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## Points to Remember for WIB 20.3.23



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### DATES

#### March

- Tues 21<sup>st</sup>** - 9am: Bags2School back (see below)
- Fri 24<sup>th</sup>** - Health Screening for Reception (Letter emailed out)  
6:30pm: Rose Queen Selection Disco at the Village Hall
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup>**—Reports out for Years 1-5
- Tues 28<sup>th</sup>** - Weaverham Music Festival
- Wed 29<sup>th</sup>** - Reception and Y6 parent Evening (Book look for Y1 –Y5)
- Thu 30<sup>th</sup>** - Reception and Y6 Parent Evening (Book look for Y1 –Y5)
- Fri 31<sup>st</sup>** - Break up for the Easter holidays

#### April

- Mon 17<sup>th</sup>** - School opens for Summer Term (New timings start!)
- Tue 25<sup>th</sup>**—Class 2 to Titanic Museum

#### May

- Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> – Thur 4<sup>th</sup>**— Year 4 Residential to Conway
- Mon 8<sup>th</sup>**—Bank Holiday (additional for Coronation)
- Tue 9<sup>th</sup>—Fri 12<sup>th</sup>**—SATS for Y6
- Thur 25<sup>th</sup>**— Class group Photos
- Fri 26<sup>th</sup>**—Break up for half term

(Year 6 Residential to Min-y-Don: 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> July)

### BAG 2 SCHOOL

#### FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



#### Whitley Village School



Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



PLEASE USE YOUR OWN BAGS, OR BAG 2 SCHOOL BAGS (THERE IS NO LIMIT)

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

*We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:*

**Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.**

*(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)*

***The more we weigh the more we pay!***

*Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit*

***Please return your Bag2School on:***

**Tues 21st of March by 9am**

01609 780 222

[www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)

[helpdesk@bag2school.com](mailto:helpdesk@bag2school.com)

### Reminder — Summer Term Changes to the School Day

As you might be aware, the Government has decided that the school day should be increased to ensure that every school is open for a set amount of hours per week. This will mean that the Whitley day will increase by 5 minutes.

The gate will open at 8.40am as normal

The school day will now start at 8.45am (5 minutes earlier)

This will take effect from the **Summer term**.

### Have you booked?

## Parents Evening & Book Look

Reception and Year 6, please be sure to book an appointment on School Spider. Please email Emily with any issues and she will be happy to assist. School Spider App can be downloaded from the Apple App store or the Google Store

Wed 29<sup>th</sup> March – Parents Evening- Reception & Y6

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Y1—Y5 parents are invited to come into school for a 'Book Look'. This is a great opportunity to come and celebrate the progress that your child is making. There is no need for an appointment for the Book Look. You can look at books between 3.15—5.00pm on both days.



## Extra Curricular Club Time Table

**Please be aware that the final session for some clubs will be in the next two weeks**

Thank you to all the staff who have given up their time to run a Club

Name of club	Run by	When?	Where?	Time?	Dates	Collection Point	Available to	P
Year 6 Booster Club	Miss Baines	Monday	Year 456  Class-room	3.15-4.15pm	Begins: Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2023  Final Session: 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 this term	Office	Y6	All Year 6 to attend. Thank you.
Guitar	Guitar Company	Tuesday	Class 4	Until 3.30pm	Begins: Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2023  Final Session: 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Office	KS2	Please request a trial lesson if you are interested in your child learning guitar.
Mad Science	A Mad Scientist...	Tuesday	Hall	3.15-4.15pm	Begins: 28 <sup>th</sup> February 2023  Final Session: 28 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Office	Reception – Y6	
Chess Club	Mr David	Wednesday	Class 4	3.15 – 4.15pm	Begins: 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2023  Final Session: 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023	Class 4	Y2-6	Continued from last term.
Football	Coach	Thursday	Field	3.15pm – 4.15pm	Begins: 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2023  Final Session: 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	School field	Y5/6	Continued from last term.
Scottish Dancing	Miss Keegan	Friday	Hall	3.15 – 4.15pm	Begins: 3 <sup>rd</sup> March  Final Session: 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Office	Y2-Y6	Continued from last term.

## Healthy Snacks and Drinks

At Whitley we endeavour to be a healthy school, teaching the children about how to make good choices for their health including what they eat and how this contributes to their wellbeing.

We know how important it is that your child has the right fuel to keep them going from breakfast until lunch and would encourage you to provide them with something that they can eat at break time. Only one snack is needed at this time in the morning as they don't have time to sit down and eat for long and getting outside to play is also very important, so please don't send them with too much. The NHS guidance from 'change 4 life' advises that snacks are kept to under 100 calories. Drinking bottles should contain water only, which also helps us avoid sticky spillages.

Please remember that all Key Stage 1 children have the option of free fruit and veg options as part of the government school fruit and vegetable scheme.



## FoWS Lottery Results

**Lots of numbers still available – support your school and help raise £3,200!**

Please consider joining this year.

11/03/23	49	Dawn Addison	£50
15/13/23	36	J Sugden	£25

Contact Derry [07973281124](tel:07973281124) for help and to see which numbers are available.

**Thank you for supporting our school in this way**



Dear Parents,

Get set... we're taking part in Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel 2023 the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 20-31 March. It's free and we would love everyone to be involved.

### **What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event. We know that for lots of us, walking the whole way isn't an option so we have decided to include anyone that walks, scoots or bikes that little bit further as active travel. You could park at the Village Hall or park a little further away than normal. Each day, teachers will ask the children who has been come to school in an active way.

### **Why we are taking part**

Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel is a great way to build physical activity in children's daily routine which is important for their physical health and mental wellbeing.

Active school runs also help to reduce congestion and air pollution outside the school gate. [A 2021 YouGov study](#) showed nearly half of UK children worry about air pollution near their school. And that children thought active travel was the best away to bring down these pollution levels.

Plus there are some great prizes to be won every day if we get enough children taking part!

### **Useful resources**

To help you prepare, Sustrans has developed a handy free guide to walking, cycling or scooting to school. It is packed with advice to help you have hassle-free journey to school.

Download your free family guide using this link: <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/sign-up-to-receive-your-free-school-run-guide/>

For more information about the event go to [www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk](http://www.bigwalkandwheel.org.uk) . Enjoy the challenge!

