<u>Newsletter</u>



East Whitby Weekly News

Date 25.10.24

<u>Genies:</u> We've had a brilliant final week continuing to explore all things Autumn, Pumpkins and of course Halloween! We've been busy at the woods on Wednesday by going on a pumpkin hunt, making our own magic wands and of course having some delicious s'mores. Have a lovely half term Genies, see you soon.

<u>Pixies</u> We have had an amazing final week of the half term. We've read two books! The Oak Tree helped us understand about the season and the life cycle of a tree. Then we read Christopher Pumpkin and loved the surprise ending. We made our own Mr Pixie Pumpkin and made up a story about him. In Phonics we continued to practice our listening skills by identifying two sounds that were the same. In Maths we began subitising (saying how many without counting) by recognising when there was 1 & 2. Happy Half Term everyone.

Sprites: Sprites have done an amazing job of their first half term in school! This week we had a fabulous extended woods session where we did a Halloween hunt, made stick wands and enjoyed eating S'mores. We've carried on talking about Autumn and how some animals collect nuts as food to store for winter and how some animals will hibernate until Spring. In Maths we've been representing 2 and 3. In RE, we've talked about what makes people special. Have a lovely half term break and enjoy a rest!

Elves This week we have been learning about Judaism and specifically Shabbat. The children have loved exploring and learning new vocabulary. They also enjoyed seeing some of the artifacts in real life. These are displayed in our classroom. In Phonics we have been consolidating our knowledge before we break up and in maths, we have been working on our number bonds to 10. Enjoy the half term with your families. Well done for working so hard this half term. The Year 1 Team xx

<u>Phoenixes</u> Year 2 have had a busy week. They have enjoyed making a poster about cleaning up the environment to protect wild life. They have enjoyed applying their art techniques in their drawings. Year 2 have also completed their science project about the life processes.

<u>Unicorns</u> This week, year 3 were newspaper reporters! They have written some brilliant reports on the Lindisfarne raids! They also enjoyed finding out about Yggdrasil and the 9 kingdoms in project too, then spent the ride to swimming looking for magical squirrels carrying messages... In maths they put their skills into practice and worked on a range of word problems using addition and subtraction. Some of us went to our first ever cross country and had a great time running round the big course, we were all really proud of them for their incredible effort. Well done to everyone for a great first half term! Enjoy your well earned rest next week.

<u>Centaurs:</u> We have made it to the end of an amazing half term, and finished in style by raising £186 on our cake stall, thank you everyone for being so generous! The money is to go towards our trip to Newcastle. As well as baking we have continued to learn about Henry VIII and decided whether or not he was a good king. We have also been learning about area in maths and took part in the cross country! We never seem to slow down!

<u>Griffins</u> Well what a busy first half term in year 5! In the final week, we've finished our project on WW2, written our letters up, worked on square, prime and cube numbers in maths and done our first imitate piece of art based on LS Lowry. Have a brilliant half term break everyone!

Gnomes

This week we have enjoyed lots of Halloween themed activities including playing in slime, cutting out spooky faces for their pumpkins and painting their own bubbling cauldrons. We have had a brilliant half term in Gnomes, the children have all settled into their new routines really well. Hope everyone has a wonderful week at home!

<u>Dragons</u> Year 6 have been really impressive this week and have completed some practice reading papers, scoring pretty highly on them already! They have completed their writing on the legacy of the Ancient Greeks which is very impressive and have also been working well on long division in maths! What a talented bunch they are! Have a great week off year 6!

<u>Pegasus</u> This week in Pegasus our Literacy group have completed their writing about Coming to England by Floella Benjamin. Our Maths group have rounded numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000. In Emotional Regulation group the children considered how surprised a range of scenarios would make them. Our Crossing the Midline group enjoyed playing with hockey sticks and balls in the playground.

What a fantastic, but very long, half term it has been! The children are all very ready for their week off and truly deserve it after all their hard work. This week we enjoyed an amazing glow disco all thanks to our incredible Friends of East Whitby, we would be lost without them and the money they raise which goes towards bringing things like a pantomime into school each year. So, a huge thank you to them all.

After 2 cancellations, we finally made it to the cross country this week. Lots of children from KS2 went along and took part and it was great to see them doing such a fantastic job of representing our school.

There are lots of fantastic events taking place in town over half term, don't forget to share anything your children get up to with us as we'll be handing out the first of the Pride awards shortly before Christmas!

Have a wonderful week next week, we'll see you all back here on Monday 4th November!

Star of the week!	
Pixies	Esmae Rose
Sprites	Suraya
Elves	Evanie
Phoenixes	Freddie M
Unicorns	Finley
Centaurs	Aoife
Griffins	Lyla
Dragons	The whole Class
Pegasus	Charlie and Freddie
Gnomes	The whole class

Attendance this week: overall 95.3%	
Sprites	79%
Elves	95%
Phoenixes	98%
Unicorns	98%
Centaurs	93%
Griffins	96%
Dragons	99%
Pegasus	97%

Dates

- See additional dates letter
- 25.10.24 School closes for half term
- 4.5.24 school reopens. 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.

Our amazing Friends of school have managed to source some incredible winter coats! If you're finding it hard to sort a winter coat for your children, please come and see us, we'd love to help.



Cross country!

Finally, after 2 cancellations due to horrendous weather, we made it to the schools cross country event. We are incredibly proud of everyone who took part, it was a fantastic afternoon. A special shout out to Lettie, Cass and Fern who came in 2nd and 3rd in their races!



Halloween disco fun!

It was amazing to see so many incredible costumes at the Halloween disco!

A massive thank you to our Friends of East Whitby for arranging such a fantastic night!





11:30 - 13:00 Friday 1st Nov Green Lane Centre, Green Ln, Whitby YO22 4EH

COMMUNITY EVENT

Clay Modelling Workshop
All Materials and Equipment Provided
Free Entry
No Booking Required
Just turn up!



HALF-TERM ACTIVITY

Everyone Welcome!

Help Revitalise the Esk Estuary by creating an intertidal habitat to be installed at Whitby Harbour!

Suitable for all ages



