



Newsletter

East Whitby Weekly News

Date 1.12.23

Genies: Genies have been reading The Gingerbread Man, they retold the story using puppets and wearing masks. We also made salt dough gingerbread men. We had a snowy and cold afternoon in the woods but found it lots of fun! The Genies have also been practising taking turns this week when playing matching games.

Pixies This week we have read The Gingerbread Man, we have been retelling the story with some amazing actions and can tell the story independently without even looking at the book! In Phonics our new sound is P and in Maths we have been making repeating patterns. Nativity practices are going well and we can't wait for you to see it, Wednesday 13th December at 9.30am.

Sprites: Sprites have been learning how to bake bread this week. Just like Little Red Hen, we kneaded the dough and baked our loaves in the oven... yum! We've taken the recipe home so we can explain the steps to our grown ups. In Maths we've been working out 1 more or 1 less than a small number.

Elves Nativity season is well upon us, and we are practising hard. On our class Facebook there is a link to our songs we are singing. So please feel free to sing to your hearts content at home. In phonics, we have done a full week concentrating on our tricky words. The children are finding it hard to make these stick in their memory but we are doing all we can at school to help them. In maths we have been looking at taking away and in topic our focus has shifted to the geography of Whitby and making our own key for a map.

Phoenixes: Year 2 have been writing diary entries in literacy. They have continued to develop their mental maths skills. In geography they have been learning about map coordinates. The Nativity rehearsals are looking good. The children have been working hard to learn the songs and dance routines.

Unicorns In maths, we have been mastering inverse. We have produced an amazing double page on our Antarctica research. In project work we looked at what we would need to wear on a polar expedition.... next time it snows, we can help you all!

Centaur: The children have been working hard writing adventure stories this week all based on a voyage through the digestive system! They have also worked really well in PE looking at different jumping movements on apparatus in gymnastics. In maths they have continued to master their times table facts and are using these really well to help them work on multiplication and division questions. Some of us are now looking at multiplication with carrying too.

Griffins In project this week year 5 have looked at the movement and phases of the moon. We also completed our reports on our chosen planet and typed them up on the computer. In maths we have continued to compare and order fractions. In French we have been practicing saying our birthday and have written a birthday card. We finally finished our wooden truss bridges! All children have worked so well in their teams.

Gnomes ☺ This week we have focused on the nursery rhyme 'Row, Row, Row your boat', we learnt actions to the song and had boats in the water tray. We have continued looking at the book 'Car, Car, Truck, Jeep' and have looked at some real pictures of different vehicles from the book. We have also been lucky enough to explore the snow in our sensory tray, we learnt that snow melts when it gets warm!

Dragons This week in year 6, we have looked at shipwrecks in Whitby and used them for inspiration for our own ghost stories that we are starting to write. In Maths, we have consolidated our fraction knowledge and understanding. During PE, we have been doing gymnastics and also working on how to play as a team.

Pegasus This week our literacy group are finishing off our Beegu work and writing a book review. We are looking forward to the next few weeks and diving into some more festive texts. In our social group we have been talking about meeting new people and what to say. In our maths group we have been working on sharing and grouping and the children are looking forward to continuing their DT project next week! Well done Pegasus!

Well, we have officially made it to December and what a week it has been! The snowy weather has certainly made things interesting, seeing the pure joy the snow brings the children really is lovely! We are sorry we have had to cancel clubs this week, but we are sure you will understand that it is absolutely the right call for the safety of staff and children. We appreciate that this can make things difficult but rest assured if you ever were unable to collect your child at the end of the school day when a club was cancelled, we would keep them in after school club and feed them lots of biscuits until someone got here no problem. As well as lots of amazing snow fun, the children have all been very busy in their classes, working on their projects and their end products, everyone seems to have been working incredibly hard. Each child in school has also decorated a jigsaw piece for our Christmas tree at Saint Mary's, this year the theme of our tree is "what makes us special" and the children have described either themselves or East Whitby, then gone to town with the glitter! Keep an eye out for our tree popping up there soon. We were delighted to see so many of you joining the amazing Friends of East Whitby for the Christmas bingo session, thank you to the team who work so hard to bring us these events, we are incredibly grateful for all you do.

There are lots of events coming up in the next few weeks so please keep an eye on social media, your email inbox and your children's bags as information will be coming out regularly.

★ Star of the week! ★	
Pixies	Gracie
Sprites	Nancy Wren
Elves	William
Phoenixes	Ava-Mae
Unicorns	Ellie
Centaur	Jake
Griffins	Essie
Dragons	Phoebe
Pegasus	Shayan
Gnomes	Jack and Harry

Attendance this week	
Sprites	93%
Elves	92%
Phoenixes	93%
Unicorns	92%
Centaur	94%
Griffins	95%
Dragons	92%
Pegasus	84%

Dates
Please see letter sent out earlier this week.

Parking.
Parking seems to need it's own permanent box on here at the moment. Please ensure **all adults collecting children from school know not to park at the top of the school drive. It wasn't ok before and it really isn't ok now.** This week we had an incident where a car was manoeuvring at the top of the drive whilst children were being brought out at the end of the day and whilst adults were standing there to collect them. Please, please think about how your actions could impact on others, saving yourself a 5 minute walk could lead to a horrible accident happening.

Flu Vaccine catch up sessions will take place in East Whitby on December 11th. Please use this link <https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/northyorkshire> to book your child's vaccination

**Thank
you!**

A huge thank you to the amazing Friends of East Whitby for their incredible efforts. The Christmas Bingo was an enormous success and thanks to their hard work an incredible £627.68

Also a massive than you to all the parents and friends who support the events and for the incredible amount of donations sent in today for our Christmas Fair next week. You are all pretty wonderful really!

MESSY CHURCH AND CHRISTINGLE
SATURDAY 2nd DECEMBER, 2023



3.00pm MAKING CHRISTINGLES AND ACTIVITIES
4.00pm CHRISTINGLE SERVICE
AT ST. HILDA'S CHURCH
WEST CLIFF, WHITBY



Fun in the snow! Mr Smith took a fair few snowballs to the face!

FEAST sessions! Don't forget to sign up to the sessions! You will have received a code for these via email if you're eligible to book a free place! Paid spaces are also available to book on line too.

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North Yorkshire Christmas Holiday Club

SCSS
SIMON CARSON
SPORTS SCHOOL

East Whitby Academy
Stainsacre Lane
YO22 4HU

Tuesday 2nd,
Wednesday 3rd,
Thursday 4th,
Friday 5th January

8:30am - 4:30pm Ages 5-12 only 28 spaces

IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEAL BENEFITS, YOUR CHILD IS ENTITLED TO A FREE SPACE ON OUR COURSE. HEALTHY MEALS & SNACKS ARE PROVIDED FOR ALL CHILDREN ON EACH DAY!

IF YOU ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEAL BENEFITS, THERE IS AN OPTION TO PAY £20 PER DAY TO BOOK, ON OUR WEBSITE. WE HAVE 8 ADDITIONAL SPACES ON EACH DAY.

MULTI SPORT **GOAL** **Arts & Crafts**
Game of Actual Life

TO BOOK A FREE PLACE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE 'HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES' VOUCHER WHICH YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED FROM SCHOOL.


 HolidayActivities

TO BOOK A PAID PLACE, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE:
SIMONCARSONSPORTSSCHOOL.CO.UK

 BOOK NOW

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CHRISTMAS
FAIR

**Don't forget the Christmas
Fair is Next Friday**

**8.12.23 from 1:30. Children
can be collected from
classes to go to the fair,
they can go home with you
after this. 😊**