




WHAT'S ON

FRIDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2019

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DIARY DATES

ALL CLUBS ON NEXT WEEK!

TUE 1ST OCT, 9.10 – 12.30PM

Squirrels Picnic & Play

WED 2ND OCT, 9.10 – 12.30PM

Foxes Picnic & Play

TUE 8TH OCT, AM

School Photos

TUE 8TH OCT, 7PM

Hub Fundraiser at Indian Nights

WED 9TH OCT, 10AM

Y1 & Y2 Harvest Festival, All Saints Church

THU 10TH OCT

World Mental Health Day
#HelloYellow

SCHOOL LUNCH

Next week's lunch will be

[Week 2 – click for details.](#)

SHOOTING STARS!

NATALIA for amazing effort & enthusiasm in all her work!



ETHAN for his super effort & perseverance, even when he was feeling unwell!

TIANA for trying really hard in guided reading!



SAM for his amazing creature artwork!

JAMIE B for fantastic sorting in Maths!



AVA for being an amazing role model in class!

JESSICA I for great Geography work!



AMY G for always being polite!

BENJI for lovely listening skills!



MESSAGE FROM MRS CASTELL

The children continue to settle well and we are so lucky with the new members of our team who are real assets to the school. We had a special 3PR assembly on Tuesday to remind our children about road safety and considerate parking around the school site. Forest Schools has begun in earnest and we had a lovely Macmillan Coffee Morning today. Thanks to everyone who supported the event, we raised an amazing £350!

We have a safeguarding responsibility to chase up on any children who have not arrived in school. This week our office have had to make a lot of calls to parents, so please let us know by 9.15am if your child will be absent. If you have an urgent message during the school day, please call the school rather than emailing, as we may not always see the message in good time. Can we also ask you to check the times the clubs finish – staff who have given up their time to run a club need to continue with their work after the club has finished, so prompt collection is much appreciated.

We are always grateful to our wonderful team of volunteers, including parents, grandparents, family and friends of the school. If you would like to volunteer please speak to the school office. You will need to have a DBS check before starting.

This week I had the pleasure of meeting with Liz Morris and Chantelle Mangion, the chairs of our parents association, WISPA. My thanks go to our new volunteers for the WISPA committee and to the existing members who did so much last year. We discussed our "dream list" including money for social and emotional support training, a book shed for mental health and well-being support, new board games for every class to develop children's memory skills and a wish list from each class!

Next week we look forward to seeing Squirrels and Foxes parents at our Picnic and Play sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. Tickets are still on sale for our Health & Happiness Hub fundraiser at Indian Nights on Tuesday 8th October – please call in at the office for details. Do check our website for the most up to date list of upcoming school events – a list of dates for the coming year has also been sent home.

We always like feedback on things we do well and also future steps. Please contact me on parents@writtle-inf.essex.sch.uk or see me on the playground.

We have vacancies for three parent governors, two to start now and one to start in November. Please hand in your nomination by Friday 11th October. Spare forms are available at the office.

Have a lovely weekend.

YEAR 2 NEWS

Wow, we've had a very busy week in Year 2! Our guided reading focus this week has been Sequencing Suki. The children looked at different texts and ordered events, working out what came first or last in the story and matching different events to the time of day they happened.



UNA for fabulous role play with friends!

POPPY for being polite & helping her friends!



LAYLA for working hard with Mrs. Theo & being sensible at school!

READERS OF THE WEEK!



LACEY-MAE, HARLEY, ETHAN FRA & ADORA!

COMMUNITY LINKS

PHYSICSFEST is a Science Fun Day for all the family at Great Baddow High School on Sunday 20th October from 1 – 4pm. Lots of interactive physics demonstrations, activities and talks for all ages. We have free tickets available in the school office, just pop in and collect them.

FARLEIGH HOSPICE in Writtle have lots of children's books available to buy for 25p and 50p each. Some are brand new, so please take a look!

3RD WRITBLE BROWNIES have spaces from September, for girls aged 7-10. If you'd like to find out more about Brownies please have a look at the [Girlguiding website](#). To meet us for a free trial session please contact Ellen Auty on 0750 122 1794.

We started a new Maths unit on addition and subtraction skills this week. The children have been finding number fact families and looking at the inverse relationship between addition and subtraction.

The children have become budding artists this week, looking at the artist Paul Klee. They created portraits, using tints in the style of Paul Klee. Thank you for sending in lots of different fruits. We had lots of fun chopping them up and eating our healthy fruit kebabs!

[Home learning and spellings are published on our website.](#)

YEAR 1 NEWS

This week we have continued to develop our Kung-Fu Punctuation skills by writing about our weekend. In Maths we've been counting one more or one less than given numbers. We have also been grouping items by colour, size and shape. We have looked at some work of Picasso and used colour to display different emotions in our artwork. We looked at where we live, compared the similarities and differences to Edinburgh. We have continued to develop our balancing and travelling skills as a variety of animals in PE.

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FOUNDATION STAGE NEWS

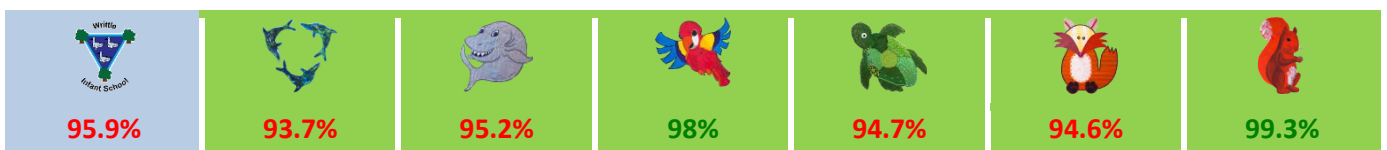
What a rainy week! However, the children have absolutely loved playing outside and embracing the rain! Please ensure your child has a change of clothes on their peg in case they are wet or too muddy. Even when they wear wellies or a mac, they still manage to get soaked! We've been teaching the children how to put on their wellies one at a time, so that they don't put their feet on the wet floor! They're also trying to put on their coats by themselves and zip them up. We'd be grateful if you could practise this at home. Children also find it hard when one or both arms are inside out and they aren't sure what to do.

We look forward to seeing you all next week for Picnic & Play!

NOTICES

- ★ **Please save any "Get Set" stickers from Aldi for us!** If we collect over 300, we can enter their competition where 20 schools will win £20,000 each to create a health legacy. Stickers are issued when you spend over £30, if they don't give them to you please ask!
- ★ **Can you please ensure that all items of uniform are labelled, including coats and shoes.** We have had lots of lost property already this term.
- ★ **Our Songs That Make Us Smile CDs are still available!** Priced at £6 each or 2 for £10, the songs were recorded last term by children and staff at the school to raise money for our Health & Happiness Hub. Please collect your copy from the office.
- ★ We would be hugely grateful if you could **sign up to the Easyfundraising app**, which raises money for the school (at no cost to you) through your online shopping.

ATTENDANCE (Target 97%)



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