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DATES

January

Thurs 16th—Y5 Escape To Safety event at school (Fire Service)

Thurs 30th—3:20pm, Year 4 London Parent mtg

February

Fri 14th—Break up for half term

Mon 24th—INSET Day, School close to pupils

Tue 25th—All pupils return for Spring Term 2
Choir to Young Voices in Manchester

March

Wed 12th—Parents Evening Reception and Y6 & Book Look for ALL

Thu 13th—Parents Evening Reception and Y6 & Book Look for ALL

Thur 20th—**Fri 21st**—Year 4 to London

April

Tues 1st—Reports for Y1—Y5 sent out

Fri 4th—last day of the Spring Term

Residential

Year 6 to Min-y-Don Monday 7th—Friday 11th July 2025

Free Rose Queen January Children's Party

19th January at the Village Hall

Eventbrite invitation

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/whitley-village-rose-queen-committee-free-childrens-party-tickets-1096521468229?aff=oddtcreator>



Welcome Back!

We are delighted to see the children back at school after what we hope was an enjoyable Christmas break. The spring term is much shorter, but we have already settled back into the routines of learning, despite the adverse weather!

It has been wonderful to see so many children engaging with their learning, particularly in reading. We are especially heartened by the increased participation of our older children in reading activities.

To support your child's progress, we kindly ask for your assistance in ensuring that they complete their homework tasks regularly. You will find our homework expectations on **Page 3**.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to a productive and enjoyable term ahead.

Kind regards from the Whitley Team





Help Needed

One of our families is beginning their journey of training a puppy as a support dog. As part of this process, they have kindly requested that the school community refrain from petting the puppy while it is wearing its orange vest.

We have already spoken to the children about this, but we would greatly appreciate it if you could remind them as well.

Thank you for your understanding and support in this matter.

Friends of Whitley School (FoWS)

Lottery

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

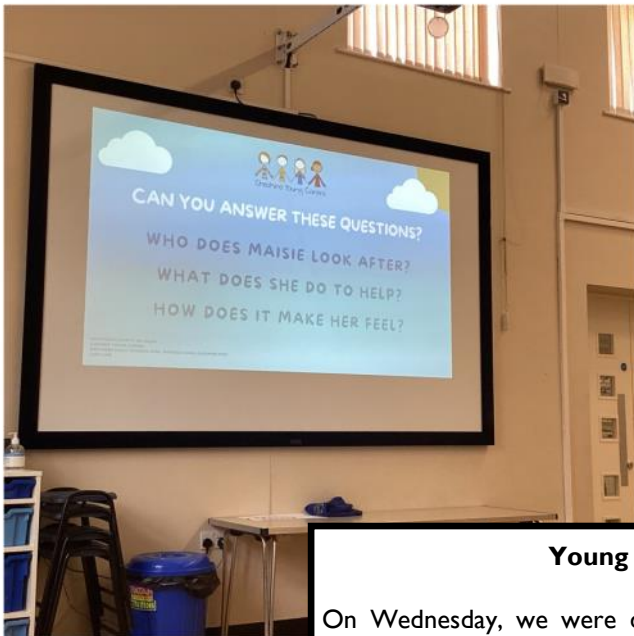
It costs just £8 a month for 2 draws per week. If your number pops up, you win £25. If there was no winner the week before you win. If you would like a number and to help support school,

Please contact Hayley Woodward on 07740043151 or

litthayjay@gmail.com

Lottery Winners

21/12/2024	8	Leanne Edwards Hodgson	£50
25/12/2024	31	Elizabeth Janes	£25
28/12/2024	55	Rollover	
01/12/2025	41	ROLLOVER	
04/12/2025	28	Leanne Wilson	£50
08/12/2025	21	Suzanne Martin	£25



Young Carers Visit

On Wednesday, we were delighted to host an assembly by Cheshire Young Carers organisation. It was a valuable and informative experience for the children, providing them with the opportunity to learn about the important work of Young Carers and how the organisation supports children.



Homework

Please continue to partner with us and help make this term even better for your child

Spellings

Spellings will be set on Spelling Shed each week. Spellings will be practised in spelling lessons each week and it would be beneficial for children to supplement this learning using Spelling Shed at home. Personalised spelling lists for Reception —Y6 will also be available to access each week on the Spelling Shed website through your child's login. We expect children to log into spelling shed at least three times per week. Spelling Shed allows us to carefully track your child's progress and ensure they maximise the opportunity to develop this aspect of their learning. Research suggests that the App has a very positive impact on the improvement of spelling.

Reading

We would encourage parents/carers to read with your child as often as possible at home. We expect this to be a minimum of four times per week. Reading books will continue to be sent home next term along with the blue reading record. Please keep a record of the reading taking place at home as much as you possibly can. Children will either be given a phonetically decodable book or an Accelerated Reader book, the level of which will be in the form of a range of numbers. Children who are on the Accelerated Reader scheme will be able to complete quizzes which assess their comprehension skills each time they complete their book. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher, before or after school.

Maths

'Mathletics' is a website based maths resource and the activities are linked to the national curriculum objectives for your child's year group. You will have received your child's username and password inside their reading diary. For children in Year 2 and above, we will set additional tasks on Times Table Rock Stars.

	Reading	Spelling Shed	Mathletics	Times Tables Rock Stars
Reception	At least 4 times per week Read words in Yellow word book and record.	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments.	Complete a Mathletics task (one task)	
Year 1	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments.	Complete a Mathletics task (one task)	
Year 2	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers. At least once per week.
Year 3	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use the multiplication facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables. At least once per week.
Year 4	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use multiplication facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12 . At least once per week. <small>(Y4 Government Multiplication Check in Summer Term)</small>
Year 5	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Revision of all multiplication and division facts up to 12×12 . At least once per week.
Year 6	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Revision of all multiplication and division facts up to 12×12 . At least once per week.

For children in Years 4—6 they will also have a longer task set on a half termly basis. This will link to a topic studied in class.



<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb>



<https://login.mathletics.com/>



<https://trockstars.com/>

