

# Witley C of E Infant School

# Learn, love and flourish together

Attendance for the Year 96.2% Newsletter no. 18 Spring Term Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Our value this half term is joy

A joyful heart is good medicine Proverbs 17:22



Dear Parents and Carers

Well done to our KS1 pupils who confidently performed their poetry slam on Tuesday. Many of the poems were written by the children and it was great to see so many of you in the Jubilee Hall.

We hope you enjoyed our Open Classroom event this week. The children really do enjoy showing you their learning!

# School Council

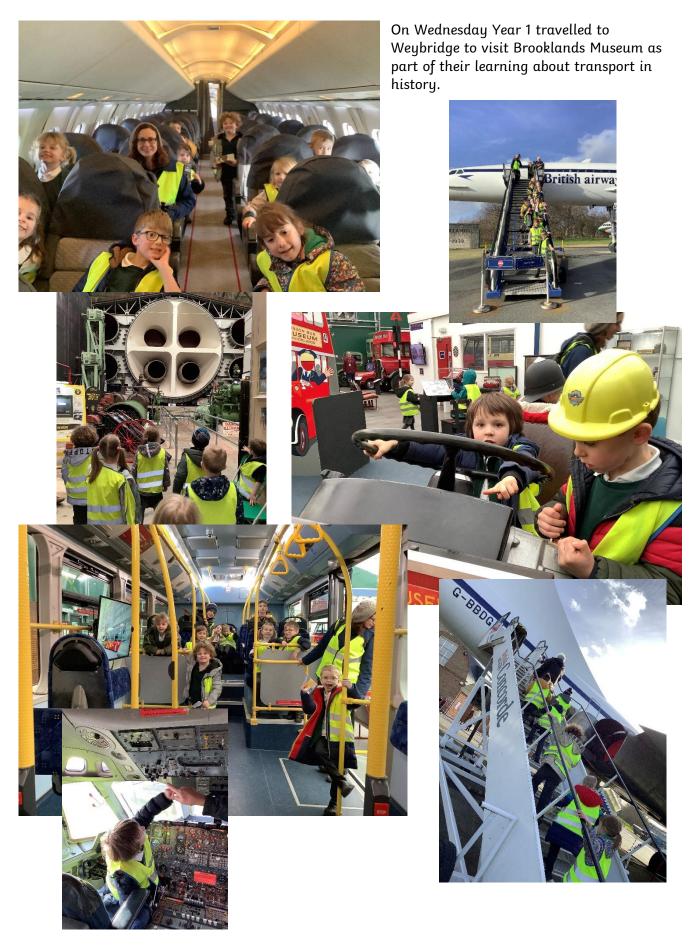
Members of the school council helped choose some new playground equipment which arrived this week. In assembly we talked about looking

after new equipment for everyone to enjoy and Year 2 demonstrated their catch cup and Connect Four skills. The bouncers were a bit tricky and we decided we'd needed to practise a number of times before we mastered them! Needless to say, Mrs Szczepanski needed a little bit of help too!





Year 1 at Brooklands Museum



# Attendance

You will have noticed our attendance figure at the top of our newsletter and we're very proud of our whole school attendance which is above the national average. Thank you to our parents who recognise the importance of regular attendance. Unfortunately, we do have a lot of illness at the moment with coughs and colds. Please remember to ring or email the office as soon as you can to let us know if your child will be absent. Please ensure you leave the reason why they are poorly i.e. high temperature, sickness, etc.

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Helen Szczepanski

**Cake Raffle** 



### Our cake raffle takes place in our Celebration Assembly.

Thank you to the Dennett family for the beautiful cake!

Well done to Henry in Puffins for winning!

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

Year R: Jack and Dylan Year 1: Isla and Aiden Year 2: Bertie and Bella Mrs Szczepanski's Headteacher Award in our Celebration Assembly goes to:

Year R: Billy Year 1: Arlo Year 2: Rachael





# NO BANANAS or NUTS HERE PLEASE!

Please do not put bananas or nut based products in packed lunches.

Whilst we do have bananas as snacks in class we put strict measures in place to ensure children with allergies are not affected.

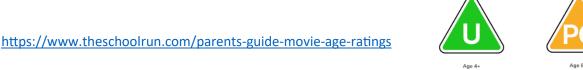


Thank you.

### To Watch or not to Watch

In our PSHE sessions children get the opportunity to talk about all kinds of things and one topic that comes up regularly is the references made by our children about films they have watched that are not age appropriate viewing online or on tv.

As parents it is difficult to keep up with technology, but once a child has seen something that has affected them it's very hard not to 'unsee' it! The website below has very useful information and offers clear guidance for parents to make up their own minds on suitable viewing.



**Child Health Information Services (CHIS)** would be grateful for your support and feedback towards a potential change to the way children aged 0 to 5 years are invited and recalled for their routine childhood vaccinations. CHIS are seeking responses to a short 5-minute survey from the full spectrum of parents/carers, and people who work with young families, to understand their views about the potential use of text messages, as well as letters, for childhood vaccination invitations.

CHIS are keen to hear from those who may not engage regularly with health services or who may face difficulties with digital communication, alongside others.

The promotional poster (see below) includes a link and QR code to the survey. The direct survey link: <u>https://jointheconversation.scwcsu.nhs.uk/embeds/projects/26152/survey-tools/27726</u> (**This survey will close on Friday 26 January**).



<b>TERM DATES 2023/24</b>		
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	INSET DAY No. 3 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
		FEBRUARY HALF TERM 12.02 to 16.02
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	1.05.pm LAST DAY OF TERM –PLEASE NOTE EARLIER FINISH
DAY	DATE	SUMMER TERM 2024
Mon	15.04	INSET DAY No. 4 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING
Tues	16.04	First day of term
Mon	06.05	BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
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	INSET DAY No. 5 – SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING

		MAY HALF TERM 27.05 to 31.05
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.



Children and Family Health Surrey has launched a new webpage to provide winter safety advice to families including tips about road crossing and being seen in the dark, cycling, playing in the snow and keeping warm.

The advice includes:

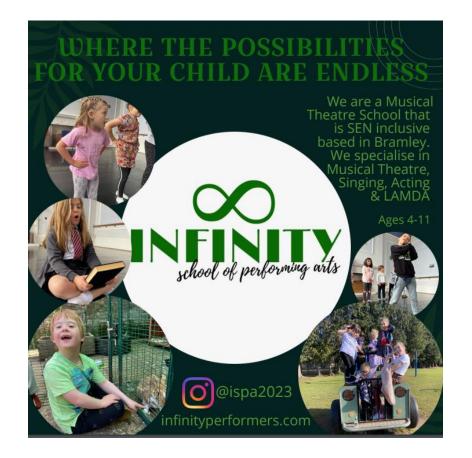
Remind older children to put away their phones and take out any earphones when crossing roads.

Get your child into the habit of wearing their helmet and if you cycle as a family, remember to wear yours too. It is a legal requirement to have lights and reflectors on bikes when you are out between sunset and sunrise.

When sledging in the snow choose a slope that is not too steep, make sure it is free of obstacles and does not end near a road, body of water or solid objects such as trees, fences and walls.

Babies lose heat though their heads so remove hats or hoods when indoors, in a shopping centre or in a car, and remove all outdoor clothing when indoors to avoid overheating.

Visit the <u>Children and Family Health Surrey website</u> to find out more.





Job Opportunities at King Edward's School.

Please contact the school for further information.

Email: info@kesw.org

Telephone: 01428 686700



#### Job Description – Lead Examinations Invigilator

#### **Overall Purpose**

To play a role under the auspices of the Governing Body/Headteacher and under the overall direction of the Exams Officer in enhancing the examination process for all students in the school through upholding the integrity of the internal and external examinations.

Reporting to: Examinations Officer

Location: King Edward's Witley

Direct reports: Nil

Hours of work: Casual contract. Hours as required dependent on exam timetables; mainly April, May



#### Job Description – Examinations Invigilator

#### **Overall Purpose**

Conducting external examinations for pupils, ensuring that all regulatory requirements for the conduct of examinations are strictly adhered to and met at all times.

Reporting to: Examinations Officer

Location: King Edward's Witley

Direct reports: Nil

Hours of work: As required dependent on exam timetables; mainly April, May and June