

St White's Primary School

Always Learning!



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Welcome to the newsletter at the end of our first Summer Half Term – it has flown by!

Happy birthday to our pupils and staff who have celebrated or will have their birthdays in May – Gaddiel, Freddie B, Alfie-Joe, Lilian, Lawrence, Charlie W, Lyra, Willow-Grace, Quinn, Leo S,



Winston, Marley J, Aiden & Jonah, Lacey, George W, Clark, Nate, Matthew, Melody B, Finley, Eli, Oscar R, Rory Sk, Libby, Jessica B, George G, Caterien, Emily T, Mrs Jones, Mrs Saddington, Mr Hayward and Miss Thompson.

Year 6 SATS – well done to all our Year 6 pupils who worked so hard on their SATS this month – and a big thank you to Mr Jones, Mr Hayward and all the staff who helped to prepare and support them. They had a fabulous celebration on the Thursday afternoon, and now look resplendent in their Leavers Hoodies!



Diary Dates

2nd June – school starts

2nd – 13th June - Year 4 multiplication tests

5th June – Aspirations Day

9th – 13th June – Year 1 Phonics Screening Checks

12th June – Robin Class Barry Island Trip

25th – 27th June – Year 4 Residential to Wilderness

8th July – Sports Day – KS2 am, KS1 & EYFS pm

10th July – Bump Up Afternoon

16 & 17 July – Year 6 Leavers Play Performances

18th July – Last Day of Term – Leavers Assembly

VE Day – thank you to the staff who decorated the school to commemorate the 80th anniversary of VE Day. Lots of classes did work about the end



of World War II and KS1 children created postcards which have been posted to veterans organisations!

Robin Class watched footage of the fly past on the Mall at the VE Commemorations in London and made their own "red arrows" display team – see their page on the website for a video of their flight! <https://padlet.com/MrBrown22/robin-class-experiences-8ry46rq0jzwwksdrc>

Robin Class decided to go somewhere different for their walk in the woods just before Easter. They went to Linear Park and saw lots of interesting wildlife including a heron. They also had an Easter Egg Hunt! A big thank you to all the parents who came along to help.



In preparation for their trip to the seaside next term, Robin had a beach party at school on a



lovely sunny Friday afternoon! There were games and snacks, and everyone had great fun!



Now that the design has been finished, Miss Marshall will apply a top coat of varnish and then he will be handed over to take his place on the trail! Once we have information about his location we will let everyone know!

Lions at Large – We have been working hard this term painting our wonderful Lion for the Lions at Large Trail! Lots of the children have been able to help with painting the design and every child and adult in the school has added their fingerprint to create the spotty design round the legs.



We also want to say another big thank you to Megabounce who provided the bouncy castle free of charge last term so we could raise so much money. We promised them we would let you know about their Inflatable Mega Park at Symonds Yat every weekend until July!

MEGABOUNCE
INFLATABLE MEGA PARK
 *Weather permitting

CHILDREN aged 2 to 14 ONLY
 FREE ENTRY for accompanying ADULTS
 HOT FOOD & REFRESHMENTS available on-site
 STRICTLY NO OVER 14's allowed on the equipment
Fun Fair rides (all rides only accept tokens purchased at the entrance) for example the Trampolines, Fun House & Swings

ALL DAY UNLIMITED USE WRISTBAND
 BUY WRISTBANDS ON THE GATE - CASH & CARD PAYMENTS £10 PER CHILD

SYMONDS YAT WEST
LEISURE & HOLIDAY PARK
EVERY WEEKEND UNTIL JULY
 OPEN DAILY FROM 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Sparrow Class have continued their hard work on their project including making posters, planning scavenger hunts, and lots of work about trees. Because of their efforts, St White's has now received the GOLD AWARD from the Woodland Trust! We are really proud to be able to include this on our letterhead! Well done to Miss Underwood and all the children in Sparrow Class!



Cinderford Arts Festival We were delighted to be invited to take part in a fantastic art project for our Year 5 pupils to make banners for the Cinderford Arts Festival, and to take part in the parade on Saturday 17th May! We made our banners using a technique called batik, which involves using hot wax to mark out a pattern or picture on fabric, painting it with colours and then removing the wax. It was great fun to work on and an amazing experience for our children to join in the parade!



Sports Competitions – A group of our Year 6 pupils had a fabulous trip to try out archery – Connor wrote this report: *On the 30th of April, 2025, 6 year six's set out of school to do archery. Our school's team learnt how to shoot bows and arrows. In total, we won... 140 points: beating the other three teams in our 4 team group. However we are still awaiting if we actually won because other teams competed in their own groups. We are still proud of how many points we won.*



On 2nd May Mr Cassidy took a group of Year 3 & 4 children to a football tournament at Five Acres. Both teams showed excellent sportsmanship and played really good football, only conceding two goals in the whole tournament! Well done everyone.



Cooking – there have been wonderful smells from LKS2 making yoghurt and banana biscuits, and KS1 making cinnamon toast crunch!



Fired-Up Some lucky Year 5/6 pupils (and Erica!) were selected to participate in a Fired-Up course with the Cinderford Fire station this week. Skills learned included fire safety and first aid. Pupils and Erica were given their own kit to wear while participating in drills. The sessions

were finished off with a massive water fight with the fire hoses!



Valuable information and life skills were learned- what a wonderful 3 days! We may have some future firefighters on our hands!!

Pupil Achievements! We always love it when you share with us the exciting things that children participate in outside of school!

George from Woodpecker Class travelled all the way to Skegness with his football team (Broadwell Blues U9s). The team played really well and were chosen by the other teams to win the Fair Play Award. Professional footballer Marc Albrighton joined them for the presentation evening.



Policies

We have recently updated our school uniform, outdoor learning, first aid and healthy eating policies. They can all be found on the school website.

Izzy from Woodpecker Class has started her minimoto racing career! She competed in her first race meeting in April and will be travelling all over the country to compete!



Next Newsletter – Our next newsletter will be published on 27th June 2025. If there are any achievements or any other celebrations you want to share with everyone, we will be very pleased to feature your child in the next newsletter. Please email admin@st-whites.gloucs.sch.uk by Monday 23rd June 2025.