



# Witley C of E Infant School

Learn, love and flourish together

Attendance  
for the Year  
95.7 %

Newsletter no. 29 - Summer Term  
Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024

Our value this term is trust



Dear Parents and Carers

Last week I met with our School Council members:

Fiona and Isla Hi in Year 1  
Maki and Oscar in Year 2  
Addison and Zach in Year R



We talked about what it's like to be a child living in other parts of the world and in assembly this week we introduced our new Dolphin School Council members, Addison and Zach.

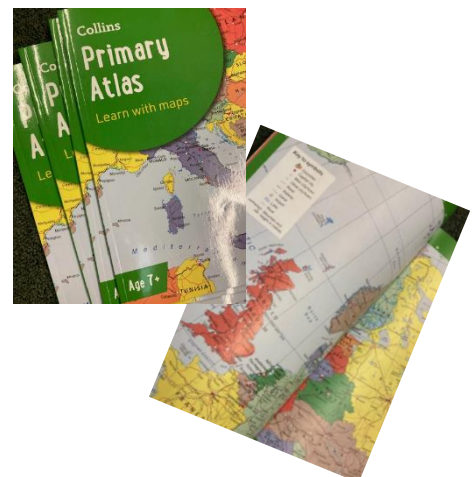


The school council have chosen to learn more about the Child of Hope Charity in Uganda to help them gain a better understanding of life in another country. Child of Hope will be our chosen charity and the children will be working together to help our friends in another continent.

<https://www.childofhopeuganda.org/>

## Break the Rules Day!

Thank you to all who participated in the FWS 'Break the Rules' day which raised £165.50. Money raised through our events helps us buy extra resources and this week these amazing atlases arrived for Year 1 and Year 2 to support our learning in Geography.



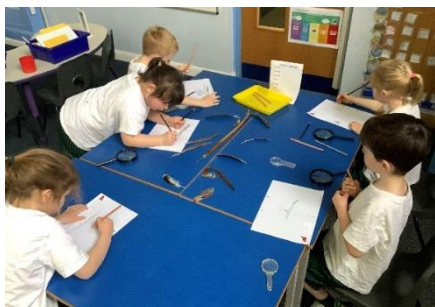
## Robin builds a nest!

Our resident robins have made a nest in the wall mounted doll's house in our school grounds. The eggs have hatched and Mr and Mrs Robin are busy feeding them. We think there are four but we are keeping our distance so we don't disturb them!



## Year 1 Art

Coincidentally Year 1 were using magnifying glasses to look closely at natural bird feathers this week. Pupils sketched the feathers as part of their art and DT learning in preparation for their bird sculptures ideas.



## Caterpillars in Dolphins



Our caterpillars arrived a couple of weeks ago (thank you FWS) and they are certainly growing. Our children are checking them daily and can't believe how big they are getting.

We'll send some more photos as the weeks go on.

## The Chandler School second hand uniform sale

Pippa Wilson will be running a Chandler uniform sale after school on Thursday 9th May in our Witley playground (library if raining!).

Finally, don't forget it's Bank Holiday weekend and we'll see you all on Tuesday!

Have a wonderful weekend  
Mrs Helen Szczepanski



## School Census Day at Witley Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

School Census Day is a very important day for all schools.

It's the day when we inform the DfE how many children we have in school on that particular day and lots of other fascinating statistics!

To celebrate Twelve 15 (our caterers) are linking the school lunch with world bee day with a honey theme!



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

Year R: Zoe and Tillie  
Year 1: Felix and Poppy  
Year 2: Vinny and Harvey

Mrs Szczepanski's Headteacher Award in our Celebration Assembly goes to:

Year R: Eben  
Year 1: Oran  
Year 2: Oskar

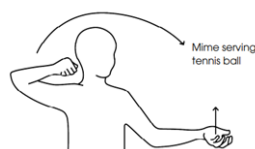


### Cake Raffle

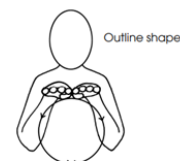
Our cake raffle takes place in our Celebration Assembly.

Thank you to the Dooley family for providing this week's cake.

Well done to Lottie in Puffins who won!



tennis



ball



## News from Friends of Witley School

This term is busy for FWS so we wanted to give you some save the dates for upcoming FWS events as well as booking links and some volunteer requests. All the information below will also come to you via the WhatsApp class groups. Please do volunteer if you can, it makes such a huge difference and we're very grateful.

Jo, Tiff, Sam, Hannah, Emily & Katy

### May 11th 12-4pm – WITSTOCK

Witley School always run a sweet stall at WitStock which will be staffed by Mrs Szczepanski and other teachers. Please look out for a striped paper bag in book bags at the end of this week which we ask that you fill with sweets of your choosing please and return to the office on Friday May 10th. These will then be sold on the stall. Thanks so much in advance for your donations.



### May 23rd 3.30pm - COLOUR RUN



Please see below and attached for info and booking link.

Please note we ask for your forms back **THIS FRIDAY MAY 3RD.**

<https://forms.gle/nngnvJDPKs9c4fj59>



### Sunday June 9th 10am-2pm - TUESLEY FARM OPEN DAY

Tuesley are running a family open day on June 9th including food, drinks and pick your own strawberries. They expect around 3000 people across the day and have offered us a stall. We will be running a cake stall and it's a great opportunity to raise money for the school. Please can we ask for cake donations in airtight containers or packaging dropped to school on either Friday 7th June by pick up or Saturday 8th June at 10am where we will collect them from you at the school gate. Please include a list of ingredients. We also need a few volunteers for the day to run the stall please. 1hr each. Please let FWS know if you can bake or volunteer on the stall.

### Saturday July 6th 2pm-5pm - SAVE THE DATE - CLUB TROPICANA SOCIAL

80s music, cocktails, optional 80s dress code, food, lots of activities to keep the kids busy so you can all chill and have a drink! It was a great day when we ran it back in 2022 so do save the date!

## TERM DATES 2023/24

DAY	DATE	SUMMER TERM 2024
Mon	06.05	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
Mon	07.05	Witley School will be participating in the optional <b>Key Stage 1 Tests for Year 2</b> pupils this academic year. This will take place in the month of May.
Sat	11.05	WITSTOCK at The Chichester Hall and the fun starts at noon
Sun	19.05	Witley School v Hambledon cricket match at Hambledon – 2 pm
Thurs	23.05	FWS – Colour Run in the afternoon
Fri	24.05	INSET DAY No. 5 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
		<b>MAY HALF TERM 27.05 to 31.05</b>
Sun	09.06	TUESLEY FARM OPEN DAY 10 – 2 pm
Mon	10.06	Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 – all week
Fri	13.06	FWS – Danceathon all day
Weds	19.06	Year 1 Team Building Games at Rodborough School - am
Th	20.06	Whole Class group photographs
Fri	21.06	Open Classroom - parents/carers welcome 2.45 – 3.30 pm
Weds	26.06	Year 2 Team Building Games at Rodborough School - am
Thurs	27.06	Witley Sports morning 9 – 10.15 am PARENTS WELCOME
Wed	03.07	Year 1 Trip to Chichester Harbour
Thurs	04.07	BACKUP Sports Morning (see 27.06)
Sat	06.07	FWS – Summer event Club Tropicana
Tues	09.07	Year R Trip to Tuesley Farm
Tues	09.07	Year 2 Trip to Alice Holt Forest – Woodland Wellbeing (there is no charge for this trip)
Weds	17.07	Year 1 Trip to Alice Holt Forest – Woodland Wellbeing (there is no charge for this trip)

Th	18.07	Year 2 Trip to Sayers Croft
Th	18.07	Year R Trip to Alice Holt Forest – Woodland Wellbeing (there is no charge for this trip)
Tues	23.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH.
<b>DAY</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25</b>
Mon	02.09	INSET DAY no. 1
Tues	03.09	INSET DAY no. 2
Weds	04.09	Welcome back to Year 1 and Year 2 Year R (EYFS) start dates and home visits to be confirmed
Fri	25.10	INSET Day no. 3
		<b>AUTUMN HALF TERM</b> 28 <sup>th</sup> October – 1 <sup>st</sup> November
Mon	04.11	First day back
Fri	20.12	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH
		<b>CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> December– 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2025
Mon	06.01	First day back
Thurs	13.02	3.15 pm LAST DAY OF TERM
Fri	14.02	INSET Day no. 4
		<b>FEBRUARY HALF TERM</b> 17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> February 2025
Mon	24.02	First day of term
Fri	04.04	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH
		<b>EASTER HOLIDAYS</b>
Tues	22.04	First Day of term
Fri	23.05	INSET Day no. 5
		<b>MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY</b> 26 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025

Mon	02.06	First day of term
Tues	22.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH

[www.witley.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.witley.surrey.sch.uk)

**CRICKET MATCH**  
 SUNDAY MAY 19TH 2PM  
 HAMBLEDON CRICKET GREEN  
**WITLEY SCHOOL V HAMBLEDON**

FWS INVITE YOU TO COME AND SUPPORT OUR WITLEY SCHOOL DADS AS THEY BRAVELY TRY TO RECALL HOW TO PLAY CRICKET AND START AN ANNUAL WINNING STREAK! WE HOPE IT WILL BECOME A LOVELY YEARLY FAMILY EVENT  
 BAR & BBQ  
 FREE FACE PAINTING FOR THE KIDS  
 JUNIOR CRICKET & GAMES

**THE EUROS**  
*Camps*

FOR BOYS AND GIRLS IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 5  
 MAY 28-30 (TUES-THURS)  
 9AM-3.30PM  
 (EARLY DROP-OFF/LATE PICK-UPS AND HALF-DAYS AVAILABLE)

**Pitch Pals**

WITLEY 10% DISCOUNT CODE- JZC921



# HALF TERM EVENTS

## AT HASLEMERE MUSEUM



### Family Events

Thursday 30 May, 10.30am-1pm

#### Get Creative

A chance to be creative this National Creativity Day. Come along and let your creativity flow! Try out different media, including paint, charcoal, pen and ink, collage.



Friday 31 May, 2-4pm

#### Family Skittles

Try your hand at our indoor skittle alley and try to win a prize. We will also have bar skittles, bagatelle and shove ha'penny. Book as a team or make new friends as we make up teams on the day.



### Museum Explorers 5-11

(accompanying adult is optional)

Tuesday 28 May, 10.30am-12pm

#### Pond Dipping

Join us to investigate what lives below the surface of the Museum's beautiful pond and then see them up close using the digital microscope.

Saturday 1 June, 10.30am-12pm

#### Traditional Games

Have a go with our bagatelle and shove ha'penny boards and then make your own simple versions to take home.

### Plus - for the grown-ups!

Friday 31 May, 7 for 7.30pm

#### Fundraising Skittles Evening

Make up a team of 6 for the 'serious' skittles game and try your hand at bar skittles, bagatelle and shove ha'penny too. With bar for beer, wine & snacks. Either book as a team or meet new friends as we make up teams on the night.

**Book all events at [haslemere-museum.co.uk/whatson](http://haslemere-museum.co.uk/whatson)**