



# Witley C of E Infant School

Learn, love and flourish together

Attendance  
for the Year  
96.3%

Newsletter no. 19 - Spring Term  
Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

Our value this half term is joy



*A joyful heart is good medicine Proverbs 17:22*

Dear Parents and Carers

## Year 2 Art

Year 2 have been exploring colour painting and expressive art. Pupils began by looking at other paintings to see how they 'express' themselves through colour. Pupils prepared their canvas with a mixed colour for the background. I'm sure you'll agree we have some budding artists in Year 2!



## Football cards!

Sadly, we are seeing an increase in issues arising from the football cards that the children are bringing into school. This is having an effect on class behaviour so we have made the decision that cards are not allowed in the classroom and must be kept in their book bags at all times. Please support us with this rule by talking to your child about them if they are collecting these cards.

**Valentine Party** after school next Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> February at our All Saints Church. Pop-up tea and coffee with home-made biscuits and cakes will be inside church next week with extra fun to celebrate Valentine's Day. All children and adults welcome, please drop-in or stay awhile. Chandler School siblings and younger siblings are also invited.



Have a lovely weekend  
Mrs Helen Szczepanski

## Children's Eye Tests



### Children's eye tests are free!

The NHS will cover the full cost of an eye test for anyone who qualifies. All children under 16, as well as those under 19 in full-time education, are entitled to an NHS funded eye test. [Find out more about NHS funded eye tests.](#)

In school-age children, signs of a problem can include:

- not being able to see objects at a distance
- trouble reading the blackboard
- squinting
- trouble with reading
- sitting too close to the TV
- headaches



Checking eye sight is one of the first things to investigate if your child is having problems at school.

## Competition Time!

Look out for the competition entry in your book bag today!

This half term sees the film Migration released in cinemas and you have the chance of winning a conservation pack for Witley School providing everything we need to turn a corner of the school into a haven for wildlife. The winner will also receive an exciting Migration merchandise pack.



## Cake Raffle

Our cake raffle takes place in our Celebration Assembly.

Thank you to the Graffham Family for the delicious treats!

Well done to Billy in Year R for winning the delights!



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

Year R: Olivia and Eben

Year 1: Jack and Amy

Year 2: Harrison and Jack

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

Year R: Percy

Year 1: Isla Hi

Year 2: Henry James



## Children's Mental Health Week

As well as supporting children in school with resources check out the family pages on the Place2Be website.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/>

The theme this year is 'My Voice Matters'.

**My Voice Matters** is about empowering children and young people by providing them with the tools they need to express themselves. As parents and carers, you play an important role in your child's mental health. This year, we want to empower children of all ages, backgrounds and abilities to work together to create a positive change for their mental health and wellbeing. Our aim is for Children's Mental Health Week, we want all children and young people to be able to say – and believe - "My Voice Matters."





Are you a **professional** painter and decorator or can recommend someone?



The Scouts Committee are currently gathering quotes for the internal redecoration of our Jubilee Hall.

If you would like to quote for the job then please email the office and we will pass your details on.  
[office@witley.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@witley.surrey.sch.uk)



Seller  
Tables  
£13.50

**BABY AND CHILDREN MARKET**  
**AGE 0-5**

**Milford Village Hall**  
**Saturday 23rd March**  
**2pm-3.30pm**

Tables can be booked to sell you items, keep all profit on the day  
Or come along and shop for bargains £1.50 entry children free  
(Market is cash only)

More information and booking  
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Instagram: [sophielittlepicklesmarkets](https://www.instagram.com/sophielittlepicklesmarkets)

## The Rag Bag Scheme

Do you have any good quality clothes to donate? We raised over £250 last year. Please drop them off in the small playground shed from Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> February. Collection will be after half term, so if you are having a wardrobe sort out please bring in clothing when we return.

**Rag Bag can only accept the following items:**

- Good quality wearable men's, ladies & children's clothing
- Paired shoes (tied together)
- Handbags
- Belts



**PLEASE DO NOT PUT SCHOOL UNIFORM IN THE BAGS. Thank you**

## TERM DATES 2023/24

DAY	DATE	SPRING TERM 2024
Mon	05.02	Children's Mental Health Week
Tues	06.02	Safer Internet Day
Tues	06.02	Parent Consultations 4 – 7.30 pm held in school
Th	08.02	Parents Consultations 3.30 – 6 pm held in school
Fri	09.02	<b>INSET DAY No. 3 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING</b>
		<b>FEBRUARY HALF TERM 12.02 to 16.02</b>
Mon	19.02	First day of term
Fri	23.02	Krispy Kreme Doughnut sale and uniform sale - FWS
Th	29.02	Safeguarding workshop for volunteers. Contact the office for further info.
Tues	05.03	Year R Trip to Haslemere Museum – morning
Th	07.03	World Book Day – come dressed as your favourite book character!
Wed	13.03	Year 2 Trip to Marwell Zoo
Tues	19.03	Year 2 Class Assembly in the Jubilee Hall 9.05 – 9.30 am Parents welcome
Weds	27.03	Easter Service at All Saints Church – parents welcome 2 pm FOLLOWED by Open Classroom 2.45 – 3.30 pm for ALL year groups.
Th	28.03	<b>1.05.pm LAST DAY OF TERM –PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH</b>
DAY	DATE	SUMMER TERM 2024
Mon	15.04	<b>INSET DAY No. 4 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING</b>
Tues	16.04	First day of term
Mon	06.05	<b>BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY</b>
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.
Fri	24.05	<b>INSET DAY No. 5 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING</b>

		<b>MAY HALF TERM 27.05 to 31.05</b>
Mon	10.06	Phonics Screening Check for Year 1 – all week
Weds	19.06	Year 1 Team Building Games at Rodborough School - am
Th	20.06	Whole Class group photographs
Weds	26.06	Year 2 Team Building Games at Rodborough School - am
Wed	03.07	Year 1 Trip to Chichester Harbour
Th	18.07	Year 2 Trip to Sayers Croft
Tues	23.07	1.05 pm LAST DAY OF TERM. PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH.



**SAVE the DATE**

**Safer Internet Day**

**2024** | Tuesday  
6 February

[www.saferinternetday.org](http://www.saferinternetday.org)



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