

Dear Parents/Carers,

Easter Holiday

Just a reminder that school will close on Friday 7th April and reopen on Monday 24th April for the new term.

Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who supported our Book Fair. We raised the magnificent sum of £308.95 and this means school will receive commission to purchase new books for the school.

Easter Egg Competition

Wow, we had some eggciting and eggstrodinary creations for our competition! A huge well done to all the children who entered and I am sure you had a cracking time making them!

Comic Relief

The children and staff had a fantastic time wearing something red for Comic Relief. We raised a terrific £293.18 for this worthwhile charity.

Whitehouse Bake-off

The Friends of the School held another successful Bake-off and raised £65.00. Thank you and well done to those who baked, those who tasted, those who bought and finally those who ate such wonderful pieces of culinary art. Every one of our Friends of the School events has helped toward our minibus which has arrived in school today. So, thank you for every cake baked, every penny spent at the craft fair and every Halloween disco ticket purchased, which has helped us reach our target. Look out for an update in the next Whitehouse Times.

After-school Clubs

Just to give parent/carers forward notice that we will be running a Year 3/4 Tag Rugby Club on Tuesdays, a Year 3/4 Football Club on Wednesdays, a Year 2 Summer Sports on Thursdays and a Year 5/6 Cricket Club on Thursdays. We are very fortunate to have so many clubs running throughout the year and this is thanks to the dedication of the staff in the giving of their time.

Building Work

We are hoping that our building work is finally coming to an end and our new meeting room will be open and ready for use. I want to say a huge thank you to the parents/carers and visitors to school for their understanding and consideration during some difficult weeks. The purpose of the new room was to alleviate the need to move children out of teaching and learning areas in order for agencies who work with our children to have meetings. Whitehouse has been a growing school over the last 8 years and we undertake improvements to the building when we have the finance and in order to improve the environment for the children. We will have an official opening, which the school newspaper reporters will cover in their next edition.

School Website

For those of you who have visited our school website, you will have noticed it has a new design. I hope it still gives people a flavour of what we do at Whitehouse, but I am aware that some areas of the site are not quite finished yet, so please keep visiting it.

Parent Support Adviser

Mrs Gibson is our Parent Support Adviser and provides essential support for many of our families. Mrs Gibson works part-time in this role on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. If you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact her on 07949612489.

Once again, it has been another busy and successful term at Whitehouse. It is a delight to be in school with such lovely children and supportive parents. I know that, in these times of uncertainty in Education, especially around funding, we as a school community, will always do the best for your children and offer every child the opportunity to succeed, whatever their strengths and needs.

I do hope the weather improves and becomes a little warmer to enable everyone to have a lovely family-time Easter break.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Randle,
Head Teacher.

'Whitehouse is a good school where pupils achieve well and overall their outcomes are outstanding. Excellent attention is given to all aspects of care, guidance and support' – Ofsted 2011

"Pupils achieve well from their starting points as a result of good teaching and an engaging curriculum." – Ofsted 2013

'Teaching is typically good and some is outstanding. Teachers plan interesting lessons which enthuse pupils and make them want to learn.' - Ofsted 2014

'Pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural development is strong. It is promoted very effectively through the excellent relationships in school, and a wide range of activities.' - Ofsted 2014

'Arrangements to keep children safe are outstanding.' - Ofsted 2014