

# WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



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## WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

| MONDAY<br>04 MARCH | TUESDAY<br>05 MARCH                                       | WEDNESDAY<br>06 MARCH                            | THURSDAY<br>07 MARCH   | FRIDAY<br>08 MARCH  |
|--------------------|---|--|--|---|
|                    | Year 6 Geography Walking Field Trip (within school hours) | School tour for prospective new parents - 1:30pm | Reception Classes 'Going on a Bear Hunt' (within school hours)                           | Pupils celebrating World Book Day—dress up (further details on next page) |
|                    |   |  | Year 5 Parent Info Evening for Residential trip in Dec 2024 3:30pm in Sapphire Classroom | Reception Classes 'Going on a Bear Hunt' (within school hours)            |
|                    |   |  |  |   |

**KEY:**

WHOLE SCHOOL

YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC

OTHER

+ONLINE SCHOOL CALENDAR AND EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

OVERALL TOTAL: 96.36%



|             |        |                |        |
|-------------|--------|----------------|--------|
| REC—Crystal | 95.33% | Y4—Amethyst    | 88.00% |
| REC—Pearl   | 90.67% | Y4—Jasper      | 98.67% |
| Y1—Amber    | 97.33% | Y5—Emerald     | 99.67% |
| Y1—Jade     | 95.67% | Y5—Onyx        | XX%    |
| Y2—Opal     | 99.67% | Y5—Sapphire    | 96.45% |
| Y2—Topaz    | 97.67% | Y6—Obsidian    | 95.00% |
| Y3—Diamond  | 98.62% | Y6—Ruby        | 98.00% |
| Y3—Garnet   | 95.00% | Y6—Tiger's Eye | 98.00% |

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Every Child | In School | On Time | Every Day

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

| <b><u>Spring Term</u></b>                   |   |
|---|---|
| Tuesday, 5th March                          | Year 6 Geography field trip—walk around local area  |
| Wednesday, 6th March                        | School tour for prospective new parents - 1:30pm  |
| Thursday, 7th March                         | Year 5 Parent Information Evening for residential trip in December 2024<br>3:30pm in Sapphire Classroom |
| Friday, 8th March                           | Pupils celebrating World Book Day   |
| Monday, 11th —Friday 22nd March             | Living Eggs—Chicks in school  |
| Wednesday, 13th March                       | Year 3 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall   |
| Friday, 15th March                          | Red Nose Day—non-uniform, but wear red giving a £1 donation at the gate                                 |
| Friday, 15th March                          | Olympic Athlete visit to whole school   |
| Tuesday, 19th March                         | Year 2 SPLAT—2pm start in the school hall   |
| Wednesday, 20th March                       | Year 1 Trip to Didcot Railway Centre (within school hours)  |
| Wednesday, 20th March                       | Queen's Gambit Chess Tournament @ Whiteknights (more details to follow)                                 |
| Friday, 22nd March                          | Year 3/4 Girls Football Tournament at Whiteknights School   |
| Friday, 22nd March                          | 'Parenting Anxious Children' Workshop in Onyx Classroom 2:00pm—3:00pm                                   |
| Monday, 25th March                          | Parents' Evening—4:30pm start (more details to follow)  |
| Tuesday, 26th March                         | Year 3 and Year 4 Easter Production to parents - 9:00am and *2:15pm                                     |
| Tuesday, 26th March                         | Parents' Evening—3:40pm start (more details to follow)  |
| Tuesday, 26th March & Wednesday, 27th March | Easter Egg-Rolling Competition (within school hours)  |
| Thursday, 28th March                        | Reception Re-Inspired session (within school hours)   |
| Thursday, 28th March                        | Easter Bonnet Parade (within school hours)  |
| Thursday, 28th March                        | End of term. School finishes at 1pm   |
| <b><u>Summer Term</u></b>                   |   |
| Monday, 29th April                          | Year 5 Dance Workshop (within school hours)   |

# WHOLE-SCHOOL NOTICES

- ACTIVKIDS UK—OLYMPIC ATHLETE TO VISIT 15TH MARCH:** Activkids UK will be visiting the school on the 15th March. Just a reminder that the sponsorship money needs to be returned to the school office **BEFORE** the event. You may also [download/print](#) one from our website




- PARENTING ANXIOUS CHILDREN:** Friday 22nd March. Just a reminder to book you place, first come, first served. [BOOK HERE](#)

## PARENTING ANXIOUS CHILDREN

Whiteknights is delighted present an informative and practical workshop designed specifically for parents of children dealing with anxiety. With only 20 spaces available on a first-come, first-served basis, seize the opportunity to equip yourself with valuable insights and strategies. For further details, please reach out to our Home-School Link Worker, Ms. Collard

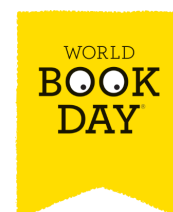
**22 MARCH | 2-3PM | ONYX CLASS**

[BOOK NOW](#)



Whiteknights is proud to be part of the Mental Health Team Support in schools (MHST)

- Join us for our World Book Day celebration on **Friday, March 8th!** We invite children to dress up as their favourite book character and bring the book along for an immersive experience. Get creative with cost-effective costume ideas by searching 'easy outfits to make for World Book Day.'



Don't forget, every child will receive a £1 World Book Day token, redeemable at most bookshops. Plus, you can also use them at our **Scholastic Book Fair during the week of March 11th.** Stay tuned for more details!

- LARA SCHOOL OF DRAMA:** Please see letter and complete the form to book Summer Term Sessions!

[Letter and Booking Form](#)

We would like to share another exciting letter we received this week.

What a wonderful achievement!

Congratulations to everyone.



**Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP**  
Minister for Schools

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Mr Francois Walker  
Whiteknights Primary School  
Fairlawn Green  
Berkshire  
RG2 8EP

5 February 2024

*Dear Mr Walker,*

I would like to congratulate you, your staff and your pupils on the very high standard of achievement demonstrated in the reading, writing and mathematics Key Stage 2 assessment last year.

Your school's results, as published on 14 December, show that 93 per cent of your pupils reached or exceeded the expected standard in reading, writing and mathematics at the end of Key stage 2. This means that for achievement in reading, writing and mathematics, Whiteknights Primary School is in the top 1 per cent of primary schools in the country.

The government wants to ensure that every child has the fluency in reading, writing and mathematics necessary to prepare them for a successful secondary education and beyond, which is why I was delighted to see your results.

Thank you for your work in continuing the drive towards higher academic standards, and congratulations again to you and your staff for your commitment and success.

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'D. Hinds'.

**Damian Hinds**  
Minister for Schools



# What's on the menu?

Monday 4th March — Friday 8th March

**HARRISON**  
food with thought

## MONDAY

Cheesy Tomato & Basil Pasta with Salad Selection  
Indian Style Biryani with Tomato, Cucumber & Mint Salad  
Sweetcorn & Green Beans  
Orange & Lemon Sponge Cake with Custard

## TUESDAY

Creole Style Chicken with Vegetable Rice  
Chickpea & Vegetable Chow Mein Style Noodles  
Garlic Greens & Carrots  
Strawberry Jelly with Watermelon Slice

## WEDNESDAY

Chicken Sausages with Potato Wedges & Coleslaw  
Vegetarian Sausages with Potato Wedges & Coleslaw  
Baked Beans/Broccoli  
Lemon Shortbread with Fresh Fruit Wedges

## THURSDAY

Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with New Potatoes  
Tuscan Style Tomato & Bean Pasta  
Roast Courgettes/Carrots  
Chocolate Marble Cake & Chocolate Sauce

## FRIDAY

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

WEEK ONE  
19th Feb, 14th Mar, 1st & 22nd Apr, 13th May, 3rd & 24th Jun, 15th Jul

WEEK TWO  
24th Feb, 18th Mar, 8th & 29th Apr, 20th May, 10th Jun, 1st July

W/C  
4th Mar  
15th Apr, 6th & 13th May, 17th Jun, 8th Jul

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



Look out for monthly featured ingredients.



# WE WILL BE CELEBRATING

*Red Nose Day*

FRIDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

WEAR SOMETHING  
RED - £1 DONATION



We are excited for pupils to participate in this non-uniform day, all we ask is that they wear something red and bring in a £1 voluntary donation towards Comic Relief.

# GROUP-SPECIFIC NOTICES

## NURSERY : Notices and Reminders

- [Knowledge Organiser](#)

## RECEPTION : Notices and Reminders

- **RECEPTION GOING ON A BEAR HUNT:** Reception will be going on a bear hunt on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March around the school. Please could you provide appropriate footwear (such as wellies or trainers) and an additional pair of trousers in a named bag for your child to change in to. Please bring this bag of items into school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

## YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 : Notices and Reminders

- **YEAR 1:** White Rose Maths Practice Journals— Kindly ensure that your child completes the Maths homework as set out below:
- **YEAR 2:** White Rose Maths homework — kindly ensure that your child completes the Maths homework as set out below:

| Homework due date   | Pages |
|---|-------|
| 26 <sup>th</sup> February (week 2)                        | 45-50 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> March (week 3)                            | 51-57 |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> March (week 4)                           | 58-63 |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> March (week 5)                           | 64-70 |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> March February (week 6)                  | 71-77 |
| Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April (after the Easter holidays) | 78-85 |

### Year 2 - White Rose Maths Home Learning

| Week Commencing                  | Pages   | Deadline                         |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February | 32 - 35 | Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February |
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> February | 36 - 38 | Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March     |
| Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> March     | 39 - 41 | Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March    | 42 - 43 | Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March    |
| Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March    | 44 - 47 | Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March    |

## YEAR 3 and YEAR 4 : Notices and Reminders

- **YEAR 4 COSTUMES FOR PERFORMANCE:** The children have placed their costume slip into the plastic wallet of their reading record/home learning diary. This gives you a rough idea for what to prepare for their costumes. If you have any questions or matters you would like to discuss regarding your child's costume, please talk to your child's class teacher. Thank you.

## YEAR 5 and YEAR 6 : Notices and Reminders

- **YEAR 5 PARENT INFORMATION EVENING:** You are invited to a Year 5 Parent Information Evening for the residential trip in December 2024—3:30pm in Sapphire Classroom. The presentation should last roughly half an hour.
- **YEAR 6 SATs INFO PRESENTATION:** Please view the [SATs presentation](#) shared at our info meeting with valuable information regarding the SATs in May.

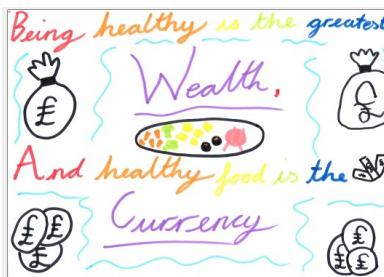
# CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

Shining a spotlight on school life and pupil achievement

## JIGSAW—PSHE

## SAYING OF THE WEEK

This week we have been celebrating people who:  
**Have eaten a healthy, balanced diet.**



“A healthy outside starts from the inside”

## COMPOSER OF THE WEEK



Read about our '[Composer of the Week](#)', George Frideric Handel.

We are still enjoying Handel's *Water Music*. This piece was actually commissioned by King George I to be performed during a concert on the river Thames. Over 50 musicians performed aboard boats as they floated down the river.

## MINECRAFT BUILDER OF THE WEEK



Congratulations to this week's Minecraft Quick Build winner for his fantastic build of a caterpillar!.

Brilliant work Oliver!



## LEARNER SHOWCASE : SCHOOL LIFE AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

- **YEAR 3 ECO WARRIORS:** Year 3 enjoyed an engaging eco workshop this week, igniting change and championing sustainability! Read more about the fun they had during this curriculum enrichment opportunity. [Year 3 Eco Warriors](#)

## USEFUL LINKS

[SCHOOL FORMS](#)

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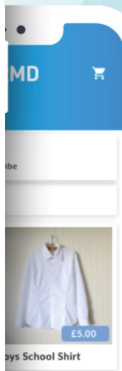
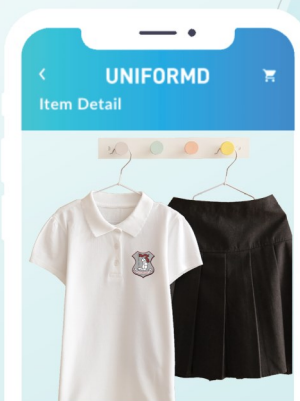
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# BAG 2 SCHOOL TOTAL RAISED: £127