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December

There will be no more Family Assemblies this year now.

Mon 18th—3.15-5pm FOWS Christmas Movie Night

Thurs 21st—Christmas Dinner, break up for Christmas!

Children can wear a Christmas jumper with their uniform if they wish.

Friday 22nd—Inset Day - School closed to Pupils

Christmas Holiday Monday 25th—Friday 5th January

January

Mon 8th—School opens for the Spring Term

Fri 15th—Reception 2024 application deadline

February

Mon 19th - Half term holiday

Mon 26th —Inset Day - School closed to Pupils

Tues 27th School reopens

March

Thurs 28th Last day of the Spring term

Stay and Learn will resume after Christmas

New Feature Coming To Points

We will soon be introducing our new and innovative Points feature: "Ask me about..."

We know that children solidify their understanding through repeated recall of information. Therefore, each week we will share with you a question to ask pupils in each class, or sometimes year group. The children will then be prompted to share their new knowledge with you, transforming learning into more of a dynamic, visible experience. This enjoyable activity not only strengthens the parent-child bond but also provides your child with additional chances to recall and reinforce their learning, fostering deeper understanding and keeps our parents and families up to speed with some of the many learning opportunities your children have with us. Please join in from January!

Whole School Christmas Play

Our recent production showcased the incredible talent of our children, who delivered stellar performances on stage. Beyond the applause, the educational benefits were profound. Engaging in a play fosters character development by instilling confidence, teamwork, and communication skills. Performing to an audience hones public speaking abilities and cultivates resilience. The inclusion of singing further enhances their emotional expression and creativity. Witnessing the growth in these young performers was not only entertaining but also a testament to the invaluable educational experience provided through the arts. The CEO of our Trust had heard such great things about our performances, that he even came along to the afternoon show and was blown away!

FoWS Christmas Raffle

FoWS are very excited to launch our 2023 Christmas raffle! Priced at just £1, tickets will be sent home on Monday, and we thank you in advance for selling these and returning monies and completed stubs to school.

Full details of the amazing raffle prizes will be revealed via our new Facebook page (scan the QR code to find us), but here is a sneak peak at the companies who have so kindly donated prizes. From luxury hampers to vouchers, thrilling days out to food and drink, we have prizes for everyone.

Every penny raised goes back to support our school, so please do ask us for more tickets for family and friends!



Please return your raffle tickets by next Thursday

Bonus Ball Lottery

Results the last few weeks

11/11/2023	32	ROLLOVER
15/11/2023	4	ROLLOVER

25/11/2023	49	Dawn Addison	£25
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29/11/2023	13	Charlotte Pitchford	£25
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FOWS Christmas Movie Night

Monday 18th December

At the School

3:15pm - 5pm

£4 for snacks and refreshments

Please pay via parent pay



This week, the National Crime Agency (NCA) expressed deep concern over Meta's decision to implement end-to-end encryption on Facebook Messenger, hindering efforts to protect children from sexual abuse. James Babbage, Director General for Threats, deemed this move disappointing, emphasising Meta's crucial responsibility for child safety. He alleges that the encryption impedes law enforcement's ability to identify and report child sexual abuse.

The NCA estimates that if Meta continues to roll out end-to-end encryption as planned, it would result in the loss of the vast majority of reports (92% from Facebook and 85% from Instagram) of detected child abuse that are currently disseminated to UK police each year.

It is therefore more vital than ever that you do not let your child access apps that are not appropriate for their age. Please ensure that you know who your child is talking to and what they are doing online. Technology can be very useful, but it can also present a very significant risk if you do not exercise your parental responsibilities.

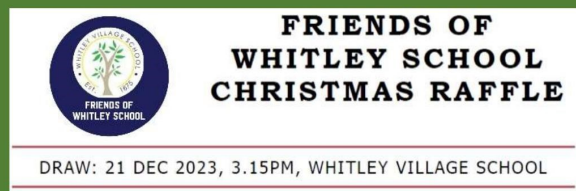


SchoolSpider

We are excited to announce that from January 2024 we will start to use School Spider for our payment items and communication with parents at which point we will cease to use ParentPay.

You may already be familiar with School Spider from the Parents' Evening booking process.

The integration of School Spider will take place next week, after which user details and a parent guide will be shared with you, we have been assured that onboarding for families is a very simple process



Only £1 per ticket!

