



Newsletter

East Whitby Weekly News

Date 10.5.24

Genies: This week the Genies have lots of fun playing outside, they enjoyed their music with Mrs Matthewson in the hall and are just brilliant at joining in with every task we set them. Remember to bring sun hats in Genies, its super warm outside.

Pixies This week we have read Tanka Tanka Skunk and had lots of fun drumming along to the beat! We have also looked at a book called Wild Symphony, which when using an app plays classical music to accompany the words.

Sprites: This week we've used 'We're going on a lion hunt' as our Drawing Club book. We've learnt new vocabulary and found out about more African animals. In Maths, we've looked at numbers to 20. In Jigsaw we've been thinking about the words we use and how we speak to our friends in a kind way - we're really good at thinking about how others might feel.

Elves This week we have been finishing off our picture book topic before we move onto our next art project about 'Paul Klee'. In maths we have been looking at half of a shape and half of a quantity. Next week we are moving onto looking at quarters. A brilliant week well done Year 1 😊 x

Phoenixes: Year 2 have had lots of fun investigating mass using balance scales. They have been working hard to develop their addition strategies. The children have completed their Christianity project. They have enjoyed discussing how to be a good friend in PSHE.

Unicorns this week the unicorns have been continuing their project work on plants and looking at how we look after them compared to how we look after people! They have also been working on their prediction skills during their literacy work too. In PE this week the class worked really hard on their tennis skills.

Centaurs: We are still riding high after our amazing time at Peat Rigg, and this week wrote thank you letters to the team there. They have been really well received and we have been asked to send some of the photos we took for Peat Rigg to use in their promotional material! We had a great time at the Abbey and did really well walking back up to school in the heat! In maths this week we have been looking at decimals in the context of money and have done really well!

Griffins What an exciting week! This week, we went to Eden Camp and had a great time. Everyone was so well behaved and represented the school brilliantly. It was a lovely way to end our WW2 project as we will be doing art for the final few weeks of this half term. In maths, we have continued measuring angles. In writing, we finished off our poems on WW2. We have also been looking at how to keep safe online, in particular when gaming.

Gnomes

A quiet week in Gnomes this week working on our sensory activities and building on our phonics work too. WE hope our Gnome class children are all back with us next week for lots of learning fun!

Dragons Well Done Y6 for being fab this week, you've finished off all your SATS prep really well and are going to smash it next week. Remember, relax this weekend and take it all in your stride next week, you'll be fab! 😊

Pegasus This week in Pegasus we have completed our writing about Three Spined Sticklebacks; the children were fascinated to find that they are related to seahorses and have armoured plates rather than scales. Our Maths groups have been looking at different scales on weighing scales. During our Forest Skills session we went on a scavenger hunt in pairs to see what we could find. In our conflict resolution group time we have been identifying feelings and actions through narrative and relating it to our own experiences. In our performance group, some children are becoming really confident in sharing their own poems and dances to the rest of the class.

Well, what a glorious few day it has been at East Whitby! Its so lovely to see the sun! With that in mind can we remind you to ensure your child comes to school with sun cream on and a sun hat to wear as it gets pretty warm on the yard! We've had a great couple of weeks at school, trips to Eden Camp and The Abbey were a huge success and the Y4 trip to Peat Rigg was incredible!

We were lucky to have a group of visiting heads in school in the last 2 weeks, we were also joined by one of the Directors of Learning for the Enquire Learning Trust. They were blown away by what they saw, one comment was that it was the best they had ever seen our school. They all commented on the fact that children were not only engaged in their learning they were involved. This is a really lovely thing to say, a massive well done to all the children for all their hard work 😊

I am sure you will join u in wishing Y6 all the luck in the world for their SATS next week, they are an incredible group and a real pleasure to work with. We know that they all have a great attitude and will do their best next week and that's all we ask. We are so proud of who you all are, you're so much more than a test will show, and we couldn't be happier to have you here with us. Smash it Year 6, you deserve every success that comes your way.

★ Star of the week! ★	
Pixies	Denny
Sprites	Marco
Elves	Freddy B
Phoenixes	Riley
Unicorns	Alan
Centaurs	Kacie
Griffins	Charlie H
Dragons	Everyone 😊
Pegasus	Jude
Gnomes	Jack

Attendance this week	
Sprites	94%
Elves	88%
Phoenixes	91%
Unicorns	86%
Centaurs	93%
Griffins	95%
Dragons	92%
Pegasus	97%

Dates

- Monday 13th – Friday 17th May Y6 Sats week
- Monday 20th May KS2 Cross country event
- Thursday 23rd May Jigsaw PHSCE meeting (Letter to follow next week)

Don't forget to book school dinners. Can we also remind you to book and pay for Breakfast and Afterschool Club in advance.

Uniform we know that in the summer it is easy to let uniform slip in the warmer weather, however we would like to remind you that summer uniform is Tailored school shorts, or gingham school shorts, cycle shorts are fine under summer dresses but not on their own (Shorts should be knee length or just above.) Blue gingham summer dresses can be worn, trousers, skirts and pinafores as usual, white polo or school shirts and navy jumper or cardigan. School shoes should be worn at all times. Crocs and sliders are not appropriate footwear for children at school. Leggings and cycle shorts are not part of the school uniform. **Children must not come to school in PE kit. They are to bring PE kit to change into here.**



Year 4 having a lovely day up at Whitby Abbey 😊



A huge well done to Warren, Lenny, Cass and Fern who organised and ran a tombola to raise money for Ward 22 at James Cook University Hospital! Ticks towards that gold award coming your way and an amazing total raised! Thank you to everyone who supported the children in their fundraising. 😊