



Witley C of E Infant School



Learn, love and flourish together

class
Newsletter no. 32 Spring Term
Friday, 25th May 2023

Our value this half term is Trust



"When I am afraid, I put my trust in you." Psalm 56:2

Dear Everyone

We have a bumper newsletter this week! Lots of fun happening at Witley and we seem to be busier than ever heading into the last couple of months!

To start next term off Elstead Village Tennis Club will be working with our Year 2 class to improve their tennis skills in readiness for Wimbledon (and the strawberries will be arriving in the playground too on our Fruity Fridays).

We have already been enjoying the warmer weather outside during PE sessions. This year we have subscribed to Get Set 4 PE which has supported our staff with a full programme of physical education to improve our curriculum provision.



Get Set 4 PE

Get Set 4 PE also have a range of practical activities to keep fit with the kids this summer and it doesn't cost a penny! Check out their active families page just click on the [Active Families](#) You'll find a variety of different activities including creative games, fundamental movement and fitness skills.



During INSET days this year staff have been working with other GLP (Godalming Learning Partnership) schools on a number of curriculum subjects including PE, history and art. We are constantly updating our website with curriculum news and further information about our school. Please don't forget to have a look around our website.

Open the Book

We were thrilled that our Open the Book team joined us this week to tell the story of The Lost Sheep with the help of Year R. Our OTB team visit every two weeks and all of the children have a turn at helping retell bible stories. This week's performance was particularly popular, as Samuel S said 'I love these assemblies!' OTB will be back after half term.



Can you spot who the lost was?



Jesus reminds us in this parable that every one of us is so precious to Him! He loves us so much and He will never give up on us, no matter what! He leaves the ninety-nine sheep that are safe to go to find that one lost little sheep because that sheep is so important to Him, just like each of us!

Parent/Carer Survey and Governor News

Over the past couple of months we have spent some time working on improving the areas highlighted in our parent/carers survey that we sent out earlier in the year. Attached to this week's newsletter is a letter from our Co-chair of Governors, Sue Edwards. Sue and our Governors have responded to the survey and we will continue to review your comments and suggestions to help improve our school.



Every week I will be including pen portraits from our Governors so you can get to know them. Most of you know Sue and she has written our first pen portrait:

I chose to be a parent governor at Witley Infants because I believe in the vital role that small schools hold in communities, and in the importance of working together to look after each other. I am interested in a holistic approach to allowing both children and staff to reach their full potential, and in ensuring that happiness and wellbeing are seen as a foundation to academic and professional progress. I am currently employed in a local school, have worked in teaching and training in a wide variety of settings (in classrooms, clifftops, woodlands and waterways!), and have experience of governance as a Trustee (city farm) and Director (school Trust). Witley's learners will be playing vital roles in all our lives in a few decades time, and I am keen to help their roots grow strongly.

Finally, I'd like to wish Maddison in Year 2, the very best of luck in her new school. Maddison has been waiting for a place at her sister's school so we're thrilled that she is now joining her. Good luck next term Maddison!

Have a great half term,
Mrs Szczepanski

Statutory Phonics Screening Test

Please read the attached letter regarding the Phonics Screening in June. This letter is for Year 1 and Year 2 parents.

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

Reception: Ted and Willa
Year 1: Henry S and Bella
Year 2: Jack and Ben



Headteacher's Gold Book award goes to Maddison in Year 2.

Makaton Challenge



Happy Birthday to



Job Opportunity at Godalming Junior School

GJS are looking for an Office Assistant from September. If you are interested, please follow the link below.

<https://www.eteach.com/job/school-office-assistant-1336230?lang=en-GB&frmsrh=Y>

Cake Raffle Winner

This week's winner is: Alice in Puffins.

Thank you to the Snowden family for the lovely chocolate cake.



Coloured wool and cotton wool balls!

Do you have any brightly coloured wool you could donate for Forest School activities?

We also need cotton wool balls if you have any.

Lost Property

Please check the lost property box.

We have several items left over from our Royalty Day and there are several sweatshirts as well as unnamed water bottles.



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Enjoy the outdoors but 'be tick aware'

Ticks can transmit microbes that cause infections such as Lyme disease or tick borne encephalitis.

Being tick aware by using the following information can help to reduce the chance of tick bites and of being infected:

- you could be exposed to ticks whenever you spend time outdoors, including when in your garden or the local park
- ticks mainly attach to animals, but sometimes they may bite you, your family or your pets
- you can reduce the chance of tick bites by walking on clearly defined paths, using insect repellent and performing **regular tick checks**
- ticks can bite anywhere on the body, including in your hair. More than one tick can be attached to you at a time
- some tick bites can result in infection, so it is important to remove ticks safely and as quickly as possible
- the safest way to remove a tick is by using a pair of **fine-tipped** tweezers or a tick removal tool
- if you begin to feel unwell with flu-like symptoms, persistent headache, confusion or develop a spreading circular red rash (which usually appears within 1 to 4 weeks after being bitten), **contact your GP or NHS 111 promptly**. Mention if you were bitten by a tick or have recently spent time outdoors

Tick sizes compared
to a one penny coin



Tick in the
environment



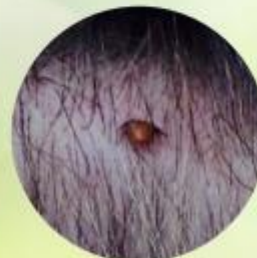
Tick attached
to skin



Lyme disease
bullseye rash



Tick found
under hair



For more information, search for the phrases 'ticks'
and 'Lyme disease' on these websites:

www.nhs.uk www.gov.uk www.nice.org.uk/guidance

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FREE SCHOOL CHAIRS!

We have a few old chairs available.

They do need a scrub, but might be good in a playhouse.

Please call in at the office if you are interested.



**ALSO
SELLING
SECOND HAND
UNIFORM**

9 June 2023

THE FRIENDS OF WITLEY SCHOOL PRESENT

**FRUITY
FRIDAY**

FWS will be selling strawberry punnets in the
playground after school for one day only

£3.00

per punnet or buy two for £5

get 'em before they're gone!

SUMMER TERM 2023

***Friday 26th May – INSET DAY 5 – SCHOOL CLOSED**

Half term – Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June

Week beginning 12th June – Year 1 Phonics Screening Test

Wednesday 21st June – Year 1 to Brooklands Museum



**BROOKLANDS
MUSEUM**

Tuesday 27th June – Year R trip to Tuesley Strawberry Farm

Tuesday 27th June – Year 2 Transition afternoon at The Chandler School

Wednesday 28th June - Class group photos/siblings – am

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Thursday 29th June – Year 2 trip to Sayers Croft – all day. There is no charge for this trip, (courtesy of FWS)

Monday 10th July – Open Classroom event – 2.45 – 3.30 pm –parents invited



Tuesday 11th July – Sports Morning from 9.00 am – 10.15 am Parents welcome. Pupils to arrive in PE kit/sunhats/water bottle and sunscreen applied at home. **NO BOOK BAGS** needed today!



Monday 17th July – Year 2 Leaver's Service at All Saints Church 2.20 pm for a 2.30 pm start. Year 2 parents invited.

Tuesday 18th July – **Reserve** Sports Morning 9.00 am – 10.15 am Parents welcome

End of term – Friday 21st July - **EARLY FINISH 1.30 pm**

TERM DATES 2023/24

Autumn Term 2023

INSET No. 1 – Friday 1st September

School starts for Year 1 and Year 2 on Monday 4th September at 8.45 am

Thursday 14th September – Flu vaccines (details to follow)

Autumn half term – 23 October to 27 October 2023

INSET No. 2 – Monday, 30th October

Last day of term - 15 December 2023 – early finish 1.05 pm. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH.

Spring Term 2024

School starts – Tuesday, 2nd January 2024

INSET DAY No.3 – Friday, 9th February

February half term - 12 February to 16 February

Last day of term – Thursday 28th March – early finish 1.05 pm. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH.

Summer Term 2024

INSET DAY No. 4 - Monday 15th April

School starts – Tuesday, 16th April

INSET DAY No.5 - Friday, 24th May

Summer half term - 27 May to 31 May 2024

Last day of term – Tuesday, 23rd July – early finish 1.05 pm. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH.

Summer is on its way!

Please ensure your child brings a sun hat into school every day and that sunscreen is applied before school. Sunscreen should only be brought into school by prior agreement.



Here is some useful advice on staying well and healthy in summer.

<https://www.healthysurrey.org.uk/seasonal-advice/summer>



It's not easy being wheezy



Does your child have asthma?

Have they been given an inhaler?

Do you want to know more?

Join our online asthma webinar to learn more about your child's asthma
First Thursday of every month at 19:30 on Microsoft Teams



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- All staff are qualified, and first aid trained.
- Monday to Friday 9am – 3pm term time
- Woodland discovery & adventure
- Early start available
- Excellent resources

OPEN DAY
SAT 10 JUNE 10AM - 12PM



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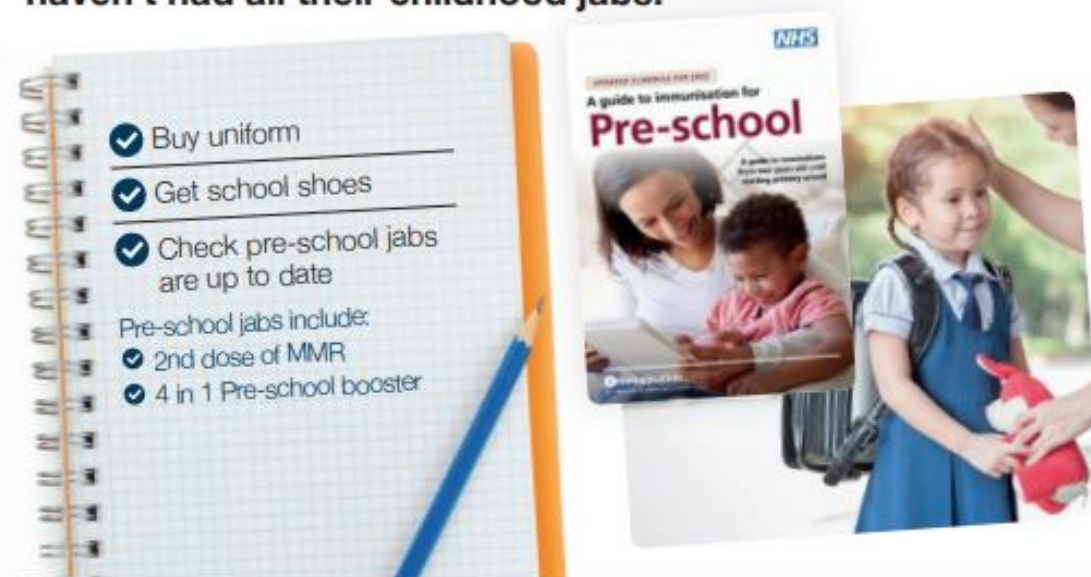


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Starting a new school?

Your child will be learning and playing with more children when they start their new school and could be at risk of catching preventable diseases if they haven't had all their childhood jabs.



If you are not sure if your child has had all their routine vaccinations, check their personal health record (Red Book) or contact the GP surgery. To get the best protection for your child, they need to have had two doses of MMR vaccine. For a checklist of the vaccines and the ages at which they should ideally be given visit:

www.nhs.uk/vaccinations

MMR for all leaflet



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Preschool immunisations



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Milford Village Fete Saturday 10th June 2023



Starts at 1pm on the Jubilee Field



Live Music from New Judgement
Milford School
BBQ



Tea Tent
Beer Tent
Ice Cream Van
Bouncy Castle
Children's Races



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