

St White's Primary School

Challenge Commit Conquer and Celebrate



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Welcome to our first newsletter of 2024! It has been a very short half term, but there is always a lot going on in school!

Happy birthday to our pupils and staff who have (or will) celebrate birthdays in January and February:



Emily S, Lilly-Hanna
Violet-Belle, Luana, Dylan
Jai-Jai, Melina, Jenson
Joshua V, Harrison, Robbie

Leiah, Alister, Emily C, Jacob, Amber & Oliver, Lily, Niall, James, Johan, Benjamin, Olivia, Isla-Faith Azaan, Elsie, Henry H, Chanse, Angelo, Tobias, Chester, Eva, Cooper, Arthur, Georgia, Rosie Hattie-Mae, Noah S, Henry N, Harry W, Evie M, Mrs Brain, Miss Marshall, Miss Medhurst, Mrs Reynolds, Mrs Rice and Ms Ruck.

Road Safety – Woodpecker class have been doing lots of work on road safety this term. They monitored traffic speed on St White's Road with the police, and there was a full page spread on their work in the Forest Review!

Children focus on road safety



St White's pupils with PCOs Terry Dillmore (left) and Peter Van Albin

Diary Dates

February

12th – 16th Half Term
Monday 19th School Starts

March

Thursday 7th – World Book Day
Friday 8th – Tues 12th Scholastic Book Fair
11th & 15th Talent Show Heats
14th March – Robin Class Farm Trip
21st Talent Show Final
25th March – 5th April – Easter Holidays

They also presented assemblies on road safety to other classes. Well done Woodpecker we are very proud of you.



Adult Education – Confidence & Wellbeing

We are really pleased to be hosting this 5 week course for parents on Tuesday mornings from 20th February – 19th March. Learn how to build self-confidence with easy to use methods. Learn how to be more assertive, develop communication skills, understand body language and behaviour

patterns, set goals and use affirmations for positivity. Contact Erica at school to sign up!
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Gloucester Rugby Trip – On 19th January, we were lucky to secure tickets for 40 pupils to go to Kingsholm to watch Gloucester play the French team Castres. We started with a coaching session, met some of the players and took part in the pitch parade. There are lots more photos and videos on the school facebook page!



Number Day for the NSPCC

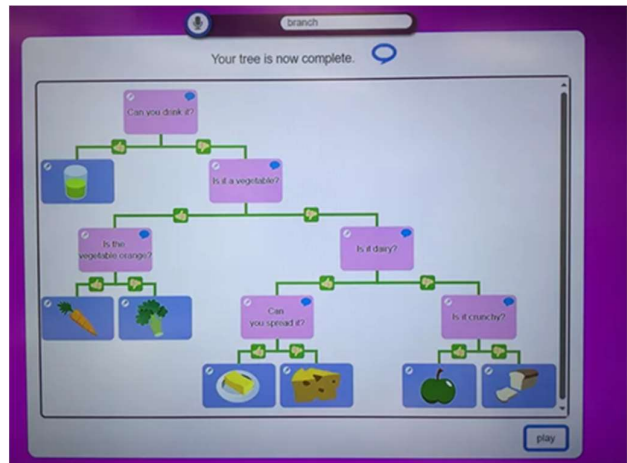
On Friday 2nd February, we celebrated Number Day and encouraged everyone to come in non-uniform with a number theme. We raised over £170 for the NSPCC and everyone looked amazing! Robin class were counting how many



times they could catch in PE – starting with balloons and then bean bags and tennis balls!



LKS2 Computing – Skylark, Jay and Swift classes have been working on creating branching databases in computing. They created their own and then tried out each others!



Cross Country – We are really proud of our cross country runners who went to the Forest of Dean championships at Newent School in January. Five of our runners finished in the top 10 and they will be taking part in the County Championships at the end of February. Well done to all of you!



Football – Last Friday, St White's competed in the latest round of the Prostars football event at Forest High –the team are in second place for the year so well done so far!



Kurling – New Age Kurling is a great fun sport, and we sent two teams to compete at Newent School on 10th January. We are really proud of both teams and they had great fun! One team came third in their group and both showed amazing determination and commitment!



Maths with ME! A huge thank you to all the parents (and grandparents) from EYFS and KS1 classes who joined us for the Maths with ME! sessions this week – we hope you found them really useful and it was lovely to see so many parents in school.



Adult Choir – don't forget that after half term we will be hosting an adult choir here on Thursdays from 6 – 7pm. Everyone is welcome to come along, email stwhiteschoir@gmail.com for more information.



Aspirations Day It's back!! Our Aspirations Morning will be taking place on Tuesday 4th June and we are looking for volunteers to come in and



share their jobs/careers with us. In return for a morning talking about your job to small groups of pupils, we can offer you a good feeling from inspiring the future generation and possibly a biscuit! The morning has been very popular in the past so please get in quick if you would like to secure a space! Please contact the school office or speak to Miss Cinderey or Miss

Underwood if you have any questions. If you would like to sign up, please use this link: <https://forms.office.com/e/eHN6xCGLjf>

Well done to Archie in Nightingale Class! He



has been awarded his 5 metre swimming certificate – this is a big achievement because he has overcome some challenges – he is very proud of himself and we are proud of you too Archie!

Parent Consultation Evening Feedback

Thank you to everyone who came along to the parent consultations in January. While parents were looking at the children's books we asked you to give your ideas about our school vision – see the school website for the results:

[parent consultation feedback](#)

London Marathon On 21st April this year, one of our parents, Sarah Wilkins will be running the London Marathon (26.2miles) in aid of Shelter (a charity that supports the homeless and people in inadequate living conditions). This charity was chosen by her children, Oliver and Amber, following a visit to London last year where they saw people sleeping in doorways and queuing for food kitchens. Her training is going well and she reached 10 miles last weekend so only another 16 to go! As well as training, Sarah is also currently running a raffle with some wonderful prizes donated by very generous businesses.



If anyone would like a raffle ticket they are £1 each and you can contact Sarah through Facebook,

catch her on the school run or head to her official London Marathon fundraising page and enter raffle tickets in the comments. You can also sponsor her directly through the fundraising page – link below. Any help is greatly appreciated and will help her get

across the finishing line. [Shelter: Our Fundraising Page \(enthuse.com\)](#)

Advice from the Fire Service on helping children to learn cooking safety at half term

We know lots of parents like to involve their children in helping to cook at half term. It is a fantastic activity to help children learn about food,



gain independence and the fire service have sent advice about how to use it to teach fire safety too.

[Help children learn](#)

[cooking safety this half term | Gloucestershire County Council](#)

Next Newsletter – Our next newsletter will be published on 22nd March. 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 18th March 2024.



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