



We have had a fantastic last week of term at Whitmore.

The Year 3 and 4 children and staff performed their Easter play to parents on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. It was fantastic and we have had so many positive comments made about the quality of the show. Well done to the staff and children as this type of show takes a lot of hard work and rehearsing!

Thank you also to Miss Saunders and Mrs Rogers who have helped to sell raffle tickets over the last couple of weeks, and all the people that bought them or donated eggs, there were over 35 prizes and we have raised £237.00 which is brilliant!

We have also given out a large number of attendance rewards which is really great to see- we are moving in the right direction towards our attendance target of 96% by the end of the year. Thank you once again for ensuring your children are: In School, On Time, Everyday.

The vast majority of children in the school have taken part in Dojo Celebration today, which shows the outstanding behaviour we now have in our school and the consistency and hard work from the whole school community in helping us to achieve this.

We are going to hold another coffee morning after half term so look out for the date when we return. It is a really great way for us to get together and share ideas for fundraising and discuss the work we are doing as a school.

A reminder that parent consultations are on 30th April and the 1st May, we look forward to seeing you then.

Wishing you all a lovely rest during the Easter break and Happy Easter to you all.

Mrs N Kemp
Headteacher

- Dates:**
- April**
- 5th—Last day of term
 - 23rd—Return to school
 - 30th—Parent Consultation
- May**
- 1st—Parent Consultation
 - 6th—Bank Holiday Monday
 - W/C 13th—KS2 SATs
 - 20th—Year 6 Fire Safety Talk
 - 21st—Year 6 health screening
 - 21st—Reception & Year 1 Disco 3-4pm
 - 21st—Year 5 & 6 Disco 4.30-6pm
 - 22nd—Year 2,3,4 Disco 3-4.30
 - 23rd—DOJO celebration
- Inset Days—24th May 2019**



- The KS1 and Reception children worked hard on their Easter hats and Easter Cards. We have found it extremely difficult to judge them as they were all so very good.
- The class winners are;
- Buttercup - Albie and Teddy
- Daffodil - Phoebe and Harry
- Primrose - Alfie and Miley
- Tulip - Hallie and Toby
- Rose - Sophie J and Mia R
- Bluebell - Jack P - Alex
- Orchid - Ben and Frank
- Lavender - Finley and Ronnie
- Sunflower - Rocco and Ruby
- The overall winners are Finley from Lavender and Toby from Tulip. They won a big Easter Egg each.



- Homework book pages to be completed**
- Yr1— Maths P3 & 4.
 - Yr2—Spelling booklet, children read and spell the words in the booklet.
 - Yr3— Times Tables Rockstars
 - Yr4— Make a Shoebox Rainforest
 - Yr5— Ancient Greek project, the maths arithmetic and the lucky listener sheet .
 - Yr6— Set weekly via class teacher.



Happy Easter!



KS1 enjoyed learning about the meaning of Easter and making their Easter crafts with Pastor Ben. A big thank you to Pastor Ben for spending time with our children making their Easter crafts.

Wall of Achievement

Week of 1st April 2019



- Buttercup Class— Bonnie H
- Daffodil Class— Jacob S
- Primrose Class— Dulcie S
- Bluebell Class— Leenie H
- Rose Class— Demi L
- Tulip Class— Rebecca S
- Lavender Class— Lily P
- Orchid Class— Ta’sharn M
- Sunflower Class— Benas M
- Birch Class— Eleanor L
- Hawthorn Class— Teddy M
- Pine Class— Whole Class
- Ash Class— Samuel H
- Beech Class— Isabelle G
- Maple Class— Whole Class
- Olive Class— Cassie A
- Sycamore Class— Megan S
- Willow Class— Louise S



Talk it topics

Talk it topics are an opportunity for children to discuss and issue or idea throughout the week, at play or lunchtime, during the daily mile etc. It encourages children’s communication skills as well as debating skills and is fun. We will be covering a different topic in school each week. This weeks topic will be—

What makes you really happy and why?.....



Reminders

All afterschool clubs resume the first week back after Easter.

Dinner and breakfast club money can all be paid online via SIMs Pay, please ensure you are signed up. If you owe £20 for dinners your child could be refused a meal until this is cleared. If over £10 owed for breakfast club your child could be refused entry until a payment is made.

Once you have collected your child from Key Stage 1 we would ask that you do not walk round to the Key Stage 2 site until the main gates have been unlocked. As often the children are still outside doing activities (PE, DOJO etc).



Attendance and Punctuality

It is vitally important that children arrive at school on time and ready to learn. We would like to bring to your attention that **children arriving after 9.05am will now be marked down as an unauthorised absence** which can result in a referral to Essex County Council and a possible fine. We would really appreciate your help in making sure children attend school on time and we will be contacting parents for persistent lateness. We would ask that you also try to arrange doctors/dentist and other appointments outside of the school day as we have an increasing number of children being collected early or throughout the day. This has a knock on effect with your child’s learning and also can disrupt the class. The classes with the best attendance this week were—KS1 Sunflower Class with 96.7% and KS2 Birch Class with 96.7% The overall school attendance this week is 93%. Our attendance since September is 94.6%, we would appreciate your help in trying to raise this further to meet our target of 96%.

