behaved!

Inconsiderate parking

Sadly, we have not had our school waste bins emptied recently due to inconsiderate parking at the mouth of Church Lane. We have reported the parked vehicles to the Surrey parking Enforcement team as our main concern is that an ambulance or fire engine would not have access to the properties or the school in an emergency.

On a more positive note...JMC Roadshow Assembly at Witley

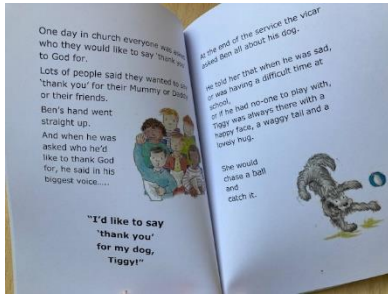


On Thursday, we welcomed musicians from The Music Works centre in Milford. Dolphins were treated to a keyboard session to introduce the Yamaha Junior Music Course, as well as offer the opportunity to attend a free trial class at our Music Works centre in Milford.



The Big Thank you!

Year 2 welcomed a very special visitor last week. Dr Anne Chant from Canterbury Christ Church University read her story *The Big Thank You* to our children. The story is all about a boy called Ben, his dog Tiggy and being thankful to God for the things that bring us happiness and joy.



At the end of the story Dr Chant presented all of the children with their very own copy of *The Big Thank You* to take home. We hope you enjoyed reading it again at home.

Water bottles and key rings

If you are replacing your child's water bottle please can we ask you to choose a simple small bottle? Children have to carry these to the hall and some children are swinging them around and this has caused a number of near misses. There is fresh water available in each classroom so we can, and do, refill them. Key rings are also getting larger and increasing in quantity! They are becoming jammed in our trays, so please restrict to one per book bag. We know they are a great way of identifying bags but some of them are enormous!

End of term celebrations

Christmas performance dates and our church service at All Saints have now been confirmed. Dates have been added in our calendar at the end of the newsletter. As last year was so successful, EYFS will again have their own Nativity dress rehearsal and performance. We welcome younger siblings but please only attend the dress rehearsal, along with our children.

Welcome

Finally, welcome to Mrs Rosie Sneddon who joins our staff team at Witley. Mrs Sneddon will be working in Dolphins Class on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Helen Szczepanski

Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Griffiths family for the very chocolatey Smartie cake.

Congratulations to Raife in Puffins who won!



Well done to the following children who are in our Gold Book this week!

Year R – Doug and Emma

Year 1 – Maddox and Harry

Year 2 – Olivia and Bertie

Headteacher's Gold Book award goes to:

Year R – Olive

Year 1 – Daniel

Year 2 – Amy



The Chandler School

The Chandler School are welcoming parents/carers of children currently in Year 2 for tours of our school, ahead of the Year 3 admissions process for September 2025. [The Chandler School Tours](#)



Safeguarding is everyone's business

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:

Helen Szczepanski – Headteacher – Lead DSL

Becky Latham – School Business Manager – Deputy DSL

Phillipa Allison – SENCo - Deputy DSL

Sarah Dutton – Home School Link Worker – Deputy DSL

JOIN FWS FOR



BINGO NIGHT

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9th
JUBILEE HALL

BAR FROM 7pm BINGO 8 til late!

£10 entry to include 2 Bingo rounds and cheeseboard. Drinks, dabbers and extra boards available to buy cash or card.

Please complete the google form by
October 25th
Prizes to be won!

SCHOOL CALENDAR

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25
Mon	21.10	Harvest Festival at 2.15 pm in the Jubilee Hall, followed by Open Classroom at 2.45 until 3.30 pm. Please enter the Jubilee Hall via the car park.
Tues	22.10	Parent Consultations – all year groups – 3.30 – 6 pm
Weds	23.10	Parent Consultations – all year groups – 3.50 – 7.20 pm
Fri	25.10	INSET Day no. 3
		AUTUMN HALF TERM 28 th October – 1 st November
Mon	04.11	First day back
Weds	06.11	Volunteer's Safeguarding Training in school 6 – 6.45 pm
Sat	09.11	FWS Bingo Night – Jubilee Hall
Mon	11.11	Anti-bullying week wear something BLUE on FRIDAY – Be Loving and Understanding to Everyone.
Fri	15.11	Come to school wearing an item that is blue – socks, hair accessory, blue top!
Fri	13.12	Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children and Christmas lunch
Mon	16.12	EYFS Christmas dress rehearsal/KS1 watching/parents with toddlers at 2.30 pm. Please enter the Jubilee Hall via the car park
Tues	17.12	EYFS Christmas performance, parents welcome at 2.30 pm. Please enter the Jubilee Hall via the car park
Weds	18.12	Christmas service at ALL Saints Church – 2.30 pm. All parents welcome, but it's a bit of a squeeze!
Thurs	19.12	KS1 Christmas dress rehearsal/EYFS watching. Parents with toddlers welcome at 9.10 am. Please enter the Jubilee Hall via the car park
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Fri	20.12	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH Children's Magic Road Safety Show during the morning – thank you FWS!
		CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 23 rd December– 3 rd January 2025
Mon	06.01	First day back after Christmas
Thurs	13.02	3.15 pm LAST DAY OF TERM
Fri	14.02	INSET Day no. 4
		FEBRUARY HALF TERM 17 th – 21 st February 2025
Mon	24.02	First day of term
Thurs	06.03	World Book Day – Extreme reading competition and WBD costume day!
Fri	04.04	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH
		EASTER HOLIDAYS
Tues	22.04	First Day of term
Mon	05.05	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – SCHOOL CLOSED
Sat	10.05	WITSTOCK 2025
Fri	23.05	INSET Day no. 5
		MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY 26 th – 30 th May 2025
Mon	02.06	First day of term
Mon	09.06	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (all week)
Tues	22.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH



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HOUSE

ACTIVITY CAMPS!

for 4-11 year olds at

St James Primary School, Elstead

Action packed days of sport, art, cooking, games and so much more! Sign up to reserve your place for one day or the whole week! Open to all primary aged children.

October Half Term 2024

Monday - Friday 8:30am to 17:30pm*

**£40.00 per day or,
£80.00 for 2 days
£90.00 for 3 days
£120.00 for 4 days
£120.00 for 5 days**

**£6/day for extended hours 8am-
6pm (£25/week)**

**Packed Lunch
£5.00/day (£20.00/week)**

**Childcare vouchers and
tax free childcare
payments accepted.**

To sign up head to: <https://wollahwollah.kidsclubhq.co.uk>

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'I really couldn't have asked for anymore and was so happy to know that he had a great time when he was there. He always looked forward to it. So a big thank you!' D.T - Grayswood Parent

