



Whitley News

11th September 2026



What a wonderful start we have had to the new academic year at Whitley Memorial! It has been fantastic to see how quickly all of our children have settled back into school life, embracing new classrooms, routines and expectations with such enthusiasm. There is already a real buzz around school, with classrooms full of purposeful learning, happy faces and children excited for the year ahead. We have been particularly proud of the resilience being shown in Years 4 and 6 during their maths learning. Children are challenging themselves and using resources when learning about place value and fractions.

It has also been lovely to see children beginning to visit our school library, exploring the shelves, choosing books and sharing their excitement about reading. We want our library to be a special part of school life this year and a place where children can discover new authors, new interests and whole new worlds.

We were also delighted to welcome Reverend Helen for our first worship of the academic year. Coming together again as a whole school gave us an important opportunity to reflect, reconnect and think about the community we want to build together this year.

Spirituality will continue to be at the heart of life at Whitley Memorial as we encourage our children to look in, out and up - looking in to understand ourselves, looking out to notice and care for others and looking up with awe, wonder and reflection.

School feels incredible at the moment – we could not have asked for a better beginning and are so excited for what promises to be a brilliant year ahead.

Mrs Roome

PE Days

Monday – Y1 and Y5

Tuesday – Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y6

Thursday – Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6

Friday – Y4 Swimming



UPCOMING EVENTS

Please remember all dates are subject to change and events may be added as the term goes on.

Date	Event
18.09.26	Shine Awards – Parents invited
20/09/26 – 23/09/26	Year 6 Newby Wiske/ PGL Residential
24/09/26	Reception Parents’ Phonics Meeting 2pm – 3pm 5pm
25/09/26	Macmillan Coffee Morning with children performances – Parents Invited
01/10/26	TTRS Day – information to follow
02/10/26	Shine Awards – Parents invited
08/10/26	Y6 Safety Works Visit
09/10/26	Shine Awards – Parents invited
15/10/26	Y6 Cross Country – St Benet Biscops
16/10/26	Out of School Achievements – Parents Invited
21/10/26	KS2 Recycling Workshop
23/10/26	Harvest Festival – St Cuthbert’s church

Year	Attendance
R	98.8%
1	86.7%
2	99.5%
3	92.5%
4	94.4%
5	93.8%
6	100%
Total	94.3%



Attendance Matters
Every student. Every day.



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Our Shine Award Stars!



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