Newsletter no. 4 – Autumn Term Friday 27th September 2024

Witley C of E Infant School



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 98.3%

Dear Parents/Carers and children

What a surprise when I opened the latest edition of Milford and Witley Parish Council Magazine to find an article about Rupert's mission to keep Witley clean.

Rupert and his friends' posters are dotted around the village and I know that other local areas have asked for copies so they can do the same.

You can read the magazine using the link below:

Witley and Milford Parish Council Update

Smart Watches





Please can we remind parents that electronic devices, cameras and smart watches are not allowed in school as per our school Acceptable Use Agreement for Pupils. Pupils are allowed to wear analogue watches. Please support the school with this rule. Thank you.

Are you a school volunteer?

Over the next few months we will be scheduling some safeguarding workshops in school for those of you who volunteer. Our first workshop is on **Wednesday**, 6th **November starting at 6 pm and finishing at 6.45 pm**. Please contact the office to book yourself on our workshop.



Please note that **ALL** volunteers are required to attend our safeguarding workshop every 2 years so we can ensure our helpers have all the information and skills they need to keep our children safe. For further information about safeguarding at Witley C of E Infant School please check out our website <u>Safeguarding at Witley</u>

Spring bulb planting



As part of our science curriculum pupils learn about plants and last week Year 1 planted 100 bulbs in various containers in their outdoor area. We'll just have to wait and see what appears in the spring!

Communications

When emailing class teachers please allow them time to reply and remember that teachers don't access emails until the end of the school day as they teach from 8.45 to 3.15 pm! If anything is urgent then please email the office who monitor emails continually. Thank you.

Harvest Festival and Open Classroom



Children starting school in September 2025

We have several tours scheduled over the next few weeks. Please contact the office for further details.

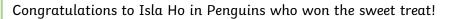
Monday, 21st October 2024 Harvest Festival at 2.15 pm in the Jubilee Hall, followed by Open Classroom from

2.45 until 3.30 pm

Autumn Term Tours		
Thurs, 3rd Oct	9.05 - 9.45 am & 10 - 10.35 am	
Fri, 11th Oct	9.05 - 9.45 am & 10 - 10.35 am	
Mon, 14th Oct	9.05 - 9.45 am & 10 - 10.35 am	
Tues, 22nd Oct	9.05 - 9.45 am	
Weds, 23rd Oct	9.05 - 9.45 am	

Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Snowden family for such a delicious strawberry sponge.





Finally, we try our best to include as many children as we can in our newsletters as we read them in class every Friday and it's a real boost for self-esteem. Please don't forget that your child's photo will not appear in a newsletter if you have not given permission for photographs to be used in school publications/website.

Have a great weekend

Mrs Helen Szczepanski

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

Year R – Nancy and Delilah Year 1 – Lola and Dylan Year 2 – Max, Katie and Oran Headteacher's Gold Book award goes to: Year R – Nancy Year 1 – Rex Year 2 – Indy

Haslemere Museum

This half term, families can experience the culture of South India with a magical Kathakali dance and drama show, with spectacular costumes and make-up. Kathakali performance at Haslemere Educational Museum Monday 28th October 4-6pm. More information and tickets at

haslemeremuseum.co.uk/whatson

Haslemere Educational Museum has lots more events for families and children in its new autumn What's On programme, including half term sessions, Halloween fun and the annual fireworks and bonfire evening. You can see the full programme by clicking on the link below.

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Enjoy the outdoors but be 'tick aware' this autumn

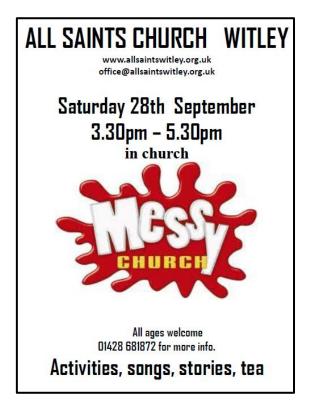
As the autumn weather arrives, it's important for our health and well-being to get outdoors, enjoy nature and the fresh air. In grassy or wooded areas, including your local park or garden, there may be ticks. Ticks are found throughout the year, mostly between spring and summer. However, they also can show up in the autumn season. Some helpful advice can be found here on the Surrey Education Service website.











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	SCHOOL CALENDAR		
DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25	
Tues	08.10	Individual photographs (formal) - pre-school children welcome (details to follow)	
Thurs	10.10	Flu vaccinations for pupils – details will be emailed separately	
Fri	11.10	Harvest Service at All Saints (PUPILS ONLY/PARENTS ASSEMBLY on MONDAY 21st October)	
Mon	21.10	Harvest Festival at 2.15 pm in the Jubilee Hall, followed by Open Classroom at 2.45 until 3.30 pm	
Tues	22.10	Parent Consultations – all year groups – 3.30 – 6 pm (details to follow)	
Weds	23.10	Parent Consultations – all year groups – 3.50 – 7.20 pm (details to follow)	
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	
		Christmas entertainer – Magic Road Safety Show	
Fri	20.12	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH	
		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	

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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

