



WHITEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

APRIL 2025



RED NOSE DAY

On **Friday 21st March** our school took part in the National Comic Relief Red Nose Day, a fund-raising day that works for a wide range of charities across the UK and Africa.

We held a number of fun activities throughout that week such as the lunchtime comedy shows, biscuit sale and design a funny face competition. This was completed with a non-uniform day 'Dress Up Funny for Money' on Friday 21st March where children and adults could come to school wearing bright clothes or anything that made them feel happy!

Thank you to the School Council and Mrs Pankhania who have been busy organising the various activities.

In total, we raised a fantastic **£430.00!**

CONGRATULATIONS MRS NORRIS!

I am sure that you will be delighted to hear that Mrs. Norris gave birth to a healthy baby boy on Monday 31st March. Both mother and baby are well.

We would like to wish Mrs Norris and her family many congratulations.



GOODBYE MS GARTON

We say a sad goodbye to Ms Garton who will be leaving us at the end of this week. We thank Ms Garton for all her hard work as the Toucans Class Teacher and Lower KS2 Phase Leader. We wish Ms Garton every success in the future.

ECO NEWS

Spring has finally arrived and how glorious it has been seeing the wonderful daffodils and crocuses showing their golden leaves. It has certainly put a smile on faces across the city. With this warm weather comes opportunities to plant and the ECO warriors have been doing exactly that.

This Spring the ECO warriors will be entering the great, "Grow your own Grub" competition. The children have planned a 3 course meal and we will be planting some of the ingredients from it and many other things. So far, we have planted carrots and beans and while we were planting we found some potatoes that ECO warriors planted last year. They were huge!

Gardening is a fantastic way to teach children how to be more sustainably minded as well as encouraging children to eat fresh healthy food. The children have shown fantastic teamwork and creativity while planting and it has been delightful to see the children building a relationship with nature. Watch this space to follow our planting journey!

Miss Bahadur (ECO Lead)



MARCH SPORTS NEWS

Year 5/6 Girls Football League

On Wednesday 19th March it was Matchday 2 of the Girls division 2 league at Judgemeanow.

The girls were super excited to get started. They did so well, they never gave up, kept smiling throughout. Some of the football was a joy to watch with the girls taking their chances when they came.

Results as follows:

Whitehall 3 v Krishna Avanti 0

Whitehall 2 v St Barnabas 0

Whitehall 1 v Hope Hamilton 0

Whitehall 0 v Coleman Primary 0

We are delighted to announce that the Girls have qualified for the Semi Final of the League on Thursday 10th April at New College. On behalf of the Whitehall Family, we wish them all the very best.

Footballing Success

We are delighted to announce that Maliha in the Chameleons Class has been scouted by Leicester City Football Club and we can confirm the news that Maliha has been given a place to play for the Football Club at under 9 level. This is a fantastic achievement for her personal development. On behalf of Whitehall Primary School, we would like to pass on our congratulations to Maliha and her family and we look forward to following her footballing journey.

Sports Days at Whitehall Primary School 2025

We are delighted to announce the dates and times for our Annual Sports Day 2025 and we look forward to seeing you celebrate with us.

Monday 23rd June: Year 5 and 6 Sports Day 9.15am – 10.45am

Monday 23rd June: Year 3 and 4 Sports Day 1.30pm – 3.00pm

Thursday 26th June: EYFS Sports Day 9.15am – 11.00am

Thursday 26th June: Years 1 and 2 Sports Day 1.15pm – 2.45pm

Sports Clubs:

As we move into the Summer Term, our new Sports Clubs will be launched from April 28th 2025. Watch this space as letters will start to come home for children who are interested in joining.

On behalf of the PE Team, we want to wish you all a wonderful and restful Easter Break. We look forward to providing more sporting opportunities and success in the Summer Term.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please find an outline of some of the extra-curricular activities we have available within the school for our children during the Summer Term One:

Activity	Day	Year Group	Leader
Performing Arts Club	Monday 3.15 – 4.15pm	4, 5 & 6	Mrs Stevens
Kwik Cricket	Monday 3.15 - 4.15pm	5	Mr Weston & Mr Bull
Athletics	Monday 3.15 - 4.15pm	2	Mr Ruparelia
STEM Club From 12.05.25	Monday 3.15 – 4.30pm	KS1 & KS2	Ms Adams
Benchball Club	Tuesday 12.00-12.25pm	3	Miss Derry
Athletics	Tuesday 3.15 - 4.15pm	6	Mrs Trivedi & Mr Bull
Athletics	Thursday 3.15 - 4.15pm	4 & 5	Mr Ruparelia & Mr Bull
Gym Club	Friday 12.00-12.25pm	4	Mr Ruparelia
Rounders	Friday 3.15 – 4.15pm	6	Mr Ruparelia & Mr Hill



ATTENDANCE CLASS WINNERS

Congratulations to the following classes who have won attendance award certificates during February and March 2025:

w/c 24 th February: Dolphins Year 2 (97.3%)	Pumas Year 6 (98.3%)
w/c 3 rd March: Foxes Year 1 (100%)	Ospreys Year 5 (99.7%)
w/c 10 th March: Foxes Year 1 (98.1%)	Polar Bears Year 3 (99.3%)
w/c 17 th March: Starfish Year 2 (97.1%)	Toucans Year 4 (98.6%)
w/c 24 th March: Hedgehogs Year 1 (98.2%)	Iguanas Year 4 (97.6%)

SPRING TERM ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following classes for winning the attendance award for the spring term:

Infants
Class 13 Dolphins
(96%)

Juniors
Class Iguanas
(96.8%)



100% ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to our 52 pupils who have maintained 100% attendance at the school since September 2024. They all received the Silver Attendance medals.

Also, congratulations to our 142 pupils who have maintained 100% attendance at school throughout the spring term. They all received a special attendance certificate.

SPECIAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

w/c 28th April: RSHE Parents' Meetings

Friday 1st May: Vaisakhi Parties (children can wear smart party clothes)

Friday 23rd May: Hedgehogs Class Assembly (9.05am)

MAY BANK HOLIDAY

School will be closed on **Monday 5th May** as it is a May Bank Holiday



HOUSE CUP WINNERS

Congratulations to **Birch** for winning the House Cup for the spring term with **3827** House Points.

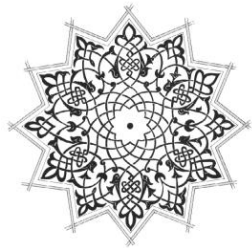
Well done to all the other Houses. Below are their results:
Chestnut (3797), Oak (2468) and Sycamore (2507).

This term has been an exciting one for our house competitions, with all houses working hard to earn points through their dedication, teamwork, and achievements. A huge Congratulations to Birch House and all the pupils who contributed to their success.

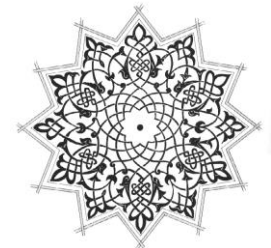
As you can see, it was a close race, with Chestnut House finishing in a strong second place—an incredible effort! Thank you to everyone for showing such great enthusiasm and school spirit.

Let's see what the summer term brings—keep earning those points!

EID GREETINGS



On behalf of all the staff and governors of our school I would like to send happy and peaceful greetings to all the families who celebrated Eid.



VAISAKHI GREETINGS



On behalf of the staff and governors of our school, I would like to wish all the families who will be celebrating a happy and enjoyable Vaisakhi.

EASTER HOLIDAY



Our school will be closing on **Friday 11th April** for the two-week Easter holiday. On behalf of our school I would like to wish all the families who will be celebrating a happy Easter.

School will re-open on **Monday 28th April**.