



Newsletter

East Whitby Weekly News

Date 18.10.24

Genies This week our Genies have enjoyed being outside in the sunshine and have had lots of water play. We had a beautiful Autumn sensory tray and have been looking at Pumpkins too! Well done Genies 😊

Pixies : This week we have read Leaf Man and enjoyed looking for signs of Autumn. In Phonics we have been blending sounds to name body parts and in Maths we have learnt all about the number 1. On Thursday morning we took part in the whole school Harvest Festival and said the poem Chop Chop. Your Pixies were amazing, so confident standing up in front of everyone and we even went first! Thank you so much to everyone who came to our family learning session. It was lovely to see so many parents and grandparents there.

Sprites: This week Sprites have enjoyed confidently performing the rhyme 'Leaves are falling' for the rest of the school in our Harvest assembly. We've talked about Autumn, how leaves change colour and fall off trees, how conkers, spinning jennies, acorns and berries can be found and how the weather becomes cooler and is often wet or windy. We were lucky to have 2 of our grandparents come in to plant conkers with us - thank you Alison and Mike, we can't wait to see our trees when they start to grow in the Spring! We enjoyed being joined by our grown ups for our Family Learning session - thank you for joining us to see what we're up to.

Elves Year 1 have had an amazing week. The children especially loved going to the woods to look for signs of Autumn and the weather was perfect for it! We have finished off our science topic this week. We wrote a conclusion for the 'Big Bad Hairdryer' experiment and answered our topic question. Next week we are moving onto our RE topic. We will be looking the religion Judaism and specifically Shabbat. In phonics we have been looking at 4 new phase 5 graphemes. In maths we have continued looking at the part-whole model and finding fact families. Well done Year 1:-) x

Phoenixes Year 2 have had a busy week. They have written a science report about the six stages of human growth. They have been examining the drawings of the artist Stephen Wiltshire. In maths they have been comparing numbers using the 'greater than', 'less than' and 'equal to' symbols.

Unicorns We've been super busy in Year 3 this week! The children have been working on their column subtraction and addition and are now even carrying and exchanging too! Amazing work! In literacy we have been thinking about newspaper reports and have to plan a newspaper based on the Viking raids at Lindisfarne. In project we are coming to the end of our Viking work and have been thinking about Viking legacy and carried out a Viking quiz using our orienteering course too!

Centaurs: A jam packed week for year 4! We have finished our writing on Henry VIII's six wives, they have done a sterling job! In maths we have started to look at area and are focusing on our 8 times tables. We have a busy week next week, we are baking on Wednesday and have our bake sale and cross-country on Thursday. On Friday, Mambo Jambo will return for extra practise ahead of our Musicport performance._

Griffins it has been a really busy week this week in year 5. We had an amazing trip to Eden Camp and had a fantastic time consolidating our learning. We also had a session with the Whitby Jets coaching team and found a love of basketball. In art we are starting our project on LS Lowery and in maths we started working on Factors. As if that wasn't enough, we also worked on our letters in Literacy and learned our poem for Harvest! Enjoy your weekend year 5...you've earned it!

Gnomes

This week we have been talking about emotions and what to do when we are feeling angry. In maths we have been looking at the numerals 1, 2 and 3. We have tried to find 1, 2 or 3 objects around the classroom. We had a great PE session in the hall this week, we practised balancing and coordination. We have also enjoyed some more autumn crafts.

Dragons The Year 6s have been working hard on their final piece of writing for this half term, answering the question 'What did the Ancient Greeks do for us?'. The class have sequenced their ideas and planned out and begun their drafts...as usual, there's some very impressive writing going on! In Maths, we have been investigating methods of dividing and applying these to problem solving. We've also had our first, gentle, taste of the SAT exams and I'm very pleased with the results and especially the Year 6's commitment and attitude towards these. Excellent week Year 6!

Pegasus This week in Pegasus' Literacy group we have continued to edit sentences for capital letters and full stops, continued with their story writing and have begun to draw the illustrations for them. In Emotional Regulation Group children were introduced to the 'feelometer' as a way of sharing how they're feeling and how big that feeling is. Our How and Why Group were absolutely amazing at answering all their questions this week. In Hands, Eyes and Brains Group some children started a spooky pop-up project and some children had a lovely time exploring pumpkins.

What a lovely week we have had, the Harvest assembly was a wonderful celebration, and the donations were incredible so thank you all so much. We will be packing up hampers for people in the local community early next week and asking pupils to deliver them. Remember, this will count towards your Pride of East Whitby award, so if the people you deliver to are happy to have a photo taken with their hamper and the person delivering it, we'd love to see it! The remaining food will be donated to both Hope Whitby and the Whitby Food Bank. We know it will be really gratefully received. It was also lovely to hear the children sharing their class poems in the harvest assembly too, well done to everyone.

The children have all been working very hard this week, we've had some great learning taking place in all classes! A special well done to Year 5 who went to Eden Camp this week and were incredibly impressive with their knowledge, understanding, empathy and compassion but also with their behaviour. They really stood out amongst all the other schools there so a huge well done to all of them.

One more week to go then it's the end of the first half term! Club letters will be heading your way next week, please make a note of the clubs your child is in and please encourage them to attend each week or let us know in advance if they can't go.

Have a great weekend! 😊

★ Star of the week! ★	
Pixies	Amber
Sprites	Gus
Elves	Beithe
Phoenixes	Ivy
Unicorns	Freddie
Centaur	Sammie
Griffins	Riley and Tommy
Dragons	Kio
Pegasus	Freddie
Gnomes	Jack

Attendance this week. Whole school: 95%	
Sprites	94%
Elves	94%
Phoenixes	95%
Unicorns	87%
Centaur	98%
Griffins	99%
Dragons	93%
Pegasus	99%

Dates

- 22nd October EYFS open evening, see flyer on the next page.
- 23rd October FOEW Halloween disco! Tickets available now! 😊
- 25th October school closes (normal time) for half term
- Monday 4th November School opens and clubs start.

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



Thank you!

A huge thank you to everyone for the incredible donations sent in for our Harvest assembly today. We are blown away by your generosity and will be taking hampers to members of the community, then donating the rest to the local food banks.

The assembly was lovely with each class sharing a poem, lots of songs sung and thank you said for the food we eat.



East Whitby Academy enquire Early Years Open Evening

The **perfect opportunity** to look around our fantastic **2-year old provision, Nursery and Reception** classrooms, for parents or carers of **children under 5**, with plenty of time to explore the setups and **guided tours** of the whole school at **3:45pm** and **4:30pm**.



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**Tuesday 22nd
October 2024**

3:30pm - 5pm