



Cheetah Class Newsletter

Issue 1

Class Teacher

Firstly, I would like to thank all parents and carers for your engagement and support throughout the first 3 weeks. Whether this has been through consultations for Robinwood or completing and returning medical forms, the collaboration between school and home is super important, so I thank you for this.

What a 3 weeks it has been! We have settled in so well and I have already seen so many children make progress in many areas: academically, socially and personally. Year 6 is such an important year for many reasons, but to ensure we have children ready and equipped to take the next step to high school is crucial. We will continue to have visitors support us and opportunities for children to experience extra-curricular trips too.

Curriculum

Our school's expectations have been outlined this week to all children. We have been following the Whiston Willis Way, which includes walking around school and listening skills within classrooms. The manners I have heard each morning are amazing and show what polite children we have. As this is my first newsletter, I would like to emphasise important curriculum information:

Times Tables

Times Tables is such a crucial aspect of achieving a good understanding of the wider curriculum. Already, we have completed BIDMAS, which the children have never been taught before, and multiplication.

Understanding these processes is proving difficult for some children as their working memory is focusing on working out the Times Tables knowledge. With fluent recall, children will find the rest of the curriculum much easier. Every Friday, we complete a Times Table grid in 10 minutes. Children will bring these home to show you the progress they are making. Please encourage your child to be logging on to their TTRockstars accounts and be practising regularly.

Reading

Reading is the passport to everything! Again, it is a skill that is so important for the children and for the rest of their lives. Whether this is reading contracts when they seek employment, reading directions or simply reading for pleasure. I have informed the children that in Year 6, my expectation is that children read 1 book per week and quiz this book to show their understanding. If they do not do this, they will be given time on a Friday to read with me so I am able to monitor their understanding and progress.

For more information on what these topics contain, please go to Cheetah Class at www.whistonwillis.co.uk

Stars of the Week

13.09.24

Star of the Week – Freddie
Reader of the Week – Tallulah
Rights Respector – Mila
P.E. Champion – Oliver L

20.09.24

Star of the Week – Alice
Reader of the Week – Oliver D
Rights Respector – Nancie
P.E. Champion – Mikey

Important Information

P.E. Days – Tuesday and Friday
After-school clubs begin on Monday 23.09.24

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Thank you for your continued support
Miss Caldwell