

Whitehouse Primary School & Nursery Unit Year 5 Parent Information Evening September 2017

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## Mornings

- Visitors to the school will have to report to the school office Mrs Hutton or Mrs Spratt.
- Parents wishing to meet with staff should do so via an arranged appointment.
- At 9:05am external doors will be centrally locked and those people wishing to enter after this time should report to the main entrance.
- Children may bring their bicycles / scooters to school. We would encourage children to wear helmets for their safety.
- We ask that children do not bring footballs to school. Equipment will be supplied for break and lunchtimes.



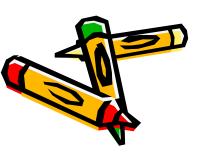
# Breakfast Club, dinners and milk

- Breakfast Club is open daily from 8:15am with last admittance at 8:35am.
- Dinners are £2.60 per day.
- It is helpful if correct money is given at the start of the week.
- Milk Money is now paid on a termly basis.



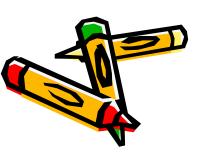
# Medical Update

- Please make sure any updates regarding medical conditions are shared with the class teacher ASAP.
- We need written permission to administer medication to any child in school. This includes emergency medication.
- Forms are available from the school office should you require them in the mornings.



# Absentee Notes

- If you know your child is going to be absent please let us know in advance.
- If your child is ill or not coming to school you must phone the school and let us know.
- If your child needs out of class for an appointment, they must bring a note in advance and be collected from the school office.
- A note must be provided (even if a phone call has been made) for the class teacher on the first day back as these are required for school records.



# Uniform

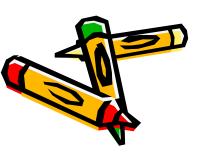
- Please ensure your child is dressed according to the leaflet you have received. Please label every item of clothing.
- Due to health and safety regulations, we are asking children **not** to wear any jewellery to school apart from stud earrings, a wrist watch and one flat ring. Children will be asked to remove all jewellery for P.E. activities for their own safety. Plasters may be put over earrings if necessary.

Black shoes are required throughout the year.

# PE Arrangements

#### • <u>P.E</u>

- Children should always change into their Whitehouse PE kit. Exceptions should be explained with a note.
- If your child is unable to do P.E. they MUST bring in a note.
- Children must have a pair of labelled indoor P.E. shoes to be kept in school at all times.
- ALL ITEMS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL MUST BE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME.
- Trainers are permitted for outdoor P.E. or play.



# Healthy Break / Lunch

Monday to Thursday you can choose from the following -

• fruit, vegetables, bread, sandwiches, cheese crackers.

<u>Friday - TREATDAY</u> - you can, if you wish, bring a treat to school on this day - a biscuit, a bun, <u>not sweets or large chocolate bars</u>)

- Milk and water are the only drinks allowed, even on the treat day!
- No fizzy or energy drinks at lunchtimes.

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WE ARE STILL A NUT FREE SCHOOL AND BISCUITS/ CEREAL BARS CONTAINING NUTS OR TRACES OF NUTS ARE NOT PERMITTED!

# Mobile Phones

- These MAY be brought to school at your own risk. They MUST be turned off and stored in school bags during school hours. They are not permitted in the playground at anytime.
- Children are expected to respect all property and items brought into school are done so at their own risk.

# Discipline.

- We greatly appreciate you working with us, in terms of discipline, to ensure we have a happy and positive learning environment.
- Please speak to us about any concerns you may have during the year. This could be by putting a note in a homework diary or arranging a suitable time for an appointment.



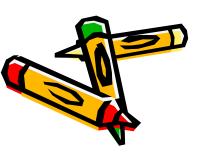
## Whitehouse Values

- Caring
- Honest
- Respectful
  - Helpful
  - Forgiving
- Responsible



## Internet Safety & School Website

- Your children will be learning about the importance of staying safe when using the internet.
- For further information log on to -<u>www.thinkuknow.co.uk</u>
- The school website is <u>www.whitehouseps.co.uk</u> useful for reminders and links.





#### Believe in children M Barnardo's



**Time for Me** is a school based counselling service that is available to pupils and families at WPS. It is a very successful and beneficial service that we have had for a number of years. What we do - Time 4 Me - individual counselling for children Time 4 Us - therapeutic group work

Time 4 Parents - support and guidance

Time 4 Teachers - consultation, support and training

What can we help with? The most common reasons children come to Time 4 Me:

- Bereavement
- Family separation and divorce
- School worries
- Friendship issues



If you would like to know more about this service please speak to you child's teacher, Ms Kennedy or Mrs Watson. - School Counsellor JULIE MAGOWAN

This service can be accessed throughout the year.  $\odot$ 

## Believe in Time 4 Me DROP IN

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#### Time for Me - DROP IN SERVICE

What we do - We also offer a TIME 4 Me drop service on a Tuesday at lunchtime.

Key Stage 2 children have the facility where they can 'drop in' to have a chat with Julie Magowan our school counsellor if they feel they would like to discuss any 'day to day' worries or issues they may have.

This facility is very successful and sessions take place during Wednesday lunchtimes. Parents must provide permission for their children to attend the drop in service and a note will be sent home in the coming weeks to be completed and returned. Please be reassured that should your child raise an issue of concern during a 'drop in' session Julie Magowan will keep you fully informed.

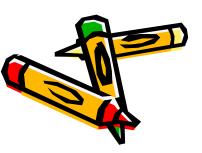
#### Time for Me - Pupil Self Referral

This year it has been introduced that children can refer themselves for counselling via confidential referral forms. As is with drop in sessions Julie will keep you fully informed.



# Year 5 Equipment

- Thank you for equipping your child for Year 5 ☺
- Please replace items as necessary.



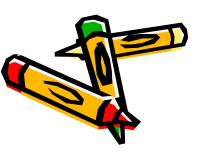
# Equipment Needed

- 3 sharpened HB pencils
- 1 white rubber
- 15cm ruler
- 1 enclosed sharpener
- 1 large Pritt stick
- 1 box of tissues
- 1 Art shirt
- Colouring pencils/crayons

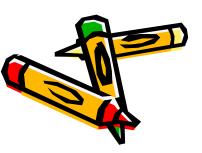


## Homework

- Homework diaries, written homework & reading should be checked. Please sign the diary to indicate this has been done.
- Presentation of all homework should be of a high standard. English homework should be completed in pencil. Coloured pencils or crayons should be used for colouring diagrams etc.
- Children should submit their best work. Homework that is not of a satisfactory standard may have to be repeated.
- Learning homeworks such as spellings, HFW and tables are vital.
- Please note the value of buzzwords to extend your child's vocabulary.



- Spellings/ buzzwords: Monday –
  Wednesday. Revise on Thursday for Friday test. Friday – learn HFW
- Tables: daily
- Written Numeracy/Literacy/Handwriting: Monday - Wednesday.
- Reading: daily.



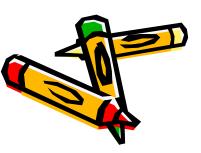
# ACCELERATED READING

- This is a great programme which is proving very successful.
- Children have completed a computerised test to give them a book at an appropriate level and they will continue to read at their own pace.
- They will complete a quiz for each book on an I-pad.



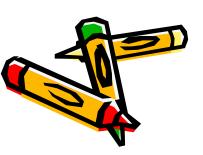
# Year 5 Topics

- The Sea
- Titanic
- Life in Ancient Times
- Change



#### Year 5 Trips and Special Events

- Past trips and events have included Hazelbank, Titanic Exhibition Centre, W5, Early Man workshop, World Book Day, Fire Service visit, Tesco etc.
- We will let you know in advance about plans for this year.



## Thank You 🙂

- Thank you very much for your continued support.
- Should you have any issues don't hesitate to contact us. In doing so we will endeavour to resolve the issue as quickly as possible.

