

Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 8 – Autumn Term

Thursday, 24th 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 97.2%

Dear Parents/Carers

On Monday, we held our Harvest Celebrations in school and it was great to see so many of you. Thank you for your food donations which we will deliver to local foodbanks.



School Website

We are currently updating our website in response to parent feedback. One of the most notable changes is the calendar. Why not take a look? Google Calendar will no longer be updated and we aim to add more information on the website school calendar, which is easier to navigate. Please bear with us while we add the daily events throughout the year. Calendar dates at the end of the newsletter will gradually be phased out next term and the website will be your main calendar for events.

www.witley.surrey.sch.uk

INSET DAY – Friday, 25th October

Please don't forget that school is closed tomorrow for our third INSET Day. All staff including teaching assistants are involved in professional development during the day. In the morning Mrs Allison, our SENCo, and our TAs are at Busbridge Junior School for a GLP (Godalming Learning Partnership) workshop. Mrs Allison has organised this to support our staff to improve outcomes for all of our children. The first workshop is about autism and PDA (pathological demand avoidance) presented by Freemantles and the second workshop is all about dyslexia presented by the Helen Arkell Charity.

Teachers are meeting with other local subject leads in the GLP during the morning to share good practise in a number of foundation subjects in the curriculum. This year our focus subjects are science, design and technology, RE and music.

After lunch all staff are meeting together back at school to discuss the morning workshops and identify key areas we can work on in school to help our pupils access learning.

Have a great half term

Mrs Helen Szczepanski

Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Higgins family for the fabulous pumpkin cake!

Congratulations to the Gilbey family who won!



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

Year R – Bea and Annabelle

Year 1 – Zach and Olivia

Year 2 – Astrid and Bear

Headteacher's Gold Book award goes to every class for their spectacular performance at our Harvest Festival



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!



THE HEN HOUSE!

NEW Crafty Fridays! at Witley Infant School

Friday 3.15pm-4.15pm - £10.00
 Extended session - crafty top up 4.15-6pm £12
 Regular full 3.15pm - 6pm session (including crafty club) £17 +£3.50 for dinner

So popular we have added a duplicate of our Thursday club!
 Starts after October half term.
 Contract bookings only - allowing us to create larger crafts and making sure your space is reserved.

Registration and booking essential.
 We accept childcare vouchers, tax free childcare payments and the regular methods of payment.
<https://wollahwollah.kidsclubhq.co.uk>
childcare@thehen-house.com

ALL SAINTS WITLEY

GIFT DAY

Sunday 3rd November

- Serving Witley for nearly 1000 years
- It costs £2250 each week to keep going
- All our money is donated from individuals or small local groups

WE NEED YOUR DONATION

- Rev Ann will be *OUTSIDE CHURCH* from 11am - dark, to greet you and receive your gift.
- Soup & rolls from 12.30 - 2.00pm
- Hot drinks and cake all day



SCHOOL CALENDAR

DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25
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	DISCO – FWS Come ready dressed for the disco (sensible shoes please!) including 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
Thurs	19.12	KS1 Christmas performance. Parents welcome at 2.30 pm. Please enter the Jubilee Hall via the car park
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

Haslemere Museum

There are quite a few events on over half term to keep the kids occupied at Haslemere Museum.

<https://www.haslemeremuseum.co.uk/whatson/>

MILFORD & WITLEY FIREWORKS DISPLAY 2024



Poster design by Harrison G 3W

The Milford & Witley Fireworks will once again light up the sky over The Chandler playing fields on **Thursday 7th November 2024**

6.00pm - Gates Open - where possible please walk to ease traffic congestion

6.30pm - Low Bang Display - with a focus on colour and visual spectacle

7.00pm - Traditional Display with bangs oooooh's and ahhhh's!

BBQ & refreshments will be available

Tickets:

Available online at: www.pta-events.com/chandlerjunior

Or using the QR code



£6 / Adult (over 16)

£4 / Child (under 16 - must be accompanied by an adult)

Please - No sparklers

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