



This week, we have had a very busy week. Tuesday 6th February was Safer Internet Day and so the children took part in special assemblies delivered by Mr A Smith and Mrs Collins. They also completed activities in their classes based around the motto of Safer internet Day 2018 : Create, Connect and Share Respect: 'A better internet starts with you'.



We have also had some new maths guides uploaded onto our website on the Parent's Page section. These will tell you all about the different calculation methods used at Whitmore and the curriculum objectives for each year group.

On Friday, we had our Dojo time celebration. The children took part in different activities including ICT, dancing, pizza making, bench ball, rocket ball, film watching, construction, multi-sports, cornflake cakes and craft making. Congratulations to every child who achieved the required number of dojo points to join in the celebration!



When we return we will be introducing the following lunch choices to year 2 - Hot Meal, Vegetarian, Jacket Potato and Baguettes (Ham, Cheese, Ham & Cheese, Tuna). Your child's teacher will be able to remind children on the morning of the choices available. On Fridays there are no jacket potatoes available.

I hope you have an enjoyable half term and look forward to seeing all the children return on 19th February 2018.

Mrs N Kemp
Headteacher



Dates:

February

- 19th—Return to school
- 21st—Year 5 road safety awareness
- 28th—Book fair starts (in Studio in KS2)



March

- 1st—World Book day
- 6th—Year 3/4 Home Safety awareness
- 6th—Last day of book fair
- 12th—Year 3/4 Home Safety awareness
- 12th—Year 6 Cyber Safety awareness

Non pupil dates—29th March and 25th May 2018

On Wednesday and Thursday all the children took part in around the world in 48 hours. During this time, they learnt about the culture, beliefs, identity, way of life and celebrations of various countries, including India, China, Russia, Argentina, Portugal, France, Iceland, Antarctic, Germany, Australia, Brazil, Trinidad and Tobago, Chile, South Africa, USA, Italy, Canada, Japan .

As well as this they all took part in a competition to design a flag for Whitmore Primary School. All the flags were designed to the best of the children's ability and it was an incredibly hard decision to choose the winner. After much discussion the overall winner was Myleene D.
Well done Myleene!



Wall of Achievement

Week of 5th February



- Buttercup Class—Child Absent
- Daffodil Class—Tommy S
- Primrose Class—Child Absent
- Bluebell Class—Lilly G
- Rose Class—Joseph J
- Tulip Class—Joanne S
- Orchid Class—Oliver D
- Lavender Class— Krystal C
- Sunflower Class—Steven E
- Ash Class—Connor M
- Beech Class—Harry P
- Birch Class—Kaitlyn J/Rubie F
- Pine Class—Ilie C
- Sycamore Class—Kade M
- Olive Class—Teejai S
- Willow Class—Szymon D
- Elm Class—Child Absent
- Elder Class—Child Absent
- Oak Class—Whole Class



Reminders

We appreciate that girls like to wear fashionable bows in their hair but would ask that they are no larger than 10cm x 5cm.

ProSports are offering our children aged 5+ a free day at their school club 'Camp Epic' on Monday 9-4pm, being held at Whitmore Primary, please come along.

There are some spaces on ProSports clubs—should your child be interested please visit the following website www.proportsolutions.co.uk.

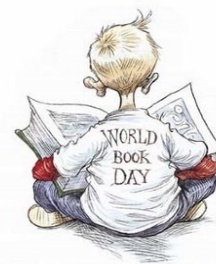
We have been notified by one our pupils that bikes are having their lock broken in the school bike shed—luckily the bike wasn't taken or damaged. Please be careful when removing bikes/scooters and remind children to respect other peoples property.

Book Fair is coming!



Wednesday 28th February to Tuesday 6th March
More books sold = more resources for the school!!

World Book Day - Thursday 1st March
What are you going to come as? Be original! Be creative!
Children can dress up as their favourite book character.
Prizes to be won!!!!



Attendance and Punctuality

It is vitally important that children arrive to school on time and ready to learn. We would like to bring to your attention that children arriving after 9.20am will be marked down as an unauthorised absence which can result in a referral to Essex County 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.



The winners of the Attendance this week were—KS1 Orchid class with 96.9% and KS2 Elm class with 98.9%. The overall school attendance is 90.1%; our target is 96% so would really appreciate your help in achieving this.

We are now running a team point system across the school this weeks results are as follows—

- 1st place—White
- 2nd place—Green
- 3rd place—Blue
- 4th place—Red

