



# Whytrig Newsletter

## End of Autumn Term @whytrig MS

### Autumn Term 2022

Thursday, 22 December  
End of Term

Friday, 23 December  
Training Day

Monday, 9 January 2023  
Training Day

Tuesday, 10 January 2023  
START OF TERM 2

Friday, 13 January  
Behaviour Non-Uniform

Friday, 27 January  
Mental Health Day

Tuesday, 7 February  
Safer Internet Day

Friday, 17 February  
End of Spring Term 1<sup>st</sup> half

Monday, 27 February  
Start of Spring Term 2<sup>nd</sup> half

Thursday, 2 March  
World Book Day

Friday, 3 March  
Behaviour Non-Uniform

Friday, 17 March  
Mental Health Day

Monday, 27 March  
Bikeability

Thursday, 30 March  
Easter Egg Day  
End of Spring Term 2<sup>nd</sup> half

Monday, 17 April  
Start of Summer Term 1<sup>st</sup> half

Wednesday, 19 April  
KS3 Safety Workshops

Monday, 1 May 2023  
Bank Holiday

Monday, 8 May 2023  
Additional Bank Holiday

**9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**End KS2 SATs Week**

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It really has been a busy term, full of hard work and again filled with many fantastic achievements for the school, children and staff. We finished the term this morning with our End of Term Assembly and then an inter-class Christmas Quiz. The assembly was made even better by performances from the children: year 5 singing Little Drummer Boy in harmony, Key Stage 2 dancers performing to All I Want For Christmas and 5C performing Jingle Bells on the guitars! It really has been a demanding term and everyone can now enjoy a well-deserved Christmas break. We finished our assembly with a reminder to everyone (as we start a fortnight holiday) to stay safe, to try to be nice to one another (including siblings!) and at what can be a particularly stressful time for parents and carers, to do what we can do to help.

### School Merit System

The school merit system is designed to recognise and reward success in school. At the end of each academic year, children who have gained two gold medal badges in at least two separate terms qualify for our Gold Pupil trip to the beach, usually in the last week of the Summer Term. The merits each child earns across each term are counted and contribute towards their House totals. The results of this term's merit competition are as follows:

### Merit Competition – Autumn Term

1<sup>st</sup> place Blake (6240 merits)  
2<sup>nd</sup> place Delaval (6176 merits)  
3<sup>rd</sup> place Seaton (6005 merits)  
4<sup>th</sup> place Hastings (5595 merits)

### Gold Pupils

Well done to the following children who have reached the 25 merit mark and have been presented with their 'Gold' badge: Spencer Douglas, Harry Eaton, Chloe Hampton, Macie Watson, Joy Eme, Ryan Bland, Adam Halliwell, AJ Smith, Callum Moore and Charlie Phillips.

### Excellent Pupils

We also have more children who have also reached the 50 merit mark and their 'Excellent Badge'. Well done to Kate Turner, Amelia Brotherick, Nikola Flisikowska, Aaron Hall, Leah Dixon, Amelia Deeming, Georgia Griffin, Chloe Hampton, Macie Watson, Jack Willis, Jacob French, Michael Middlemiss, Ryan Bland, Leo Senior, Jack Bradley, Matthew Burdett, Alfie Coats, Lewis Little, Jaden Watson, James Bateman, Zak Friend, Marcy Taylor, Danny Stone, Olie Roper, Lenox French, Maddison Chambers, Jack Howe, Matthew Welsh, Jay McNally, Shaun Maguire, Abi Tully, Harihara Sathiyavel and Seren Hooton.

### Superstar Pupils

A huge well done to Isabel Barry, Abi Hunter-Roberts, Ava J Miller, Cameron Scott, Sophia Corbett, Maddison Lowery, Baillie King, Melissa Cepelis, Amelia Deeming, Georgia Griffin, Macie Watson, Kiera Aspin, Layla Rutherford, Bobby O'Brien, William Peace, Hussein Mustafa, Maverick Hillman-Lancaster, Archie Biggs, Alfie Henderson, Jacoby Wilson, Tamsin Russell, Beth Collins, Harry Lambert, Harry Bateman, Jenson Strang, Ella Chandler, Lewis Horn, Marcy Taylor, Tyler Wells, Casey Anderson, Alara Yilmaz, Macey Robinson, Sophie Dannah, Kai Turnbull, Harry Stone, Layton Smith, Keira Logan, Jacob Knox, Amadeus Robertson, Ryley Fenwick, Cadence Turnbull, Lauren Walker, Alfie Coats, Tyler McDonnell and Harry Foster who have also reached the 75 merit mark in this term. A super achievement.

### Owl Award

A massive well done to Alyssya Sibley-Mather, Cora Barry, Ruby Clark, Harry Evans, Abigail Peace, William Peace, Jake Carruthers, Austin Codd, Ava J Miller, Eben Kennedy, Daniel Young, Alfie Dundas, Evie Chambers, Hallie Fletcher, Macie Watson, Layla Rutherford, Keira Logan, Bobbie French, Jack Bradley, Aston Collier, Eden Kennedy, Jessica Knowles, Charlotte Wardle, Jenson Strang, Cameron Scott, Hussein Mustafa and William Bennett who have reached 100 merits this term.

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### **CXXV Award**

The following children have amassed the amazing total of 125 merits this term: Maisie McCluskey, Mollie Mackenzie, Archie Miller, Savannah Moore, James Edgar, Jake Carruthers, Sasha Fawcett, Ben Pilkington, Oliver Wilson, Austin Codd, TJ Allan-Carter, Evan Bland, Harry Evans, Mason Hird, Layla Moody, Cora Barry, Emily Collins, Ruby Clark and Daniel Young. A huge achievement!

### **150 Merits ('Wilkie' Award)**

Well done to Cory Foster, Amelia Scott, Halen Baird, Maisie McCluskey, Archie Miller, Liam Sienko, Evan Bland, James Edgar, Jake Carruthers, Logan Corbett and Austin Codd who have reached the summit of our merit scale with 150 this term. Amazing work everyone!

### **Stars Of The Week**

Our Stars of The Week are nominated each week by staff for a variety of reasons, which might be contribution to the school community, school work or something outstanding. Each week their success is shared in school in the Star of the Week video and they receive a certificate and chocolate bar.

Week ending 16/12/22

5K: Evie Chambers;	5L: Charlie Sharratt;	
6E: Lucy Wells;	6F: Georgia Griffin;	6L: Emily Hedley;
7M: Sophia Corbett;	7Ro: Maggie Foster;	7Ru: Ella Peace;
8C: Brooke Royce;	8L: Peter Gibbons;	
HoS: Amelia Brotherick (7Ro)		

Week ending 9/12/22

5C: Maya Gamblin;	5K: Jessica Knowles;	5L: Fatima Musazade;
6E: Amelia Patrickson;	6F: Tyler McDonnell;	6L: Riley Billings;
7M: Libby Stewart;	7Ro: Daniel Cole;	7Ru: Jack Bradley;
8C: Phoebe Jefferson;	8L: Kai Turnbull;	
HoS: Evie Thomson (8L)		

Week ending 2/12/22

5C: Declan Darrie-Kelly;	5K: Bobbie French;	5L: Cole Watson;
6E: Louis Vural;	6F: Chloe Hampton;	6L: Kish Das;
7M: Zak Friend;	7Ro: Bethany Collins;	7Ru: Harry Lambert;
8C: Alfie Henderson;	8L: Megan Knight;	
HoS: Alfie Coats (7Ro)		

### **Cost of living guide**

We appreciate the difficulties that many families are currently experiencing in the current financial climate, especially at this time of year. Our cost of living guide on our school website has lots of helpful tips to save money, enjoy free or cheap days out and also some tips to help with the cost of Christmas. It can be found on our website via the following link: <https://www.svf.org.uk/news/2022-12-01-christmas-cost-of-living-guide>

### **Looking forward to next year....**

**Please note that Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January is a training day. The children return to school at the normal time on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023. We look forward to seeing everyone back in school then.**

Finally, we would like to wish children, parents, staff and everyone associated with Whytrig Middle School the very best Christmas and the happiest of New Years!