



Proud to be part of The White Horse Federation Multi-Academy Trust THE WHITE HORSE FEDERATION

# Newsletter No 3

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## Values

This term's value is **Respect**. Mr Morris has led assemblies focusing on what showing respect looks like and how it feels to be respected. The children have been tasked to think about how they can show respect at home, ready to share at their actions with the school at the end of the term.

Next week the children will be learning more about our British Values, which are very much part of our Curriculum at Zouch.

The four British Values are -

**Mutual Respect and Tolerance**

**Individual Liberty**

**Rule of Law**

**Democracy**



## British Values

We have these values to ensure we all show respect to each other, follow rules and laws and get a vote to have a say. It's important that people understand them to help show respect to others and self-respect. They link to our school values such as voting for school council; Respect is a British Value and a school value too.

## Census Day 5<sup>th</sup> October

Census day is incredibly important for schools as it is the benchmark for the funding we receive. As a school we receive funding for children who live with a serving parent and those eligible for Pupil Premium funding. Please read the details overleaf to see if you would be eligible to apply and follow the direction within the email.

It is important that we have as many meals booked from our Reception to Y2 Classes on this day. The number of meals ordered on this day will define the amount of funding for the school by the Government, to pay for the Universal Infant Free School Meals.

## Safeguarding – Breakfast Club

If you have a child in Breakfast Club it is vital that you escort them to the door and wait until they have been signed in by an adult. We need to ensure children are safeguarded and that the correct children are in breakfast club.

## Online Safeguarding – The Backrooms

I would like to make you aware of a game/video that is becoming popular with children. Across social media and on the gaming platform 'Steam' people are watching and playing 'The Backrooms'. This is a horror survival game that, although not directly violent, includes themes and situations that are not suitable for children.

## Nursery pick-up

When dropping children at Nursery for the afternoon session, please ensure you are arriving for 12:15. The safeguarding of our children is important and we must limit the amount of people on the premises, therefore, we cannot have adults waiting on site. If you arrive early, please wait outside of the main gate until drop off time.

## KS2 homework club

A reminder that homework for children in Y3-6 is due in on a Monday. Any homework not completed will have to be completed in lunchtime Homework Club. If a child is struggling with homework, they must tell their teacher **before** the Tuesday morning deadline so they can be supported. Homework club will run on Tuesday and Wednesday.

## Uniform

Thank you so much for supporting the children to have the correct uniform each day. Please ensure your children's uniform and other items have their names clearly written or labelled. When children are getting changed for PE and Forest School, it's difficult for adults to establish each individual item if they are not named.

## Pupil Premium Funding

Pupil premium funding is provided by the government to improve educational outcomes for pupils, in schools in England. This funding has a huge impact on our school and it is important that, as a school, we are receiving the funding we are entitled to in order to best support your child/ren's education.

The school will receive funding for any child who qualifies for the funding. If you are in receipt of any of the following benefits you can apply for 'Free School Meals Funding':

For children in years 3 and above, free school meals are not provided automatically. They can be awarded only if you receive any of the following:

- Income Support
- Job Seeker's Allowance (income-based)
- Employment and Support Allowance (income-related)
- support under part six of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- the Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit - providing you are NOT entitled to Working Tax Credit and your family's annual income (as assessed by HMRC) is not more than £16,190 (as at 6 April 2012)
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment you may receive for a further four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)

In the next week an email will be sent to all parents with details on how to apply. If you feel that you are eligible, please follow the directions within the email. It is a quick and easy process that has the potential to positively impact your children's school experience.

## Head Boy and Head Girl 2023/24

We are pleased to announce that this year Head Boy and Head Girls have been chosen!

Head Boy: Tyler-Jay Webb

Head Girl: Cerise Neave

Deputy Head Boy: Nathan Whitfield

Deputy Head Girl: Megan Thapa

## Packed Lunches

Please note, if your child requires cutlery for their packed lunch, please provide this from home. We do not have spare cutlery for packed lunches. Thank you

## Future dates for your diary:

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> September** – Puffins and Robins Parents Evening, please book via Pupil Asset

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September** – Reception and Puffins Parents Evening, please book via Pupil Asset

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September** – Wrens Only Parents Evening, please book via Pupil Asset

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** – Macmillan Coffee Morning, 9.00-10.00am Visit from Hive and The Children's Centre!

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** – Individual Photographs

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October** – Census Lunch

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October** – Teacher Training Day! School Closed to pupils

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Wren and Robin Parent Phonic Stay and Do

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October** – Year 3 Trip to Stonehenge

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> October** – Reception 2024 Open Morning at 9.30am (please book via the school office)

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Y4 Dance Performance to Parents at 09.15am

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – Wren and Robin's Parent Phonic Stay and Do

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – KS2 Virtual Meet and Greet with author Tom Palmer

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October** – Last day of term! Finish at 13.10pm

### PE and Forest Schools

Children will need to bring their kit for Forest School and PE in a named bag to change into. Here is the timetable:

Class	PE	Forest School
Puffins		Wednesday
YR (Robins and Wrens)	Monday	Monday
Y1 (Skylarks and Nightingales)	Thursday	Thursday
Y2 (Woodpeckers and Kingfishers)	Thursday	Tuesday
Y3 (Eagles and Merlins)	Friday Wednesday	Wednesday (Weeks 4-6)
Y4 (Ospreys and Kestrels*)	Thursday (Osprey) Friday	
Y5 (Peregrines and Sparrowhawks)	Monday Wednesday	Wednesday (Weeks 1 – 3)
Y6 (Tawny and Snowy Owls)	Tuesday Wednesday	Friday (Weeks 1-3)