

WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



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WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

MONDAY 13 MAY	TUESDAY 14 MAY	WEDNESDAY 15 MAY	THURSDAY 16 MAY	FRIDAY 17 MAY
Year 6 SATS—breakfast at school 07:45am	Year 6 SATS—breakfast at school 07:45am	Year 6 SATS—breakfast at school 07:45am	Year 6 SATS—breakfast at school 07:45am	
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KEY:

WHOLE SCHOOL

YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC

OTHER

+ONLINE SCHOOL CALENDAR AND EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

OVERALL TOTAL: 95.79%



REC—Crystal	95.00%	Y4—Amethyst	100%
REC—Pearl	95.42%	Y4—Jasper	94.58%
Y1—Amber	92.50%	Y5—Emerald	94.17%
Y1—Jade	93.33%	Y5—Onyx	XX%
Y2—Opal	97.5%	Y5—Sapphire	95.56%
Y2—Topaz	94.17%	Y6—Obsidian	XX%
Y3—Diamond	96.67%	Y6—Ruby	95.83%
Y3—Garnet	98.33%	Y6—Tiger's Eye	98.75%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Every Child | In School | On Time | Every Day

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Summer Term

Monday, 13th May	Year 6 SATS week.
Wednesday, 22nd May	Year 3 SPLAT
Thursday, 23rd May	Sports Day and Summer Fair
Friday, 24th May	Nursery Assembly—Two sessions: 10:45am and 2:30pm in the school hall
Friday, 24th May	Reception SPLAT 14:00 starting in the school hall
Tuesday, 4th June	School Tour for new nursery parents 10:00am
Tuesday, 4th June	Tigers Eye class visit to Lower Earley Library
Friday, 7th June	Ruby Class visit to Lower Earley Library
Tuesday, 11th June	Parent meetings of new reception children. In the school hall 10:00-11:00
Wednesday, 12th June	Parent meetings of new nursery children. In the school hall 10:00-11:00
Thursday, 13th June	Year 4 Amethyst Class Library visit
Friday, 14th June	Year 4 Jasper Class Library visit
Tuesday, 18th June	Bags 2 School Collection
Wednesday, 19th June	Reception trip to Wellington Country Park (within school hours)
Monday, 24th June	New Reception children SPLAT Session 1 (come to one or the other) 13:30-14:30
Wednesday, 26th June	New Reception children SPLAT Session 2 (come to one or the other) 13:30-14:30
Thursday, 27th June	New Nursery children SPLAT 13:30-14:30
Tuesday, 2nd July	Year 4 SPLAT
Tuesday, 2nd July	New parent 1:1 meetings of children joining Pearl Class 08:00-16:00
Wednesday, 3rd July	New parent 1:1 meetings of children joining Crystal Class 08:00-16:00
Thursday, 4th July	New parents of children joining Little Gems 1:1 meetings 08:00-16:00
Monday, 8th July	New parents of children joining Little Gems 1:1 Meetings AM only

- **SUMMER FAIR PACKED LUNCHES:** If you would like to order a school packed lunch from Harrison's for the Summer Fair, Thursday 23rd May, please contact the school office by **Thursday 16th May**

- Tests and exams can be a challenging part of school life for children and young people and their parents or carers, but there are ways to ease the stress. Please find a couple of very useful websites to support you and your child through the SATS.

Standard
Attainment
Tests

[Help your child beat exam stress - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](http://www.nhs.uk)

[Exams: Supporting your Child \(charliewaller.org\)](http://charliewaller.org)

WHOLE-SCHOOL NOTICES

- **CLASS PHOTOS:** On May 21st external professional photographers (Tempest) will be at school and taking our annual class photos. If you wish to withdraw your child from this year's class photo, please contact the school office **by May 14th** to lodge your request. Mrs Reynolds may wish to discuss this request with you. Please note that it is not compulsory for pupils to be included in photos, nor is there any obligation on parents to purchase the resulting photographs. Further information can be found in our Child Protection and Safeguarding policy which is available on the school's website.

TEMPEST
PHOTOGRAPHY



- **BOOKINGS FOR EXTENDED CARE AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS:** Please note that it is now possible for parents to make bookings **24 hours in advance** rather than the previously required 7 days in advance. Find more information on our [website](#).

- **SCHOOL LUNCHES:** Please be aware that you can book your child's school lunch up **until midnight the day before**.



- **NON PRESCRIBED MEDICATION IN SCHOOL:** For **emergencies only situations**, the school office may now administer non-prescription medication provided that verbal consent (this includes Arbor consents) has been obtained in advance.

The medications we hold in school are:

Calpol Infant 2+ month
Calpol SixPlus 6+ years
Nurofen for Children 3 months—12 years
Piriton 1+ years
Nivea Kids Sensitive 50+ Sun Cream.



- **SPORTS DAY SUMMER FAIR: THURSDAY, 23 MAY 2024**

TOKEN SALES OPEN ON SCOPAY

We are asking parents to make a voluntary donation of £5 (or more, if possible) via scopay. Donations will enable us to provide each pupil with 10 tokens to enjoy the activities at the fair. Additional tokens will be available to purchase via scopay or on the day.

RAFFLE TICKET BOOKLETS SENT HOME

One book of raffle tickets will be sent home with your children to sell. If you would like more books these will be available from the office. Each book contains 5 tickets at a price of £1 per ticket.

RAFFLE SALES—COMPETITION

This year there will be a prize for the class that sells the most raffle tickets! The winning class will be rewarded with ice lollies on Friday, 24th May.

More details can be found on the WPCA notice board on page 7.

BREAKING NEWS

Special Edition

NEWS | EVENTS | HEADLINES | ENTERTAINMENT AND MORE

THE MONTH OF MAY IS LOCAL & COMMUNITY HISTORY MONTH



We'll be marking Local and Community History Month by inviting our pupils to step into the shoes of historians and conduct some research.

We're keen for our pupils to share intriguing historical facts they've discovered about our local community. These fascinating insights will be showcased during our school assemblies at the end of May.

DID YOU KNOW?

Sir Kenneth Branagh, aged 69, a renowned actor-director, spent some of his childhood in Reading and attended Whiteknights Primary School.

In a recent interview, Branagh reminisced about his time at Whiteknights, fondly recalling his teacher, Ms Beryl Levitt. He described her as an outstanding primary teacher, compassionate and someone who profoundly influenced him.

WHOLE-SCHOOL NOTICES *cont.*

What's on the menu?		Monday 6th May — Friday 10th May				HARRISON food with thought
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
W/C 13th May 19th Feb - 1st Apr 20th Feb - 18th Mar, 8th & 20th Apr, 20th May, 10th Jun, 1st Jul 4th & 25th Mar, 15th Apr, 6th & 27th May, 17th Jun, 6th Jul	Cheesy Tomato & Basil Pasta with Salad Selection Indian Style Biryani with Tomato, Cucumber & Mint Salad Sweetcorn & Green Beans Orange & Lemon Sponge Cake with Custard	Creole Style Chicken with Vegetable Rice Chickpea & Vegetable Chow Mein Style Noodles Garlic Greens & Carrots Strawberry Jelly with Watermelon Slice	Chicken Sausages with Potato Wedges & Coleslaw Vegetarian Sausages with Potato Wedges & Coleslaw Baked Beans/Broccoli Lemon Shortbread with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with New Potatoes Tuscan Style Tomato & Bean Pasta Roast Courgettes/Carrots Chocolate Marble Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Battered Fish Fillet with Tomato Sauce & Chips Chickpea & Herb Pattie in a Tortilla with Sweet Chilli Sauce & Chips Peas/Baked Beans Vanilla Ice Cream with Sliced Fruit	
	Macaroni Cheese Vegetable & Bean Stir Fry with Sweetcorn Rice Peas/Butternut Squash Berry Swirl Sponge Cake & Custard	Beef Lasagne Lentil & Mixed Pepper Lasagne Broccoli/Sweetcorn Strawberry Ice Cream & Fruit Wedges	Roast Turkey with Roast New Potatoes & Gravy Cheese & Chive Quiche with Roast New Potatoes Carrots/Green Beans Chocolate Sponge Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Minced Beef Keema with Pilau Rice Italian Style Tomato & Herb Sauce with Penne Pasta Cabbage/Sweetcorn Apple Crumble with Custard	Battered Fish Fillet with Tomato Sauce & Chips Sweet Potato, Spinach & Bean Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce Peas/Baked Beans Jelly & Fresh Fruit	
	Pizza Margherita with Baked Potato Wedges Pesto Style Pasta with Mediterranean Salad & Cheese Sweetcorn with Mixed Peppers/Broccoli Vanilla Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit Wedges	Cheesy Beef & Macaroni Bake Chilli Bean Wrap with Salsa & Mexican Rice Carrots/Green Beans Carrot Cake & Custard	Cottage Pie with Gravy Chickpea & Vegetable Korma & Rice Broccoli/Sweetcorn Fruit Jelly & Fruit Wedges	Beef Burger in a Bun with Potato Wedges Sweet Potato & Pepper Pattie in a Bun with Potato Wedges Sweetcorn/Coleslaw Apple Sponge Cake & Custard	Breaded Fish Fillet with Tomato Sauce & Chips Cheese & Mixed Pepper Quiche with Chips Peas/Baked Beans Chocolate Shortbread	

Available daily: Freshly Baked Bread, Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings, Salad Selection, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt



Please note the last day of ordering is
26th July 2024
 for delivery before the start of term in
 September.

ONLINE ORDERING: www.brigade.uk.com then select the PARENTS CLICK TO ORDER HERE link
 PARENT ENQUIRIES EMAIL: sales@brigade.uk.com or click [HERE](http://www.brigade.uk.com/contact-us/) www.brigade.uk.com/contact-us/

HOW TO USE THIS SERVICE

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Log onto www.brigade.uk.com
2. Click on the parents click to order button
3. Enter your child's school name
4. Select the school from the drop down list provided
5. Follow the online instructions to place your order

£3.99 delivery fee applied for all orders

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SUMMER HOLIDAY ORDERS

July to September is a busy time for ALL uniform providers!

Place your order BEFORE 26th July for delivery before the start of term.

We cannot guarantee orders placed after this date will be delivered in time for the start of the new term.

ORDER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY FOR FASTER DELIVERY!

GROUP-SPECIFIC NOTICES

NURSERY : Notices and Reminders

- No notices this week.

RECEPTION : Notices and Reminders

- No notices this week.

YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 : Notices and Reminders

- **Year 1 Maths Homework Schedule:**

Homework due date	Pages
22 nd April	Pages 87 – 89
29 th April	Pages 90 – 92
7 th May (Tuesday due to Bank Holiday)	Pages 93 – 95
13 th May	Pages 96 – 99
20 th May	Pages 100 -102
3 rd June (After half term)	Pages 103 – 110

- **Year 2 Maths Homework Schedule**

Week Commencing	Pages	Deadline
Monday 29 th April	58 - 60	Monday 6 th May
Monday 6 th May	61 - 63	Monday 13 th May
Monday 13 th May	64 - 66	Monday 20 th May

YEAR 3 and YEAR 4 : Notices and Reminders

- No notices this week.

YEAR 5 and YEAR 6 : Notices and Reminders

YEAR 6 SATS: The 2024 SATs will take place on the week starting Monday 13th May. Please be reminded [attendance is a priority this week.](#)

- **SATS BREAKFAST:** For the week of SATS, we will host breakfast for the Year 6 children! We will welcome them from 07:45 and provide them with breakfast. It is optional, but encouraged.



If they would like to join, they just need to bring a plastic bowl, cup and spoon. Please let the school office know if there are any special dietary requirements.

- **HELPING YOUR CHILD THROUGH THEIR SATS:** SATS season can be a stressful time for some children, here are some tips to help your child relax.
 - Boost your child's confidence every day with positive words and compliments.
 - Make sure they are drinking at regular intervals— aim for 6-8 cups of water a day.
 - Listen to your child's anxieties and worries, give lots of hugs, reassurance, and positive encouragement.
 - Have unwind activities each day.
 - Make sure they are getting a balanced diet.
 - Make sure they are getting enough sleep – (see previous tips).
 - Build in lots of physical activity and fresh air each day.
 - Let them know the results of their tests have no impact on your relationship.

If you are very concerned, reach out to a teacher as they will be able to support you both, or point you in the right direction.

CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

Shining a spotlight on school life and pupil achievement

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CONNECT

This half term we are working on challenging ourselves.

"Keep challenging yourself to think better, do better, and be better."



COMPOSER OF THE WEEK



Read about our '[Composer of the Week](#)', Hans Zimmer.

Our composer this week is the famous score creator, Hans Zimmer. Hans Zimmer has created the score for many films including The Lion King. This week our piece is space themed and uses a blend of classical and contemporary styles to create an impression of outer space.

MINECRAFT BUILDER OF THE WEEK

No winner this week, as club night fell on the Bank Holiday. Watch this space for next weeks winner!



LEARNER SHOWCASE : SCHOOL LIFE AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

- [RECEPTION DELIGHTS IN MAKING GRUFFALO CRUMBLE](#)—find out what Gruffalo Crumble is and how Reception made this tasty treat!
- [CELEBRATING THE LATEST PROJECT SUPPORTED BY THE WPCA: PLAYGROUND MURALS](#)—we are in awe with how quickly our pupils have embraced and are enjoying the newly painted playground murals. Read more about our wonderful Parent and Community Association and how they made this project possible.
- [WELCOMING BABY EDEN JOSHUA WREN MCGRATH](#)—Congratulations to Mrs Teale and her husband on welcoming their new born son Eden!

PUPIL SPOTLIGHT : CELEBRATING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS BEYOND SCHOOL

- [CELEBRATING SUCCESS:DANIELLE SHINES BRIGHT AT CHESS TOURNAMENT](#)—read all about how Danielle triumphed at her first external chess tournament.

USEFUL LINKS

SCHOOL FORMS

SCHOOL MEALS

TERM DATES

WHITEKNIGHTS PARENT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION
NOTICE BOARD



**Thursday
23 May 2024**

**Sports Day
&
Summer Fair**

Raffle competition

This year there will be a prize for the class that sells the most raffle tickets! The winning class will be rewarded with ice lollies on **Friday 24th May.**

Note:

- For the tickets to be counted in the competition they need to be returned before end of the day on **Tuesday 21st May** and the **child's class MUST be written on the ticket stub.**
- Tickets can be returned later and still entered into the raffle, but will not be counted towards the class competition if received after this date.
- Please return ALL tickets to the school (including those unsold so that they can be reused)
- Please ensure contact details are recorded clearly so that you don't miss out on a prize!

SUMMER FAIR TOKENS NOW AVAILABLE!

We are asking parents to make a voluntary donation of £5 (or more, if possible) **via scopay.**

Donations will enable us to provide **each pupil** with 10 tokens to enjoy the activities at the fair.

Additional tokens will be available to purchase via scopay or on the day.

Lots of prizes to be won!

Many of our favourite stalls returning:

Lucky Dip, Adopt a Teddy, Lucky Lolly, Bouncy Castle, Tombola and many more!



WPCA RAFFLE NOTICE

Token booklets will be sent home with pupils on Friday 10th May.

*Please return the unsold tickets/stubs and money to the office by
Tuesday 21st May.*

£1.00 a ticket

Lots of prizes to be won!

1ST PRIZE: £100

2ND PRIZE: Luxury Hamper

3RD PRIZE: Champagne

*Many others including: Freebies from local businesses,
voucher from Brigade (school uniform shop), brewery tour,
holiday camp vouchers, Wellington Country Park tickets
and many more.*

*Reminder: please ensure contact details are
included on ticket stubs in order to notify
prize winners.*



We're looking for more volunteers!

**We require parent volunteers to assist with
varying tasks before and during the
Sports Day and Summer Fair.**

*Thanks a
chameleon!*



*If you think you may be able to assist,
speak to one of your class
representatives or email us.*

GET IN TOUCH

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