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DATES

2025 –2026

September

Tues 16th Weaverham High School Open day. (See page 2)

Mon 15th Extra Curricular Clubs will start this week (Letter to follow)

October

Wed 15th Parent/ Guardian Evenings, Classes 1, 2, & 3

Thurs 16th Parent/ Guardian Evenings, Classes 1, 2, & 3

Mon 27th - Start of Half-term week

November

Nov 3rd - School opens for 2nd half of the Autumn Term

December

Wed 10th - NHS Flu Immunisations - details to follow

Thu 11th - Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm

Wed 17th - Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day.

Fri 19th—Last day of the Autumn Term

January

Mon 5th—First day of the Spring Term

Term Dates Available on School Website

2025 –2026 —[Click here](#)

Please ensure holidays are booked outside of term times.

2026 Residentials

Y2 & Y3 Tattenhall Residential - Tues 30th—Wed 1st July.

Y4 London Residential - March 24th - March 25th

Y6 Min-Y-Don Residential - Mon 6th July—Friday 10th July

Details to follow

How Parents and Guardian Evenings Work at Whitley?

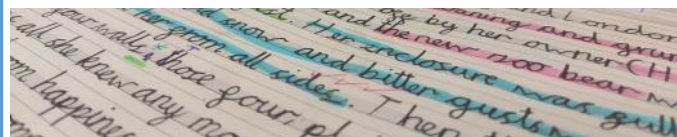
We're looking forward to our upcoming parents and guardian evenings for the 2025-2026 school year. These meetings are a great opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress with their teacher and ensure they're settling in well.

Here are the key dates for each class:

- **Classes 1, 2, & 3:** October 15h & 16th, 2025
- **Reception & Year 6:** March 4th 2026
- **Years 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5:** June 24th & 25th 2026

Even if you don't have a scheduled parents evening, we invite all families to come in for a **book look** on these dates. This is an informal opportunity to review your child's work and give them positive feedback. You don't need an appointment for this.

Appointment booking information will be sent out via the School Spider app closer to the dates. As always, please feel free to reach out to your child's teacher at any time if you have any questions or concerns. We value our partnership with you in helping your child reach their full potential.



Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am delighted to be writing to you as the new Headteacher of Whitley Village School. Having previously served as Head of School under the exceptional leadership of Executive Headteacher Mrs. Broom, I have a deep appreciation for our community. While it felt strange after three decades not to begin the first day of school with a new class, it was truly exciting to be able to move around the school and welcome each child back.

My journey to Whitley began in Hamilton, Bermuda. I came to the UK to further my studies before teaching in British Forces schools, primarily in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany. These international experiences have always inspired me to ensure our small, rural school remains outward-looking and connected to the wider world. We believe in blending the best of our traditions with a global perspective, preparing our pupils to become adults who will go on to change the world. This passion drives our staff to provide an education where children master essential skills and are prepared educationally, emotionally, and socially to engage with their culture.

The government is set to publish its curriculum review soon, which will pave the way for a new curriculum to transition from the 2014 framework. We are committed to building on the achievements of the past decade and ensuring Whitley is the best it can be as we prepare for these changes. As part of this process, we will also seek your input.

As we move into this new academic year, we sincerely hope you will continue to partner with us in helping your child reach their full potential. We want every child to feel a sense of belonging at Whitley, and we want you to feel part of this wonderful community too.

Best wishes,

Mr David

Friends of Whitley School (FoWS)

Lottery

The lottery lets us raise much-needed funds for school to help pay for Athletics, coaches for trips, furniture etc.

It costs just £8 a month for 2 draws per week. If your number pops up, you win £25. If there was no winner the week before you win. If you would like a number and to help support school,

Please contact Hayley Woodward on 07740043151 or littlhayjay@gmail.com

12/07/2025 14 ROLLOVER
16/07/2025 56 ROLLOVER

Help Needed!

We're looking for new members to join the **Friends of Whitley Village School (FoWS)**, our dedicated group of parent volunteers needs at least 5 members to function. This incredible team has been instrumental in our school community, and their fundraising efforts have made a huge difference. As some of our core members are moving on, we're seeking new parents to step up and help. Whether you can lend a hand at a single event or join the main committee, your support is invaluable. The group is well-organised and welcoming, so please don't hesitate to get involved, even if you've never done anything like this before. We would love to have a strong representation from all classes to ensure FoWS continues to thrive. If you're interested in making a real impact on our school community, please reach out to the school office for more information or contact Mr David.

If you are interested in finding out more about the group they are having a meeting at [The Riverside Restaurant](#), at 7pm on the 19th of September.

Many hands make light work!



School Holiday Dates 2025/26

September 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
36	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
37	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
38	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
39	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
40	29	30					

October 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
40			1	2	3	4	5
41	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
42	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
43	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
44	27	28	29	30	31		

November 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
44						1	2
45	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
46	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
47	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
48	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2025							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
49	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
50	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
51	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
52	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
1	29	30	31				

January 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
1				1	2	3	4
2	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
4	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
5	26	27	28	29	30	31	

February 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
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8	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
9	23	24	25	26	27	28	

March 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
9							1
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11	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
13	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
14	30	31					

April 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
14			1	2	3	4	5
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17	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
18	27	28	29	30			

May 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
18					1	2	3
19	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
20	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
21	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
22	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

June 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
23	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
24	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
25	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
26	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
27	29	30					

July 2026							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27			1	2	3	4	5
28	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
29	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
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 School Holidays
 Bank Holidays
 Inset Days

Bank Holidays 2025/26 UK

25 August '25	August Bank Holiday	26 December '25	Boxing Day	3 April '26	Good Friday	4 May '26	Early May Bank Holiday
25 December '25	Christmas Day	1 January '26	New Year's Day	6 April '26	Easter Monday	25 May '26	Spring Bank Holiday

Please ensure that you do not book any holidays during term time, as any request for absence will not be authorised. The attendance newsletter sent to each parent provides further details. Please ensure that you carefully consider the 10 sessions in a 10-week rule change and the three-year rolling window of each stage of the Government's attendance laws.



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4th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

I very much appreciate having the opportunity to write to you in connection with transfer to secondary education. This is a time when you and your child will be exploring the options available to you and happily for parents in this area, there are good schools to choose from. I would like to extend a warm invitation to find out more about Weaverham High School as you make this important decision.

We are holding our Open Evening for Prospective Parents and Pupils on Tuesday 16th September from 4pm -7.30pm. Headteacher's presentations will take place at **4.10pm and then repeated at 5.30pm and 6.30pm**. This occasion has been specifically designed for you and your child to gain an insight into our school. All teaching staff will be present and I know they will be pleased to meet you and discuss any points you may wish to raise.

A copy of our prospectus can be found on the school website <https://www.weaverhamhighschool.com/information/prospectus/> which I hope you will find helpful especially those of you who have had little or no previous contact with us. You will see that we have excellent facilities and resources for the teaching of all subjects. We would very much like the opportunity for our Ambassadors to show you around the school they are so proud to attend.

We believe that Weaverham High School has a well known and well deserved reputation, not only for academic excellence and superb pastoral support but for the enrichment opportunities that are a crucial part of life at our school. Approximately half of our pupils are *out-of-zone* which perhaps provides some evidence of this. I have no doubt there will be a number of pupils from your area who can tell you about us. However, there is not substitute for seeing the school for yourself.

Please choose one of the options below to read all about our exams results this year

[Read a about our results](#)

I hope we shall have the pleasure of meeting you and sharing with you the vision we have to ensure your child thrives as they embark on their journey to secondary school.

Yours sincerely

Clare Mogan
Headteacher



Homework

Please continue to partner with us and help make this term even better for your child

Spellings

Spellings will be set on Spelling Shed each week. Spellings will be practised in spelling lessons each week and it would be beneficial for children to supplement this learning using Spelling Shed at home. Personalised spelling lists for Reception —Y6 will also be available to access each week on the Spelling Shed website through your child's login. We expect children to log into spelling shed at least three times per week. Spelling Shed allows us to carefully track your child's progress and ensure they maximise the opportunity to develop this aspect of their learning. Research suggests that the App has a very positive impact on the improvement of spelling.

Reading

We would encourage parents/carers to **read with your child as often as possible at home**. We expect this to be a **minimum of four times per week**. Reading books will continue to be sent home next term along with the blue reading record. Please keep a record of the reading taking place at home as much as you possibly can. Children will either be given a phonetically decodable book or an Accelerated Reader book, the level of which will be in the form of a range of numbers. Children who are on the Accelerated Reader scheme will be able to complete quizzes which assess their comprehension skills each time they complete their book. If you require any further information please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher, before or after school.

Maths

'Mathletics' is a website based maths resource and the activities are linked to the national curriculum objectives for your child's year group. You will have received your child's username and password inside their reading diary. For children in Year 2 and above, we will set additional tasks on Times Table Rock Stars.

	Reading	Spelling Shed	Mathletics	Times Tables Rock Stars
Reception	At least 4 times per week Read words in Yellow word book and record.	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments. Spelling Shed activities will be set once we have started to teach phonics.	Complete a Mathletics task (one task)	
Year 1	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments.	Complete a Mathletics task (one task)	
Year 2	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 multiplication tables, including recognising odd and even numbers. At least once per week.
Year 3	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use the multiplication facts for the 3, 4 and 8 multiplication tables. At least once per week.
Year 4	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Recall and use multiplication facts for multiplication tables up to 12 x 12. At least once per week. (Y4 Government Multiplication Check in Summer)
Year 5	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Revision of all multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12. At least once per week.
Year 6	At least 4 times per week	Login into spelling shed at least three times per week and complete the assignments (easy, medium and hard).	Complete a Mathletics task (two tasks)	Revision of all multiplication and division facts up to 12 x 12. At least once per week.

For children in Years 4—6 they will also have a longer task set on a half termly basis. This will link to a topic studied in class.



<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb>



<https://login.mathletics.com/>



<https://trockstars.com/>



Class Rewards

This year, we have decided to change the Dojo reward system so that we can promote a more collegiate approach to foster a collective ethos in each class towards a common goal. This poster details the route map to the rewards that each class can earn.



ClassDojo

**20,000 Dojos:
Fun Day**

**10,000 Dojos:
1 hour of games
of your choice**

**5000 Dojos:
Non-uniform
day**

**2000 Dojos:
A tasty treat**

**1000 Dojos:
10 minutes extra
play**

**500 Dojos:
5 minutes
extra play**

