



17<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of another successful year at Whiston Willis. The children have made so much progress and developed both academically and personally. The reports they received at the end of last week are a testament to their hard work and efforts across the year and we are really proud of them all.

On a wider school level we have achieved so well:

- The proportion of Reception children achieving a 'Good level of Development' above local and national figures. (73%)
- Proportion of Y1 pupils meeting the expected standards in phonics above local and national figures. (93%)
- End of Y2 attainment in line with national averages in reading, writing and maths.
- Y4 pupils achieving in line with national figures in the multiplication screening check.
- End of Y6 attainment in Reading (88%) and writing (84%) above national averages and in maths (76%) in line with national averages.
- The highest number of children 'graduating' at our Children's University ceremony for their commitment to after school clubs.
- Reaccreditation as an International School from the British Council.
- Rights Respecting School accreditation.
- National Online Safety certified school.
- Literacy Tree Flagship School status.
- Eco Schools Award accreditation.
- Highly positive Ofsted report.
- Ongoing building work and developments to improve our school site.

We are really proud of all we have achieved this year as a school but we are not standing still and will be striving to improve again next year in all areas of our work we will be focusing on attendance, oracy, SEND provision and developing wider leadership and management as our key priorities next year. We will share how you can help and support us with things in September.

#### **UNIFORM:**

Please note that we now have available a PE hoody for PE days that we recommend instead of wearing a normal school jumper. Maybe buy one of each instead of two jumpers this year. Reminder that PE kit must be either school PE kit or a plain white round neck t shirt.

We do have a lot of spare 'near perfect' school jumpers and cardigans in school free to a good home if anyone would like to have one or two. Call in to the office any weekday between 8am and 2pm from 31<sup>st</sup> July and they will be available to take on a table in the front entrance.

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# WHISTON WILLIS PRIMARY ACADEMY

## School Day: REMINDER!

**The school day next year will start at 8:40am and end at 3:10pm for all classes except nursery.**

Gates onto the school site will open at 8:35am and children will be able to enter the classrooms at 8:40am for an immediate start to the day. The school gates will close at 8:45am and any arrivals after this time will need to enter through the main entrance.

On the first day of school in September, there will be staff outside to direct any children and their parents to the new classrooms.

As a rough guide,

Class	Road Access	Entrance/Exit to school
Nursery	Enter through Milton Avenue gate	Nursery classroom door.
Reception	Enter through either Milton Ave and follow the path to the black metal gates or enter through Weyman Ave and walk down the steps on the right to the black gates.	Black gates
Tiger Class	Enter through Milton Ave, through the wooden gates on the right	Classroom door
Jaguar Class	Enter through either Milton Ave and follow the path to the first classroom entrance or enter through Weyman Ave and walk down the steps on the right to classroom	Classroom door
Pangolin Class	Enter through either Milton Ave and follow the path to the back of the school building and enter through the hall door entrance or enter through Weyman Ave and walk down the steps on the right to the hall entrance at the back of the infant building.	Hall door entrance
Hummingbird Class	Enter through either Milton Ave and follow the path to the back of the school building to the last classroom door (grey) or enter through Weyman Ave and walk down the steps on the right to the last classroom door (grey)	Grey classroom door
Zebra Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the front of the school.	Classroom door
Penguin Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the front of the school.	Main doors
Shark Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the front of the school.	Main doors
Lion Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the front of the school.	Main doors
Koala Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the rear of the school.	External doors at the rear of the upper building
Wolf Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the rear of the school.	External doors at the rear of the upper building
Cheetah Class	Enter through the gate on Weyman Avenue and onto the playground at the rear of the school.	External doors at the rear of the upper building





## **NURSERY 30 HOUR OFFER:**

I am aware that information has been shared with you regarding eligibility for 30 hour provision and the requirements needed from parents to access this offer in addition to the nursery staff sharing the timings of the day for children accessing our 30 hour offer.

For lunchtime, the children will have the opportunity to go home and return in the afternoon, stay at school lunch (£3 per day to cover staffing required). The children will need to bring their own packed lunch if you choose for them to stay at school. This must be paid via parent pay and we will withdraw the offer of staying at lunchtime should payments not be kept up to date.

We are willing to offer breakfast club. (Butterflies) for children accessing 30 hour provision but in the first instance we will not be offering after school provision for them.

This will be at an extra cost and must be prebooked via the school office.

## **CONTACT:**

If you do have any questions over the holiday, please note that the school office is open between 7am-2pm every weekday from Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July. Please do not expect staff to monitor their school email or Twitter accounts over the summer break and all communication should be made through the school office via telephone or through the school email account. We will endeavour to respond as quickly as possible to email.

I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support over the school year and hope you all have a lovely summer break.

Kind regards

Ian Cooper