

St White's Primary School

Always Learning!



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Welcome to our newsletter at the end of our first very busy half term. We hope everyone has a restful half term break, and look forward to seeing everyone back for a really busy term in the run up to Christmas!

Happy birthday to our pupils and staff who have celebrated or will have their birthdays in October: Roman, Mia G, Bertie, Oscar T, Zac, Harmony-Grace, Violet W, Lorna, Kleo, Ayana, Zayn, Oliver P, Watson, Teegan,



Arla, Lotty, Rudy, Archie T, Tobylee, Dexter J, Junior, Daisy, Tyler-James, Archie M, Charlie D, Josephine, Theo E, Evie-May, Dela, Miss Bruce, Miss Cinderey and Mrs Webster

New Arrivals! We are really thrilled to introduce to the two newest members of the St White's Family! Mrs Clayton's little boy Felix arrived at the end of September.



Diary Dates

Mon 4th Nov – School starts
Tues 5th Nov – Woodpecker Class Sponsored Walk
Fri 8th Nov – Armistice Assembly 9am
Fri 8th Nov – PTFA Bingo Night 6pm
Mon 11th Nov – Times Tables Workshops for parents
Weds 20th Nov – Puzzlewood trip LKS2
Thurs 21st Nov – Open Day for Sept 25 Intake

Miss Ross's little girl Luna arrived earlier this month. Huge congratulations to them both! Mums and babies are doing really well!



Class Cookery The wonderful smell of the apple cake in UKS2 lessons has now been replaced with the equally wonderful smell of carrot and lentil soup for LKS2. It is really delicious! A huge thank you to Mrs



Heyworth for helping with the class cooking, and for running the cookery club on Friday lunch times.

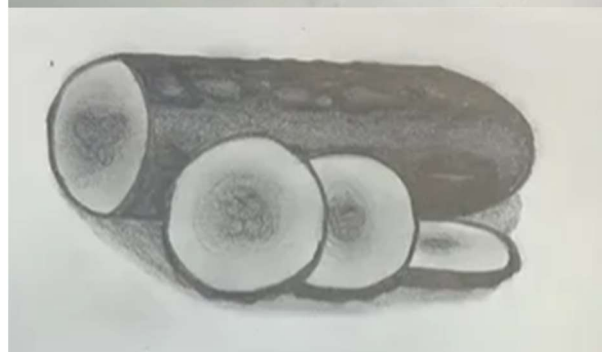




which were on display for parents for harvest



festival, some classes have been working with clay, particularly trying to create the texture of dragon skin!



Art – We have some amazing artists at St White's



and we were really excited to have a visit from Sian Gibbs on our art day last week. All the classes were busy creating their harvest artwork, and

she visited each class to see what the children were up to! As well as our sketches and drawings

Harvest Festival - Thank you to all the parents who donated items of food for the food bank,

and purchased your children's harvest artwork. We raised an amazing £130 for the food bank.



Cheltenham Literature Festival – Lots of classes had a lovely time at the Cheltenham Literature Festival this term. We met some very famous authors, and had great fun in the costume department!



Robin Woodland Walk - a big thank you to all the parents who came along on our first walk in the woods! We had a lovely time splashing in the puddles and found some amazing wildlife!





Forest School and Allotment



Kingfisher class have been having a fabulous time in their outdoor learning sessions this term. They went on a bug hunt and found lots of interesting creatures! This

week they were joined by Mr Brown and had a bonfire & toasted marshmallows! Yummy.

Lots of classes have had a turn helping on the school allotment with Mrs Self. The strawberry plants have been tidied up and re-potted and there has been lots of weeding and tidying up.



Robin Class made some beautiful crowns with flowers and foliage.



LKS2 Science – Jay, Swift and Skylark have been learning about sound in science. They have been doing lots of experiments!



KS1 Castles Topic – Kingfisher, Nightingale and Sparrow Classes have been learning all about

castles this term. We have had lots of amazing models brought in to show. This week they have



been on a trip to Berkeley Castle and had an amazing time.



Mini Police Some of our Year 5 pupils are participating in the mini police scheme – they are having a great time learning about the uniforms and equipment!



Aberdovey Year 6 Residential – our intrepid



Year 6 pupils will be on their way home now after a fabulous week at Aberdovey. A huge thank you to Miss Cinderey, Mr Jones and Mr Hayward for accompanying them. There are lots of pictures and videos of their



adventures on the school website – here are just a few!!!





Sports Competitions – it has been an incredibly busy half term for sporting competitions – we have sent teams to compete in netball, hockey, cross country and football! Well done to everyone who has competed for their sportsmanship!



Photography Competition – over the half term holiday, please go out and about and take photographs of Autumn Wonders! This competition is open to children and parents/carers. Please send your entries to photographiccompetition@st-whites.gloucs.sch.uk by 6th November 2024.

Thank You – all the staff want to say a huge thank you to all the parents who support the school by volunteering to help in school, on trips and with transport to sporting competitions. We really couldn't do it without you!

Half Term Holiday Activities – we have sent through lots of flyers for half term activities in the area, and Miss Underwood our Science Lead has another suggestion if you are out and about. Wildlife Watch have a fabulous website with lots of activities, including hunting for signs of wildlife, making bug hotels and guides to identify animals, birds and leaves ! [Activities | Wildlife Watch](#)



COMMUNITY BREAKFAST CLUB

FREE... Breakfast BINGO
Lunch Pack for Children / Young People

St Stephen's Church
Belle Vue Rd, Cinderford, GL14 2AA
9.30 am - 11.30 am
Tuesday 22 & 29 October

ALL welcome!!
Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times
Any questions, email Rachel (rachel@cinderford-churches.org.uk)

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S PLAY RANGERS

October Half Term
The Recreation Ground,
Ruspidge, GL14 3AE
10am - 4pm
Tuesday 29th October

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With thanks to Cllr Morgan who funded this session with Build Back Better Funding



Get ready to party at our annual Halloween disco!!!

HALLOWEEN

26th October 2024
6pm-8pm Dick Whittington Park, GL17 0PH

BEST DRESSED PRIZES TO BE WON

£10 a child Booking essential, ticket includes entry, disco, party bag and a choice of hotdog or tomato pasta

info@dickwhittingtonpark.co.uk 01452 831000



halloween disco
30TH OCT
5PM TO 7PM

FREE ENTRY

THE WESLEY
BELLE VUE RD, CINDERFORD

WEDNESDAY 30TH OCTOBER
5PM TO 7PM

KSTANDKS2
PARENTS PLEASE STAY WITH YOUR CHILDREN



Ruspidge Memorial Hall
Free Indoor Half Term Children's Activity
Wednesday 30th October
2.30 – 4pm

Make a Mug Bug Hotel with Gloucester Wildlife Trust's Do One Thing Project. Decorate your 'hotel' and then take it home for insects in your garden to use. There will also be a puzzle trail. Adults must be with their children. Suitable for young people over the age of 5. Numbers are limited - book by emailing Nicky on ruspidge.secretary@gmail.com by 25th October

Next Newsletter – Our next newsletter will be published on 29th November 2024. 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 25th November 2024.