



WHITEHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2026

## HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Welcome back to the start of another year for our school! We hope you all have had an enjoyable and restful seasonal holiday!

## CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY



On **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December** we held a 'Christmas Jumper Day' raising money for 'Save the Children'.

The whole school took part by wearing their favourite festive knits for the day.

This was most enjoyable and we raised **£190.00**

Thank you so much to everyone who made this event so successful and for your generous support.



## CHRISTMAS FAIR



On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December we held a Christmas Fair. There were lots of Christmas activities and stalls located in the hall and dining area of the school. It was great to see so many of you enjoying the activities and refreshments.

This was highly successful and we raised a fabulous **£540.00**

Thank you so much to everyone who made this event so successful and for your very generous support.

Visit our school website: [www.whitehallprimary.co.uk](http://www.whitehallprimary.co.uk)

# 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 Spring Term One:

| Activity                            | Day                       | Year Group | Leader / School Contact                  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------|
| Boys & Girls Football               | Monday<br>3.15 - 4.00pm   | 5 & 6      | Mr Ruparelia & Mr Weston                 |
| Axe Throwing<br>(soft plastic axes) | Tuesday<br>12.00-12.30pm  | 5 & 6      | Active Sports                            |
| Mini - Trampolining                 | Tuesday<br>3.15-4.00pm    | 1 & 2      | Active Sports                            |
| Futsal                              | Thursday<br>12.00-12.25pm | 3 & 4      | Active Sports                            |
| Lazer Tag                           | Thursday<br>3.15-4.00pm   | 3 & 4      | Active Sports                            |
| Girls Netball                       | Thursday<br>3.15-4.00pm   | 6          | Mr Ruparelia                             |
| Girls Cricket                       | Thursday<br>3.15-4.00pm   | 5          | Leicestershire<br>County Cricket<br>Club |
| Bowling                             | Friday<br>12.00-12.30pm   | 1 & 2      | Active Sports                            |
| Team Building Club                  | Friday<br>12.30-12.55pm   | 5          | Mr Ruparelia                             |
| Martial Arts                        | Friday<br>3.15-4.00pm     | 5 & 6      | Active Sports                            |
| Boys & Girls Dodgeball              | Friday<br>3.15-4.00pm     | 6          | Mr Ruparelia                             |



## Year 6 Sports Leaders:

The Year 6 Sports Leaders continue to make a positive impact during lunchtimes offering a variety of engaging activities for the children. The children are learning everyday and developing such interpersonal skills that will hopefully aid them in the future.

We are very proud of you all and keep up the good work!



## HOUSE CUP WINNERS

Congratulations to **Birch** for winning the House Cup for the Autumn term with **1859** House Points!

Well done to all the other Houses for working hard to get their House Points.

Below are the results from the other Houses:

Oak (1522), Sycamore (1579) and Chestnut (1588)

## ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following classes who have won attendance award certificates during December 2025:

### Infants

w/c 24.11.25: Class 14 Seahorses (95.9%)

w/c 1.12.25: Class 13 Dolphins (96.9%)

w/c 8.12.25 Class 14 Seahorses (95.9%)

### Juniors

Class 6 Kestrels (98.3%)

Class 6 Kestrels (99.7%)

Class 4 Ospreys (98.0%)

## 100% ATTENDANCE WINNERS

Congratulations to the 125 pupils who managed 100% attendance during the Autumn term who all received a new bronze medal, attendance certificate and special treat.

## AUTUMN TERM ATTENDANCE WINNERS

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

### Infants

Class **14 Seahorses**  
(96.4%)

### Juniors

Class **4 Ospreys**  
(97.4%)



# ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

Regular attendance at school is vital if your child is to learn and make progress. Time off school can mean that they fall behind and will not be able to reach their potential.

Please help us by ensuring that your child attends school every day and arrives for the 8.45am start.

| Attendance during one school year | Equal days absent | Which is approximately weeks absent | Which means this number of lessons missed |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 95%                               | 9 Days            | 2 Weeks                             | 40 Lessons                                |
| 90%                               | 19 Days           | 4 Weeks                             | 80 Lessons                                |
| 85%                               | 29 Days           | 6 Weeks                             | 120 Lessons                               |
| 80%                               | 38 Days           | 8 Weeks                             | 160 Lessons                               |
| 75%                               | 48 Days           | 10 Weeks                            | 200 Lessons                               |
| 70%                               | 57 Days           | 11.5 Weeks                          | 230 Lessons                               |
| 65%                               | 67 Days           | 13.5 Weeks                          | 270 Lessons                               |

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January: Class 4 Ospreys Class Assembly

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January: Class 5 Eagles Class Assembly

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January: Class 6 Kestrels Class Assembly

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Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February: Year 6 Sit-A-Sat Parents' meeting (Information to follow)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February: Class 9 Chameleons Class Assembly

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February: Class 8 Iguanas Class Assembly

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February: Close for Half Term Holiday

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February: School reopens from Half Term Holiday

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February: Class 7 Toucans Class Assembly

N.B. Class Assemblies will aim to start by **9.05am**. Parents will also be sent a link to their child's class assembly. Please do not share or publish the link in any public domain.

## HALF TERM HOLIDAY

Our school will be closing on **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February** for the week long Half Term holiday.

School will reopens on **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**.