

WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



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WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER	TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER	WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER	THURSDAY 23 NOVEMBER	FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER
Author Visit Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 (pupils only)	Year 2 Opal Class Lower Earley Library Visit (within school hours)	Year 5 Trip to Winchester Science Museum (within school hours)	RE Inspired visit Year 1	
			Year 3 Diamond Class Lower Earley Library visit (within school hours)	

KEY:

WHOLE SCHOOL

YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC

OTHER

+CLICK TO VIEW ONLINE SCHOOL CALENDAR AND
EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

OVERALL TOTAL: 92.3%

REC—Crystal	80.3%	Y4—Amethyst	97.3%
REC—Pearl	86.0%	Y4—Jasper	95.3%
Y1—Amber	86.7%	Y5—Emerald	98.7%
Y1—Jade	96.7%	Y5—Onyx	XX%
Y2—Opal	91.0%	Y5—Sapphire	97.7%
Y2—Topaz	94.0%	Y6—Obsidian	97.0%
Y3—Diamond	97.2%	Y6—Ruby	96.5%
Y3—Garnet	98.7%	Y6—Tiger's Eye	90.9%



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Every Child | In School | On Time | Every Day

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Tuesday, 28th November	Year 4 Parent Information Evening—Burwell House 3:45pm—4:15pm
Wed, 29th November	Guided School Tours 9.15am—new prospective parents
Wed, 29th November	Lara School of Drama Performance—Year 1 and 2 3:30pm—4:30pm in school hall
Friday, 1st December	Lara School of Drama Performance—Year's 3– 6. 3:30pm—4:30pm in school hall
Tuesday, 5th December	Parent Meetings 4:30pm—7:30pm
Wed, 6th December	Parent Meetings 3:30pm—6:00pm
Thursday, 7th December	Nursery & Reception Nativity & SPLAT 1:45pm
Thursday, 7th December	Year 3 Garnet Class Library visit
Sunday, 10th December—Thursday, 14th December	Year 6 Residential Trip to Rhos-y-Gwaliau
Monday, 11th December	Christmas Jumper Day
Tuesday, 12th December	KS1 Performance to parents
Wed, 13th December	Christmas Lunch Christmas Fayre (pupils only)
Friday, 15th December	Last day of term. Early finish at 1:00pm
Tuesday, 9th January 2024	Year 4 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall
Wednesday, 13th March 2024	Year 3 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall
Wednesday, 22nd May 2024	Year 3 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall
Tuesday, 2nd July 2024	Year 4 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall



WHOLE-SCHOOL NOTICES

- **TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHS:** Have you ordered your school photos yet?

A polite reminder that the closing date for free delivery back to school is Tuesday 21st November. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit:



If you need any assistance in ordering your photos, feel free to contact Tempest on 01736 751555 (option 3).

- **VOLUNTEERS—WE NEED YOU:** We would love to have more volunteers helping in school on a regular basis. Should you be interested in helping, please complete and return the volunteer form (link below) to the school office:

[Volunteer Application Form—Whiteknights School](#)

- **MIDDAY ASSISTANT VACANCY:** We are still looking for a Midday Assistant to join our wonderful lunchtime team.

[Work With Us - Whiteknights Primary School](#)

- **LITTLE GEMS, RECEPTION, YEAR 1 AND 2:** We are excited to announce a visit by an author on the afternoon of Monday 20th November.

The author is called Babs Vinden-Cantrell, and she has written: Seagulls don't eat sorbet and Seagulls got to dance.

The author will be signing books on the day. If you wish to purchase a book for your child to bring with them, please click on one on the links below. Please ensure your child's full name and class is written on the inside front cover of the book.

[AMAZON—SEAGULLS DON'T EAT SORBET](#)

[AMAZON—SEGULL'S GOT TO DANCE](#)

[TROUBADOR—SEAGULLS DON'T EAT SORBET](#)

[TROUBADOR—SEAGULL'S GOT TO DANCE](#)

- **CHRISTMAS LUNCH MENU:**



Please note that jacket potatoes will **not** be available.

Should a child have a jacket potato option selected, we will order and serve them a vegetarian meal.

Orders need to be completed by;

4th December 12:00pm.

WHITEKNIGHTS PRIMARY IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
READING GATEWAY CHURCH PRESENTS:

FREE PARENT AND GUARDIAN COFFEE MORNINGS

WEDNESDAY / 8.30^{am} to 10^{am}
MORNINGS 22/11, 6/12 and 20/12

Discover the heart of Whiteknights Parents Coffee Mornings—a vibrant initiative aimed at fostering a supportive school community.

Hosted at the St. Barnabas Hall, generously offered by Reading Gateway Church, these gatherings provide parents with a welcoming space to connect, share conversations and cultivate new friendships over tea, coffee and biscuits. At each event we aim to feature a diverse lineup of local businesses, ranging from children's book sellers to artists, jewelry makers, party planners and more. In addition, we have scheduled speakers who delve into topics like potty training, weaning, sleep and behaviour. Starting from after school drop-off until 10 am, these sessions offer a convenient and enjoyable alternative to heading straight home.

Join us for a complimentary tea or coffee, complete with toast and jam for the little ones - we've got toys to keep them engaged to ensure a relaxed and social start to the day.

Let's build a stronger, more connected community together!



**WHY NOT JOIN OUR
COFFEE MORNINGS?**

Reading Gateway Church @ St Barnabas Hall, Elm Road, Reading RG6 5TS

GROUP-SPECIFIC NOTICES

NURSERY : Notices and Reminders

- [Autumn Overview—Nursery](#)
- [Knowledge Organiser](#)
- Nursery & Reception Nativity & SPLAT 1:45pm

RECEPTION : Notices and Reminders

- [Autumn Overview—Reception](#)
- Nursery & Reception Nativity & SPLAT 1:45pm

YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 : Notices and Reminders

- [Autumn Overview—Year 1](#)
- [Autumn Overview—Year 2](#)

YEAR 3 and YEAR 4 : Notices and Reminders

- [Autumn Overview—Year 3](#)
- [Autumn Overview—Year 4](#)

YEAR 5 and YEAR 6 : Notices and Reminders

- **YEAR 6 JUNK MODELLING:** Please remember to bring in junk modelling materials to construct festive lights on Wednesday 22nd November.
- **YEAR 5 TRIP TO WINCHESTER SCIENCE MUSEUM WEDNESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER:** Just a reminder that we will be leaving the school at 09:15 and returning in time for the end of the school day at 15:20. Children will need to bring a packed lunch in a backpack and a water bottle. Please make sure your child does not bring sweets or fizzy drinks. Children will need to wear school uniform including their school shoes. No need to bring any spending money as we will not have time to visit the shop before departing. If your child requires a School Packed Lunch, then please contact the office to order. If we don't hear from you, we will be assured that a packed lunch will be provided from home.
- [Autumn Overview—Year 5](#)
- [Autumn Overview—Year 6](#)

CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

Shining a spotlight on school life and pupil achievement

JIGSAW—PSHE

SAYING OF THE WEEK

This week we are celebrating people who:
Try to solve problems.



MINECRAFT BUILDER OF THE WEEK




Congratulations to this week's
Winners, Lily and Blake, for
building a whale in the
'Quick Build Challenge'.
Well done!



COMPOSER OF THE WEEK

Week 3



Composition Title: Ride of the Valkyries

Date: 1856

Composer: Richard Wagner

Musical Elements: Percussion instrument that is struck or scraped to make a sound. Repetition

Where in the World? Germany

DID YOU KNOW? Richard Wagner's name is pronounced as 'Vagner'. He composed Ride of the Valkyries as part of a music drama called the The Ring of the Nibelung.

Era: Romantic

History of Music Timeline

We have enjoyed learning about a new composer called Richard Wagner.

One of his pieces Ride of the Valkyries was originally part of a musical drama and has since been used in many films.

LEARNER SHOWCASE : SCHOOL LIFE AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

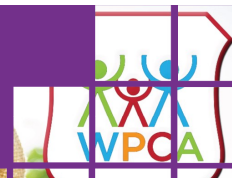
- Year 5's got crafty with chocolate at Leighton Park School, read more about their fun adventure exploring all things chocolate. [+Sweet Delight: Year 5 Chocolate Workshop at Leighton Park](#)

USEFUL LINKS

SCHOOL FORMS

SCHOOL MEALS

TERM DATES



CHRISTMAS DISCO 8TH DECEMBER

DISCO 1	DISCO 2
Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 4.30pm to 5.30pm	Year 4 to Year 6 6pm to 7.30pm
Tickets sold via SCOPay £3 - entrance only £4 - entrance & photobooth	Tickets sold via SCOPay £4 - entrance only £5 - entrance & photobooth

Refreshments and novelties on sale - where possible, kindly bring money in small denominations.

*Parent volunteers needed on the evening
Get in touch with your year group representative or via whiteknightspca@gmail.com

SCOPAY TICKET SALES CLOSE - NOON 7TH DEC

CHRISTMAS Sale

DECORATIONS ON SALE AT LUNCH TIME
£1.00/DECORATION

- *Buy as many as you like
- *Decorate brightly
- *Write your name and class on the back
- *Return as soon as possible, but no later than 12 December
- *Winners announced 15 December

SALE STARTS MONDAY, 20 NOVEMBER!



WHITEKNIGHTS PARENT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NOTICE BOARD Cont.



CALLING FOR DONATIONS OF CHRISTMAS JUMPERS:

Do you have any Christmas Jumpers your children have grown out of, and would be willing to donate to our pre-loved shop? If so, please ensure they are given in to the school office by the end of play Monday 20th November.

Working with
Whiteknights primary school

mychildstart
CO.UK

Your child has uploaded a Christmas drawing to our website!
VIEW NOW
by logging into the parent order portal at www.mychildstart.co.uk/order


Order portals open NOW until the 31st December

EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT FOR 2 WEEKS ONLY

Use code **Whiteknights** during checkout for 10% off your order!

One use only. Excludes VAT and P&P. Valid for 2 weeks from the portal opening date, not the date that you receive this leaflet. Not automatically applied and cannot be added once an order has been confirmed.

Username **Whiteknights**
Access Code **u53bUYgT**



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NEW & Improved Website Has launched!

Order unique personalised gifts and keepsakes for Christmas **designed by YOUR child**

Over 20 exciting products to choose from!

Prices start from just **£2.69** +P&P

20% of all product sales goes directly to your child's school or group.

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