



Witley C of E Infant School



Learn, love and flourish together



Newsletter no. 39 Spring Term
Friday, 14th July 2023



Wishing all of our families an amazing summer!

Dear Parents/Carers

We have been showered with wonderful gifts and messages this week which has made us all feel very valued and special. On behalf of all our staff we'd like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Witley C of E Infants School is a very special place to be and we have had a terrific year teaching your children. Yes, it's been a year of ups and downs for each and every one of us but working together is what really counts so we'd like to THANK all of you for your support.

I'd also like to thank our Governors and dedicated staff for helping me to make Witley the best it can be. It takes time and effort from every individual to make this happen and we will continue to help Witley flourish next year with your continued support.

Our Friends of Witley School have worked tirelessly to fundraise and have gifted so much to the school. Thank you. Please do get involved next year as many hands make light work!

This week Mrs Barrows and I took a few of our year 2 pupils to Surrey Hills Care Home in Wormley, to meet some of the residents to share their learning and sing some songs. We're hoping this will be a regular event throughout next year.

Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Mary Moran in our office this week. Best wishes Mary! Some of our other staff are taking on different roles, Mrs Katie Bone will join the admin staff, Miss Cann is staying on for September to help with the transition of our New Year R, Mrs Jess Adams will be back in October to help in Year 2 and Miss Clements will be returning to help out when our staff are on training.

Good Luck to our Year 2 who will be moving to their new schools after the summer. We wish you all the best and we know you're going to be just amazing! Please do let us know how you are getting on, we'd love to hear your news!



Wishing each and every one of you a super summer of fun!

Mrs Helen Szczepanski

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

Reception: Samson and Katie

Year 1: Harvey and Sam

Year 2: Alice P and Edith



Headteacher's Gold Book award goes to Puffins Class! Wishing you all the best!

Cake Raffle

Thank you to Mrs Szczepanski for gifting the cakes this week!

Dolphins – Samson
Penguins – Harrison
Puffins – Posy



Makaton Challenge



Small forward movement

holiday



Mime licking ice cream

ice cream

Governor Pen Portraits

Every week I have been including pen portraits from our Governors so you can get to know them. This week, Tom Campbell, our Foundation Governor.

I am delighted to have recently joined the Governing Body, having lived and worked down the road at King Edward's School Witley for 7 years as Head of Geography, Head of Year and now Head of Middle School. I have been teaching for 13 years, having previously worked at Langley Park School for Boys in Beckenham, in Kenya setting up Marine Parks and in estate management. I am passionate about facilitating spaces that allow students to flourish and be the best versions of themselves they can be, both through outstanding academic provision but also a holistic approach to co-curricular opportunities and addressing the needs of every individual child – something which Witley Infant School does with great aplomb. Outside of the classroom I spend my time on the tennis court (as both a player and official), country sports and watching stand-up comedy, having stepped away from the microphone formally many years ago! I look forward to meeting and working with the school community very soon!



THANK YOU SO MUCH

To everyone who volunteered
or donated this year

FWS would like to say a huge thank you for supporting all of the fundraising activities over the year, from the cake raffle and sponsored bounce to the Christmas Grotto you have all helped raise over

£5000!

This has helped support the school with essential learning resources, funding school trips and equipment around the school, in total

£7,700 of support

Thank you!!

From
The Friends of Witley School



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

Home visits for EYFS – Mon 4th, Tues 5th and Weds 6th

EYFS half day visits on Thursday 7th /Friday 8th

Week beginning Monday, 11th September – EYFS stay until 12.15 pm

Week beginning Monday, 18th September – EYFS can stay either until 12.15 or 3.15 pm

Thursday 14th September – Flu vaccines (details have been emailed)

Tuesday 19th September – EYFS Curriculum meeting 7.15-8.15pm

Thursday 5th October – Parent Tours for Admissions 2024, please book via the school office:

Tour no. 1 09.05 – 09.45 am

Tour no. 2 10.00 – 10.35 am

Tuesday 10th October – Individual and sibling photographs inc. toddlers and babies.

Thursday 12th October - Parent Tours for Admissions 2024, please book via the school office:

Tour no. 3 09.05 – 09.45 am

Tour no. 4 10.00 – 10.35 am

Friday 13th October – EYFS Breakfast! (Details to follow)

Monday, 16th October -- Harvest Festival in the Jubilee Hall at 2.15 pm – all parents invited followed by Open Classroom until 3.30pm

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.

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PLEASE LABEL ALL SCHOOL UNIFORM!

The school holidays is a good time to label up school uniform.

Our school code is 25651

At Witley we have nearly new and second hand uniform available. Please call in at the office for further information. Our uniform policy is on our school website. Please remember M&S logo white polo tops are optional. Simple supermarket white tops are perfect!



Please follow the link below for advice and support for help paying for school uniform.

<https://www.surreycc.gov.uk/children/support-and-advice/families/family-finances/paying-for-school-uniforms>

BBC BITESIZE

Summer of Adventure from the BBC Bitesize Parents' Toolkit

As the summer holidays start, the [Parents' Toolkit on BBC Bitesize](#) has the perfect tonic for parents/carers of primary children who are looking for activities to occupy their kids.

See why we're launching our [Summer of Adventure](#) – it's all about getting children outdoors and engaging with nature, whether watching wildlife, growing plants, or exploring the beach.



Visit Godalming Library
on Thursday 10th August
to see the
Men's Premier League Trophy
Women's Super League Trophy

Wear your football kit

Get close to these iconic trophies

Have your photo taken

The image shows two trophies: the Premier League Trophy on the left and the Super League Trophy on the right. A soccer ball is positioned between them. The background is a blurred stadium scene with confetti falling. The Surrey County Council logo is in the bottom right corner.

Pitch Pals

AFTER SCHOOL FOOTBALL CLUB

THURSDAYS 3.20-4.20PM **SEPTEMBER 14, 21, 28, OCTOBER 5, 12, 19**

For Boys & Girls in Year 1 & 2 at Witley C of E Infant School

£42 for the 6-week block is payable in advance. Please email Paul on info@pitchpals.co.uk to secure your space

The advertisement features a green background with silhouettes of soccer players and a soccer ball in the foreground. The text is in white and orange.

THE HEN HOUSE!



Don't panic we can help you over the summer!

Do you like a decent cup of coffee and a sit down?
 All whilst the children burn off some excess energy????
 The sensible answer is **YES!!!**

I have a **special offer** to share with you to help keep those cheeky monkeys busy over the very long summer break.
Until the 31st of August The Hen House, Haslemere, has a Summer Play Pass available for just £50!!
 This allows up to three siblings from the same family access to our lovely soft play for an **unlimited amount of times** until the end of August.

Visit us as much as you like and pay nothing for soft play entry all summer long! To book, please head to the **Book Now** page of our website and select FAMILY MEMBER SOFT PLAY.
<https://thehen-house.com/shop/>

Please call us on 01428 658 946 if you need any assistance to book.



WHAT'S ON THIS SUMMER!



**- THURSDAY 10TH AUGUST -
THE HASLEMERE YOUTH HUB**

Come along and make a moving robot puppet using cardboard and found materials. Drop in sessions - 11:30 - 2:30pm - £4 per child

**- WEDNESDAY 16TH AUGUST -
THE HIDEAWAY CAFE, GUILDFORD**

We're making mini world creations in this super fun and imaginative workshop. Drop in sessions - 11:30 - 2:30pm - £5 per child

**- THURSDAY 31ST AUGUST -
THE WHITE LION WALK, GUILDFORD**

Time to get creative and 'Make Some Art' with this FREE session brought to you by 'Experience Guildford' 11am - 3pm

For more information:

<https://bookwhen.com/artfulkidsuk>

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Have a great

