

# THE WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



19<sup>th</sup> December 2025—Issue No: 15

FIRST WEEK AFTER  
CHRISTMAS BREAK

<b>Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Pupils Return to School
<b>Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> January</b>	School Tour at 09:45
<b>Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Lara Drama First Session (Reception—Y 2)  Chess Club Starts (Y 3—Y 6)  STEMbotics Club Starts (Y 2—Y 6)
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<b>Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Lara Drama First Session (Y 3—Y 6)  School Tour at 13:30

## ON THE MENU

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

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Macaroni Cheese with Side Salad Sweet Potato & Chickpea Falafel with Pitta & Salad Glazed Carrots & Peas Vanilla Shortbread	Chicken Pie with Potato Wedges Vegetable Pie with Potato Wedges Carrots & Green Beans Wholemeal Lemon Shortbread with Custard	Pork Sausages with Mashed Potato & Gravy Vegetable Sausages with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Glazed Carrots & Peas Pear & Chocolate Crumble with Custard	Beef Bolognese with Spaghetti Quorn Bolognese with Spaghetti Broccoli & Sweetcorn Orange Jelly with Fresh Fruit Slices	Battered Fish & Chips with Tomato Sauce Cornish Style Vegetable Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce Peas & Baked Beans Chocolate Chip Oat Cookie



### NEW LUNCH MENU

Don't forget—when we return in January, we have a new menu. Please ensure you check the meal options, before ordering.

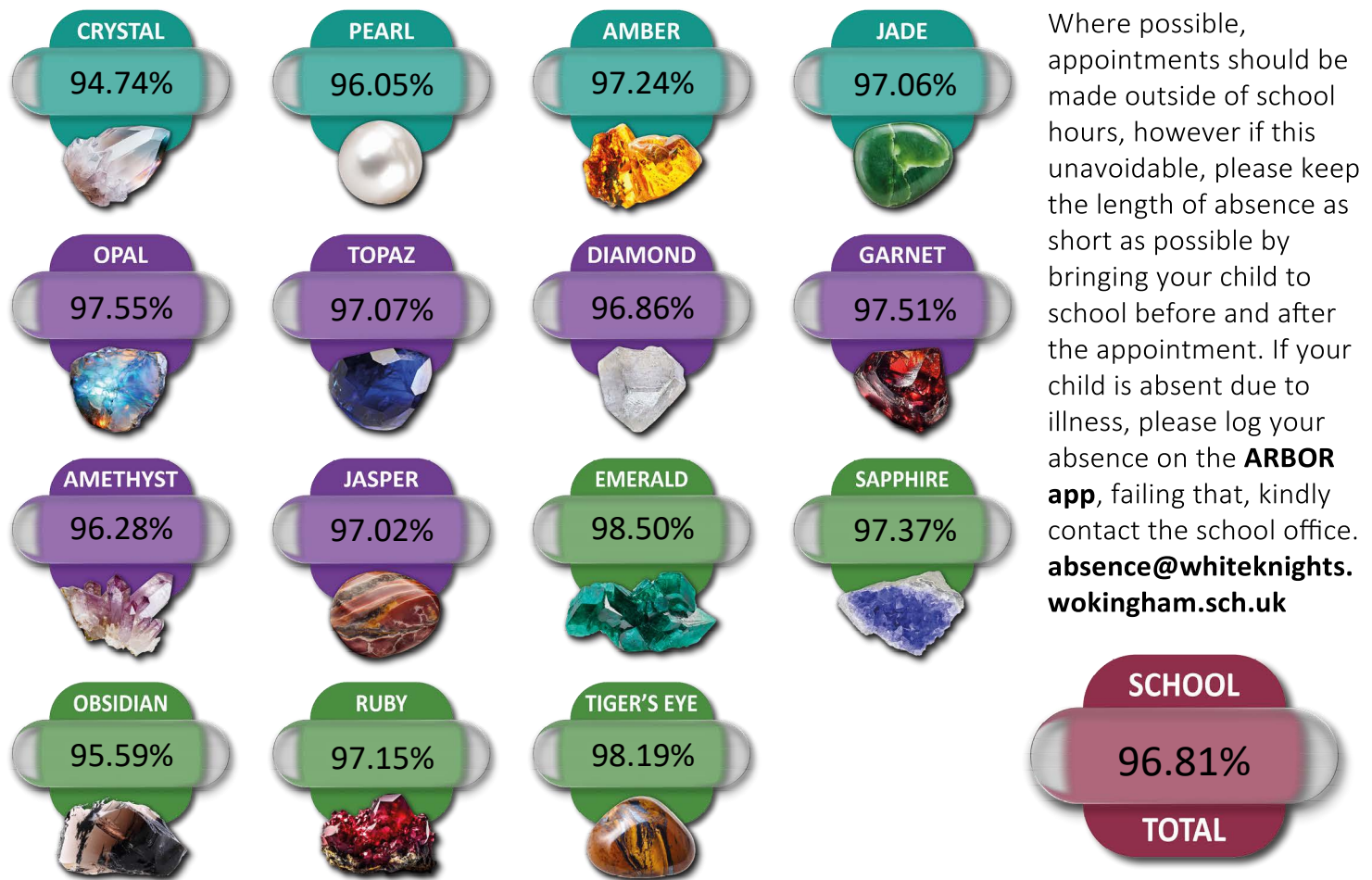


By embracing challenge, nurturing wonder and aspiring to new heights, we **"Grow in Greatness"**.

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

✓ EVERY CHILD  
✓ IN SCHOOL

✓ ON TIME  
✓ EVERY DAY



When you're not in school you miss out on...



Learning new skills



Good assessment results



Support and help



Time with friends



Best chance to succeed

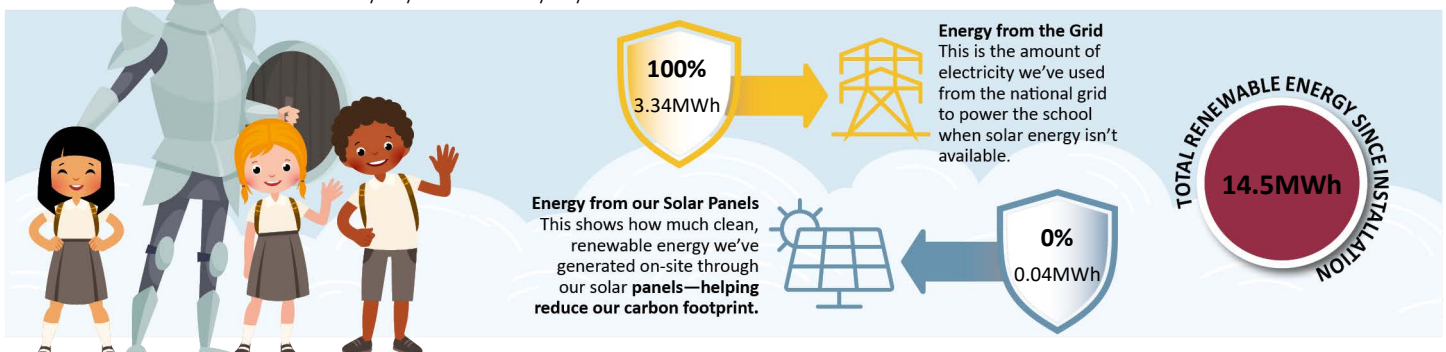


School activities



## The Whitenights NET ZERO Quest

WEEK: 12/12/2025 TO 18/12/2025





## TERM DATES FOR 2026-2027

We are pleased to announce that the dates for the next academic year has been finalised. These dates are available to view on the [website](#) and by clicking on the image to the right.

## SPRING MENU STARTING 5<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2026

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## ADMISSIONS CONSULTATIONS

Reading School invites your views on the following proposed changes to Reading School's admissions policies—the proposed policies can be found below:



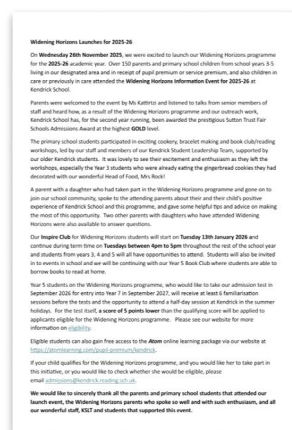
[Admissions Consultation](#)

We look forward to hearing your feedback via this [short survey](#) before 28th January 2026.

## KENDRICK SCHOOL WIDENING HORIZONS LAUNCH 2025—2026

Please see the letter from Kendrick School regarding the launch of their Widening Horizons Programme for 2025 2026.

Please click on letter to view larger version.



## PUPIL PREMIUM

### WHAT IS PUPIL PREMIUM?

The Government provides funds to schools to help children from families with lower income, or in challenging situations. This funding is called Pupil Premium.

Pupil Premium is additional to main school funding; evidence suggests that this is the best way to address the current underlying inequalities between children by ensuring that funding to tackle disadvantaged pupils reaches the children who need it the most.

Schools decide how the Pupil Premium is spent, since they are best placed to assess what additional provision should be made for the individual pupils within their responsibility. Schools are held accountable for how they have used the additional funding to support children from disadvantaged families.

### WPS - PUPIL PREMIUM STRATEGY 2025-2026

For 2025-2026, Whiteknights Primary School will receive **£115,440** to support disadvantaged pupils.

We spend our finances on initiatives which give pupils the best possible chance to make good progress at school. The money is supporting booster classes, before and after school clubs, school visits (including residential trips), swimming, holiday activities for vulnerable families and ensuring that *Learning Support Assistants (LSAs)* are on hand in every class to support learning. We review our strategy for using the pupil premium funding at the beginning of each academic year.

We encourage families to apply as this funding provides long-term benefits for the school and can support your child's education throughout their primary years.

ELIGIBILITY AND APPLYING FOR PUPIL PREMIUM AND FREE SCHOOL MEALS

EYFS PUPIL PREMIUM APPLICATION FORM

PUPIL PREMIUM APPLICATION FORM

IMPORTANT

## EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS SPRING TERM 2026

We offer a variety of exciting after-school clubs, run by both external providers and our dedicated staff. Below is the full list of clubs available for the Spring Term. **Please click on the links to make bookings.**

**Please note:** Bookings via Arbor are currently open and will **close two weeks after each club's start date**. No bookings will be accepted after the two week cut-off. Spaces are limited and allocated on a first-come, first-served basis, so please secure your place early to avoid disappointment.

Activity	Day	Year group	Dates	Booking
Choir	Monday	Yrs 3 - 6	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
11+	Monday	Yrs 4- 5	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Little Historians	Monday	Yrs 1 - 3	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Outdoor adventures	Monday	R - Yr2	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Sports4kids</a>
Creative Art	Monday	R - Yr2	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Story book craft	Monday	R- Yr2	12/01/2026 - 16/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>

Activity	Day	Year group	Dates	Booking
Debate	Tuesday	Yrs 4- 6	13/01/2026 - 17/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Football	Tuesday	R - Y2	13/01/2026 - 17/03/2026	<a href="#">Sports4kids</a>
French	Tuesday	Yrs 1 –3	13/01/2026 - 17/03/2026	<a href="#">French Club Letter</a>
Dough Disco	Tuesday	R - Yr2	13/01/2026 - 17/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Computing	Tuesday	Yrs 3-5	13/01/2026 - 17/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>

Activity	Day	Year group	Dates	Booking
Drama	Wednesday	R- Yr 2	07/01/2026 - 11/03/2026	<a href="#">Drama Club Letter</a>
Chess	Wednesday	Yrs 3 - 6	07/01/2026 - 18/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Basketball	Wednesday	Y3 - Y6	14/01/2026 - 18/03/2026	<a href="#">Sports4kids</a>
STEMbotics	Wednesday	Yrs 2 -6	07/01/2026 - 25/03/2026	<a href="#">STEMbotics Booking</a>
Girls Football	Wednesday	Yrs 3 - Y6	14/01/2026 - 18/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>

Activity	Day	Year group	Dates	Booking
Tennis	Thursday	Yrs 1 - 2	15/01/2026 - 19/03/2025	<a href="#">Tennis Booking</a>
Football	Thursday	Y3 - Y6	15/01/2026 - 19/03/2026	<a href="#">Sports4kids</a>
Arts and Crafts	Thursday	Yrs 2 -6	15/01/2026 - 19/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>
Colouring	Thursday	R - Yr 1	15/01/2026 - 19/03/2026	<a href="#">Arbor</a>

Activity	Day	Year group	Dates	Booking
Drama	Friday	Yrs 3 - 6	09/01/2026 - 13/03/2026	<a href="#">Drama Club Letter</a>
Multi Skills	Friday	R - Yr 2	16/01/2026 - 20/03/2026	<a href="#">Sports4kids</a>



# SPORT4KIDS

S4K After School Club is an extension of the school day, aimed at supporting working parents, but also giving children the chance to enjoy physical and mental well-being activities. Every day is different giving variety to your child across the week. The sessions are run by our passionate S4K coaches - teaching a mix of sports and fun physical games and craft and alternative activities designed to help children relax and unwind. Each child is also provided with a nutritional snack choice at our breakfast and after school clubs.

Clubs include: Football,  
Basketball, Multi Skills, and  
Outdoor Adventures

CLICK FOR  
BOOKINGS



**JANUARY  
ONWARDS**  
*CLICK HERE*

**YOUNG ENGINEERS READING**  
STEM Learning Through motorised LEGO® models and Coding!

**Whiteknights STEMBOTICS Club**  
Wednesdays 3:30–5:00pm  
7th January – 25th March  
For Year 2 – Year 6



Join us for a hands-on STEM adventure where children learn real engineering principles through exciting motorised LEGO® models.

Next term we'll be exploring speed-increasing and speed-decreasing gears through models such as:

- Electric Screwdriver
- Windmill
- Rescue Winch
- Lawn Mower

**BRICKS CHALLENGE**

**DUE TO SPACE AND KIT AVAILABILITY, PLACES ARE STRICTLY LIMITED.**  
Parents of children currently attending club: Please check your email for your child's priority renewal link.



**REMAINING SPACES WILL BE  
RELEASED ON WEDNESDAY  
3RD DECEMBER AT 7:00PM  
BOOK AT:**



<https://reading.young-engineers.co.uk/location-and-program/>  
Spaces will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.



## MATT REID PROCOACHING—TENNIS CLUB

THURSDAYS: 3.30PM TO 4.30PM

YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2

LEVEL: BEGINNER

PRICE: £63 FOR 9 SESSIONS

A fun filled session for all levels. Learning and developing sending and receiving and racket control, in a game based way. All equipment provided.

15/01/26, 22/01/26, 29/01/26, 05/02/26, 12/02/26, 26/02/26,  
05/03/26, 12/03/26 and 19/03/26

**CLICK FOR BOOKINGS**





# LIBRARY BUNTING COMPETITION & WINTER READING CHALLENGE!

WE'RE INVITING ALL PUPILS TO TAKE PART IN OUR  
FESTIVE BUNTING COMPETITION AND WINTER  
READING CHALLENGE!

## WHAT YOU NEED TO DO:

### LIBRARY BUNTING COMPETITION

HELP US CREATE A BRILLIANT  
DISPLAY ACROSS OUR LIBRARY!

1. DOWNLOAD AND PRINT  
THE TEMPLATE
2. DRAW OR WRITE  
SOMETHING ABOUT  
YOUR FAVOURITE BOOK  
OR POEM.
3. MAKE IT BRIGHT  
AND COLOURFUL

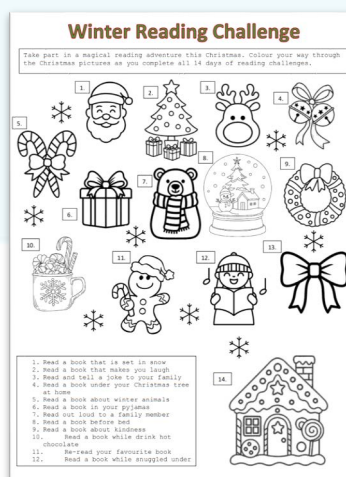
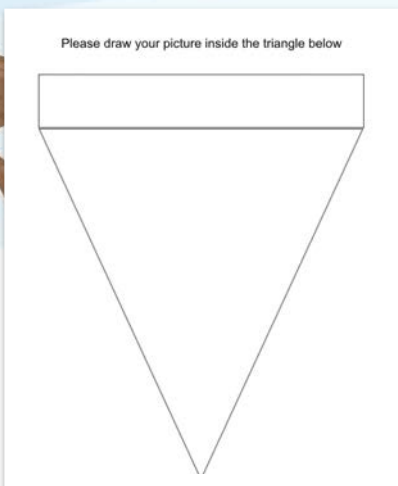
IF CHOSEN, YOUR CREATION WILL  
BE MADE INTO BEAUTIFUL,  
COLOURFUL BUNTING FOR ALL TO SEE  
IN THE LIBRARY!

REMEMBER TO INCLUDE YOUR NAME  
AND CLASS ON THE BACK OF YOUR  
DESIGN.

### WINTER READING CHALLENGE

TAKE PART IN A MAGICAL  
READING ADVENTURE THIS  
CHRISTMAS.

1. DOWNLOAD AND PRINT THE  
TEMPLATE
2. COLOUR YOUR WAY THROUGH  
THE CHRISTMAS PICTURES AS  
YOU COMPLETE ALL 14  
DAYS OF READING  
CHALLENGES.



  
**CLICK TO  
DOWNLOAD**

Please pop into the office  
should you require a print  
out of the bunting or the  
challenge.

# CLASS NOTICES



## NURSERY LITTLE GEMS

### KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

Please click on the thumbnail to view the knowledge organizer showing what your child will be learning about in class over the next two weeks.



## RECEPTION CRYSTAL & PEARL

### KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER

Please click on the thumbnail to view the knowledge organizer showing what your child will be learning about in class for when we return.



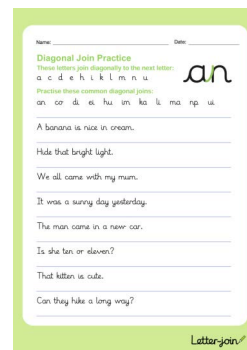
## YEAR 2 OPAL & TOPAZ

### YEAR 2 HORIZONTAL AND DIAGONAL JOINS

Please click on the thumbnails to enlarge .

These are Worksheets for horizontal and diagonal joins for your child to practice.

Should you require hard copies, then please do ask the school office.



### MATHS HOMEWORK

Year 2 Maths homework due dates and which pages need to be completed for next half term.

Year 2	
Homework due date	Pages to complete
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> January	42 to 43
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	45 to 47
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> January	48 to 50
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	52 to 54
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	55 to 57



## YEAR 3 DIAMOND & GARNET

### DIAMOND CLASS ENRICHMENT

Diamond class will be off their usual afternoon timetable for the three weeks listed below. They will be participating in Sports, Outdoor/ Nutritional Learning or Science Lab!

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January (Week 2 of spring 1)

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January (Week 3 spring 1)

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (Week 4 spring 1)

The class will be split into three different groups, and take turns to partake in the activities, changing weekly. Your child has been given a letter to say which group they are in and what clothes they will need and for which date. There will be a food tasting sessions, but permissions and more information will come out in a separate communication.

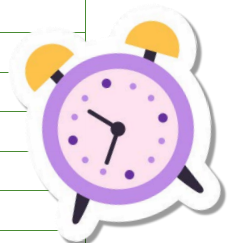




# UPCOMING EVENTS



Monday, 5th Jan	Staff and Pupils Return to School
Tuesday, 6th Jan	School Tour at 09:45
Wednesday, 7th Jan	Lara Drama Sessions Begin (Reception—Y2)
	Chess Club Starts (Y3—Y6)
	STEMbotics Club Starts (Y2—Y6)
Thursday, 8th Jan	Jasper Class Start Swimming Lessons
Friday, 9th Jan	Lara Drama Sessions Begin (Y 3—Y 6)
	School Tour at 13:30
Monday, 12th Jan	Whiteknights Teacher Led Clubs Begin This Week
Wednesday, 14th Jan	Y 4 SPLAT at 14:00
Thursday, 15th Jan	Y 5 Library Trip (Emerald Class)
	Librarian Visit to Little Gems ( PM Session)
Monday, 19th Jan	Eco Council Meeting (at Whiteknights)
Thursday, 22nd Jan	REInspired Visit to Y 6
	Y 5 Library Trip (Sapphire Class)
Tuesday, 27th Jan	Little City Visit Little Gems 09:00—11:00
Friday, 30th Jan	Y 1 Trip to Milestones, Basingstoke
Wednesday, 4th Feb	Librarian Visit to Little Gems (AM Session)
Thursday, 5th Feb	Y 2 SPLAT at 14:00
Tuesday, 10th Feb	Nursery SPLAT at 14:00
	Y 5 and Y 6 Girls Netball Tournament
Wednesday, 11th Feb	Chinese Dragon Dance Visit Reception
Friday, 12th Feb	Y 3 REInspired Visit
	Reception SPLAT at 14:00
Friday, 13th Feb	Non Uniform Day—Wear Something Red for £1 Donation
Monday 16th Feb—	Half Term
Monday, 23rd Feb	SATS Information Evening at 17:00
Tuesday, 24th Feb	Y 5 and Y 6 Girls Netball Tournament
Friday, 27th Feb	Y 5 and Y 6 SPLAT at 14:00
Monday, 2nd Mar	Eco Council to University of Reading
Tuesday, 3rd Mar	Y 5 and Y 6 Girls Netball Tournament
Wednesday, 4th Mar	Y 3 SPLAT at 14:00
Friday, 6th Mar	World Book Day—More Details to Follow
Wednesday, 11th Mar	Lara Drama Performance 15:30—16:30 (Reception—Y 2) <b>Last Session</b>
Friday, 13th Mar	Lara Drama Performance 15:30—14:30 (Y 3—Y 6) <b>Last Session</b>
	Book Fair 15:30—16:00





Monday, 16th Mar—	Book Fair 15:30—16:00
Wednesday, 18th Mar	Y 1 SPLAT at 14:00
Thursday, 19th Mar	Final Swimming Session for Jasper Class
Monday, 23rd Mar	Y 3 & 4 Dress Rehearsal 13:30 in the School Hall
Tuesday, 24th Mar	Y 3 & 4 Production to Parents 09:30
	Y 3 & 4 Production to Parents 13:30
	Parent Consultations 15:40—18:10
Wednesday, 25th Mar	Parent Consultations 16:00—18:30
Thursday, 26th Mar	Egg Rolling Competition
	Y 2 STEMbotics Workshop
Friday, 27th Mar	Easter Bonnet Parade
	Last Day of Term School Finishes at 15:20. No ASC running today
Monday, 13th Apr	Staff and Pupils Return to School



## WPS SHOWCASE: SCHOOL LIFE, NEWS AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

Discover the latest school news, including classroom highlights, sporting events, school trips and more.

## CHRISTMAS DECORATION WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following children for their marvellous decorations that adorned our Christmas tree in the reception area. The children were awarded prizes for their hard work and creativity! It was tough to judge, so well done everyone!!

Year Group	First Prize	Runner-up
Little Gems	Annie	Jarvis
Reception	Chloe	-
Year 1	Felix	Yuvaan
Year 2	Maya	Sophie
Year 3	Sarah	Alex
Year 4	Dylan	-
Year 5	Korey	Sofia
Year 6	Deniz	Sienna



CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS











### A FESTIVE WEEK IN AND OUTSIDE SCHOOL

The final week of the Autumn term has been a busy one as we brought the term to a close.

Year 4 embarked on their residential visit to Burwell House Manor, where pupils completed a range of activities including team-building challenges, orienteering, and creative production work such as filming and directing.

Year 1 and Year 2 performed their nativity to pupils and families, while Nursery and Reception also welcomed families into school to watch a short nativity production featuring a very grumpy innkeeper.

We also marked the season with our Christmas Jumper Day, followed by a Christmas lunch enjoyed by pupils and staff. In addition, Year 5 led a Carol Service for Key Stage 2 pupils.

Thank you to pupils, staff and families for their support throughout the term. We wish everyone a restful break and look forward to welcoming pupils back in the New Year.









# WPCA NOTICES



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**Whiteknights Primary School**

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**Order portals open NOW until the**  
**31/12/2025**

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only so don't delay!**

**Use code** **Whiteknights1X25**

**during checkout for 10% off your order!**

One use only. Excludes VAT and P&P. Not automatically applied and cannot be added once an order has been confirmed. Valid for a limited time from the portal opening date, not the date that you receive this leaflet. For specific end date, please contact your child's school/group.



**Username** **Whiteknights1**

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NB: Username and Access Code are case and space sensitive, so please be careful when entering the details into the portal.

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