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DATES

September

Mon 23rd - 3:20: Meet the teacher, Miss Baines

Tues 24th - from 9am: Individual Photos

Tues 24th - 3:20: Meet the teacher, Mrs Downey

Wed 25th - 3:20: Meet the teachers, Miss Keegan & Mr David (Y1 Parents)

October

Wed 16th—Parents Evening, Reception and Y6 & Book Look for ALL

Thu 17th—Parents Evening, Reception and Y6 & Book Look for ALL

Fri 25th—FoWs Halloween Craft Event & Escape Room activity for Y6

Fri 25th—Break up for Half term Holiday

Thu 31st—secondary school place applications close (See Page 4)

November

Mon 4th - School reopens for Autumn term 2



Spelling Shed

We have received a few questions about using Spelling Shed, so we've added a link to a helpful parental tutorial from EdShed. This video provides valuable insights into the platform and is a great resource if you'd like to learn more about how it works. We encourage all parents to take a look!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVHb4srs0RU>

Reception will start using this platform once we start phonics.

Parking Reminder

As you will be aware the parking of cars in and around our school at key times of the day has caused many problems over recent years and posed a safety risk to our whole school and village community. This was recently discussed at the Parish Council meeting.

In an attempt to resolve these issues, our School Council & Junior Safety Officers have worked very closely with Cheshire West & Chester Council and Cheshire Police to come up with solutions to this problem.

As a result of these meetings, our children produced a 'Parents' Safer Parking Charter' which outlines the issues which they think are a risk to their safety.

· To drive safely around the school area, keeping below the speed limit and drive in accordance with the Highway Code.

· Leave in plenty of time for the school run and if possible park away from school. You can park at the Village Hall (approx. 3 minute walk) and walk the rest of the way with your children. This will help reduce the traffic and air pollution around our school.

· Not to stop or park on the yellow "School – Keep – Clear" and "zig-zag" markings during the times indicated on the yellow "No Stopping" signs outside the school (Monday to Friday, 8:00am to 5:00pm).

· Not to use the staff car park as a pick-up or drop off point for children unless I have permission.

To park so that my child is able to get out safely straight on to the pavement, not into the road.

Not to park near narrower parts of the road. It prevents children from being seen, stops the flow of traffic and blocks access for emergency vehicles, farm vehicles and bin lorries.

Forward any concerns regarding dangerous parking by calling 101, who can then take appropriate action.



New Equipment From FoWs

New Tables

We are delighted to share the recent additions to our school, generously funded by the Friends of Whitley School (FoWs). Thanks to their incredible fundraising efforts—and your ongoing support—our learning environment has been significantly enhanced. The new water cooler ensures students stay hydrated throughout the day, while the headphones improve focus and engagement on Century Tech and other online platforms. Additionally, the two new Community Play tables have maximised room space, allowing for better movement and interaction between pupils and staff. We are truly grateful for these improvements, and we cannot thank you all enough for your contributions.

New Headphones

New Water Cooler

The Friends of Whitley Village



CENTURY

INTELLIGENT LEARNING™

At Whitley Village School, we are continually striving to enhance our students' learning experiences. To support this, we use CENTURY, a cutting-edge online learning platform for Year 3 to Year 6 pupils.

What is CENTURY?

CENTURY is a powerful learning tool that uses artificial intelligence combined with the latest research in learning science and neuroscience. It identifies each student's strengths, knowledge gaps, and misconceptions. Pupils can access personalised work suggested by the platform's recommendation engine or complete assignments set by their teachers. This empowers students to take charge of their learning, while teachers receive real-time data on student progress, enabling swift intervention when needed.

How will this benefit my child's learning?

CENTURY complements traditional teaching methods, allowing teachers to integrate it flexibly into classroom and home learning activities. We are committed to ensuring all pupils have access to the necessary resources to complete their CENTURY work, whether at school or home. Please speak to us if you have an issue.

Accessing CENTURY

Your child can log in to CENTURY anytime by visiting app.century.tech and entering their unique login details, which will have been provided by their teacher. The platform works on tablets and laptops with modern browsers—Chrome for PCs and Android devices, and Safari for iPads. However, it is not optimised for mobile phones.

Data Security

Rest assured, CENTURY fully complies with data protection laws, including GDPR. Any personal information, such as names and dates of birth, is shared securely in accordance with the data-sharing agreement signed by parents.

Need more information?

If you have any questions, feel free to contact your child's teacher, visit www.century.tech, or email CENTURY's support team at support@century.tech.



Do you shop at ASDA?

FoWS has joined the new national scheme that ASDA is running in partnership with Parentkind.

By using the ASDA Rewards app, anyone can choose Whitley Village School as their preferred beneficiary. Once selected, the school will automatically receive a donation each time you shop. This is a simple and effective way to support our school at no additional cost to you.

We encourage everyone to get involved and help us raise funds for valuable resources and projects that benefit the children. Thank you for your continued support.



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Friends of Whitley Lottery

These are numbers that we currently have available to purchase!

The lottery lets us raise much-needed funds for school to help pay for Mathematics, coaches for trips, furniture etc.

It costs just £8 a month for 2 draws per week. If your number pops up, you win £25. If there was no winner the week before, you win £50!

If you would like a number and to help support school, please contact Hayley Woodward on 07740043151 or littlehayjay@gmail.com.

14/09/2024 54 Emma Dillon £25
18/09/2024 44 Rollover

Can you Support the FoWS Lottery?



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Applying for a secondary school place

Applications open on 1 September.

You must [apply for a secondary school place](#) by 31 October.

Your child is less likely to be offered a place at their chosen schools if you miss the deadline for applications.