

WHITLEY MEMORIAL C of E AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL



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'Let your light shine' – Matthew 5:16
Our Current Core Value: Respect

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Dear Whitley Family,

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a lovely half-term holiday and that you enjoyed the beautiful weather. I was camping in the Lakes so I was so pleased that the sun was shining! Long may the good weather last.

I can't believe that it is the start of the final half-term already; this year has gone so quickly. As you can imagine, we have a lot to squeeze in during the next 5 weeks and the staff are all working very hard to achieve this.

Attendance

Congratulations **Lindisfarne** who are our winners this week with **98%**. The half-termly winners will receive a prize from the Friends of Whitley, so let's get competitive and see if your class can win this time.

Thank you to the **Friends of Whitley** for supplying the doughnuts for Kielder Class, our last half-termly winners.

Year Group Trips

The following trips have been or are being arranged for the children. Unfortunately, at least one of them is dependent on the Government's decision on lifting any restrictions on June 21st. If any trips are unable to take part, we will try our hardest to make alternative arrangements. Also, due to guidance, we are sorry but we are unable to take parents on trips this year.

Reception-TBA

Year 1- Whitehouse Farm (15th June)

Year 2- Kirkley Hall Zoological Gardens (1st July)

Year 3&4- Beamish Museum (2nd July)

Year 5- Blyth Beach (7th July)

Uniform

It is very important that the children wear their school uniform as it is part of our school policy and identity. When you are buying new clothes and shoes during the summer holidays (for September), please refer to our school uniform policy which can be found on our website. We are currently looking into a new tracksuit/hoody and iron on badges. I will send out further information as soon as possible.

Suntan Lotion

Please make sure that you put suntan lotion on your child before they come to school.

War Memorial

In the main entrance lobby we have displayed the Whitley Memorial plaque. This was created in grateful memory of members of the school who gave their lives in The Great War 1914-1919. The Memorial was originally housed in Whitley Memorial School chapel but it was thought to have been lost when the school burnt down in 1969. In 2013 the Memorial was found in Holland and returned to our school.

As you can imagine, this is a very precious artefact so please ensure that your children do not touch it.

Push Poppers/Toys

Children should not be bringing these items into school.

The Kindness Elves

Thank you to the Whitley Friends. More information can be found on our Facebook page.

Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Gray

