

Witley C of E Infant School

Newsletter no. 14 – Autumn Term Friday, 13th December 2024

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



May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing Roman 15:13

Target attendance for the Year 95% This year's attendance is 95.2%



Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you to those of you who supported our Christmas Fair last Saturday in the Jubilee Hall. The weather was pretty miserable but it did not deter many of you from venturing out and enjoying the festivities.



Our thanks go to Reverend Ann, Victoria and Elizabeth for our wonderful Christmas service at All Saints. The children helped retell the story of the first Nativity by unwrapping a

pass the parcel present, reminding us that Christmas is a time to celebrate the birthday of Jesus.

Nativity performances next week

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
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

Opal Play survey

Earlier in the week we sent out our parent survey to gain your views on play opportunities at Witley. Please do take time to respond over the Christmas period. We value everyone's response and it is important that we do receive as many completed surveys as possible. Thank you in advance.

Cupcake the fat tailed lizard visits Witley!



As part of their science learning Cupcake the fat tailed lizard (gecko) came to visit Penguins! He or she was very well behaved. Year 1 have been learning about reptiles, so what better way than to see 'Cupcake' and learn all about them. Thank

you to the Snowden family for sharing a member of their family with our children.



Puffins PE!

With such poor weather this month Year 2 have been enjoying the equipment in the hall as part of their learning in PE.







Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Helen Szczepanski

Cake Raffle

Thank you to the Brett family for the chocolate treats.

Congratulations to Remy in Dolphins who won.

Allergies: Please note some cakes are shop bought and some are homemade and therefore we cannot guarantee that they are nut free.



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

Year R – Grace and Alfie

Year 1 – Seb and Dylan

Year 2 – Jack and Isla Ho

Headteacher's Gold Book award

Year R – Lola Year 1 – Iris Year 2 – Felix





Surrey County Council Autumn Half Term Break

Your Opinion Counts!

In response to the national conversation that has emerged over the last few months, about school holidays and term times, the council is seeking the views of our community, including school staff, businesses, workers, residents, and partner agencies. Nationally, there are approximately 10% of state funded schools that have made a change to the length of the autumn half term holiday, which includes a number of Surrey schools and education settings.

The council is inviting parents to express a view which will assist us to consider our approach to determine if there is an appetite for change to the autumn half term holiday for future academic years.

https://www.surreysays.co.uk/csf/autumn-half-term/

Safeguarding is everyone's business

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL) are:

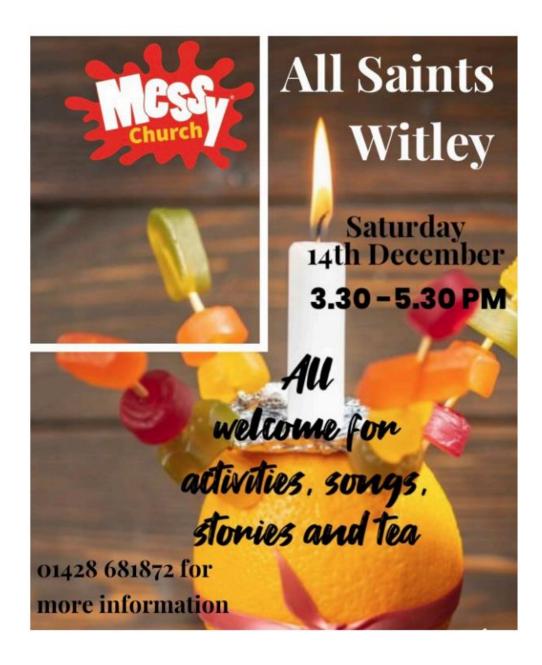
Helen Szczepanski – Headteacher – Lead DSL

Becky Latham – School Business Manager – Deputy DSL

Phillipa Allison – SENCo - Deputy DSL

Sarah Dutton – Home School Link Worker – Deputy DSL

If you have any concerns about a child, please report to one of the DSL's as soon as possible the same day.



SCHOOL CALENDAR				
DAY	DATE	ACADEMIC YEAR 2024 -25		
		AUTUMN HALF TERM 28 th October – 1 st November		
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		
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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		

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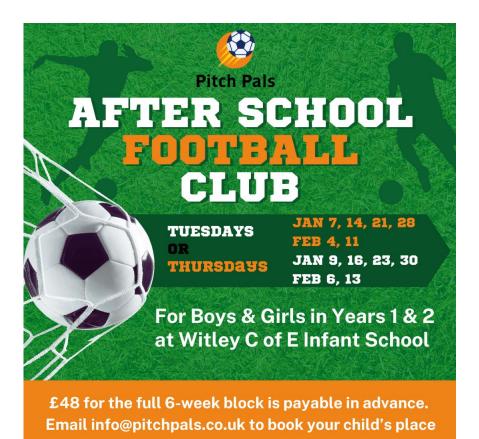
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Fri	23.05	INSET Day no. 5
		MAY HALF TERM HOLIDAY 26 th – 30 th May 2025
Mon	02.06	First day of term
Mon	09.06	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check (all week)
Tues	22.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH



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