

# THE WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW

16<sup>th</sup> January 2026—Issue No: 17



**NEXT WEEK**

<b>Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
<b>Tuesday, 20<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
<b>Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January</b>	
<b>Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January</b>	REInspired Visit to Y 6  Year 5 Library Trip (Sapphire Class)
<b>Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> January</b>	

## ON THE MENU

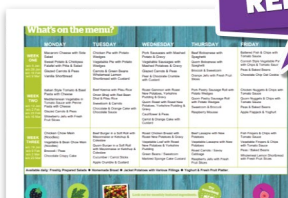
Available daily: Freshly Baked Bread, Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings, Salad Selection, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Chicken Chow Mein (Noodles) Vegetable & Bean Chow Mein (Noodles) Broccoli / Peas Chocolate Crispy Cake	Beef Burger in a Soft Roll with Mayonnaise or Ketchup & Coleslaw Quorn Burger in a Soft Roll with Mayonnaise or Ketchup & Coleslaw Cucumber / Carrot Sticks Apple Crumble & Custard	Roast Chicken Breast with Roast New Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable Loaf with Roast New Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Green Beans / Sweetcorn Marbled Sponge Cake Custard	Beef Lasagne with New Potatoes Vegetable Lasagne with New Potatoes Roast Carrots / Savoy Cabbage Raspberry Jelly with Fresh Fruit Slices	Fish Fingers & Chips with Tomato Sauce Vegetable Fingers & Chips with Tomato Sauce Peas / Baked Beans Wholemeal Lemon Shortbread with Fresh Fruit Slices

## REMINDER

### NEW SPRING MENU

Please click on picture for larger image.



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

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



EVERY CHILD



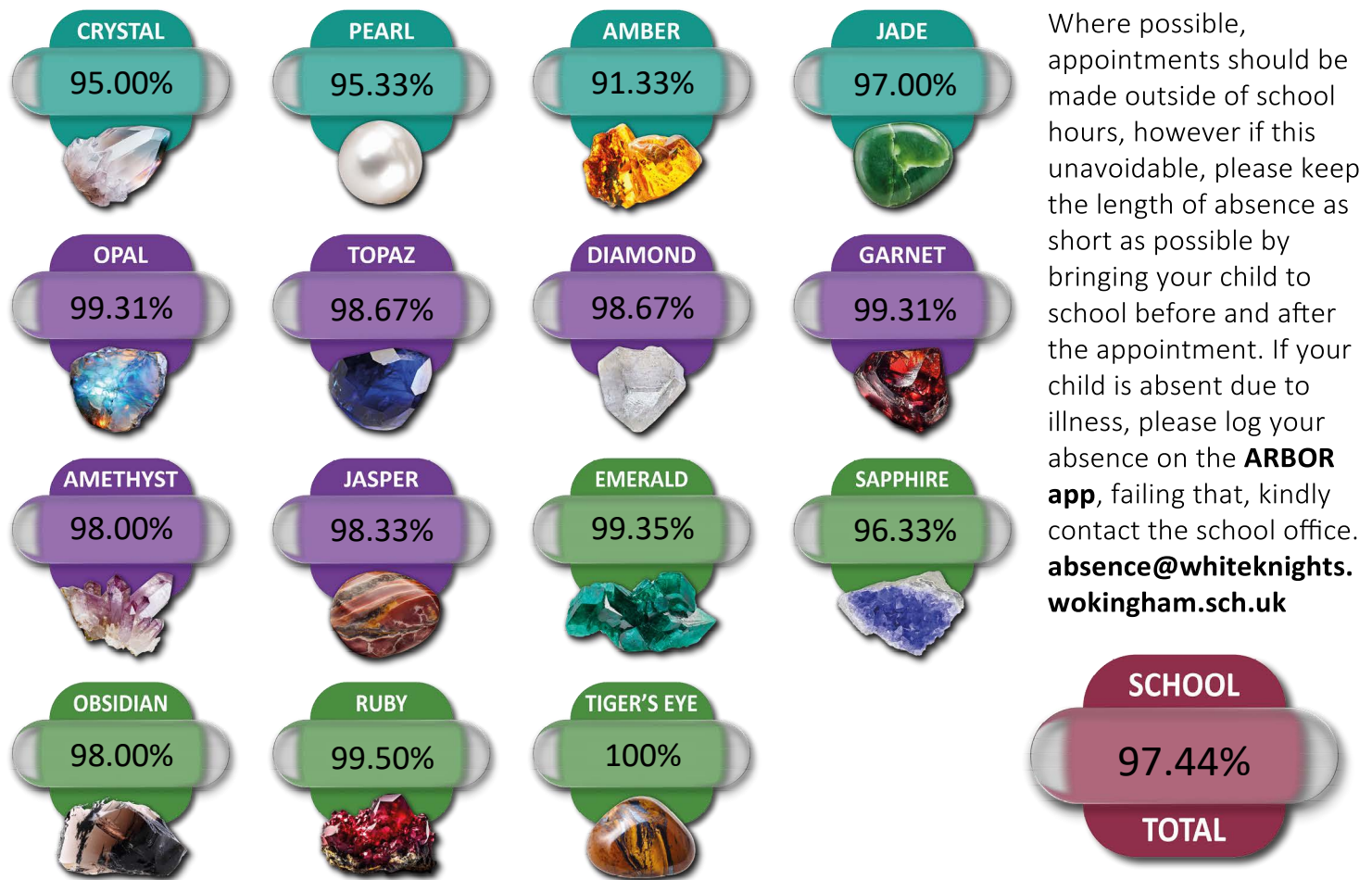
IN SCHOOL



ON TIME



EVERY DAY



Where possible, appointments should be made outside of school hours, however if this unavoidable, please keep the length of absence as short as possible by bringing your child to school before and after the appointment. If your child is absent due to illness, please log your absence on the **ARBOR app**, failing that, kindly contact the school office. [absence@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:absence@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk)

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

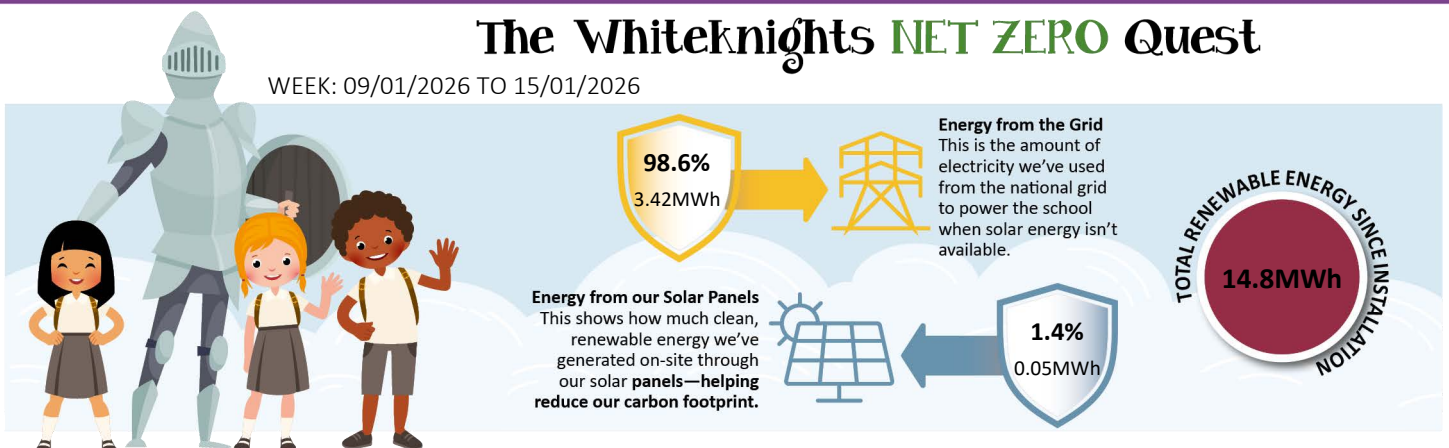


School activities



## The Whiteknights NET ZERO Quest

WEEK: 09/01/2026 TO 15/01/2026





## DONATIONS PLEASE

Thank you for the kind donations of underwear as requested last week, but we are still in need of some more (aged 6+) Please hand in to the school office if you are able to help.

We received one fabulously large golfing umbrella last week, but would really love another one.

Thank you!

## WINTER UNIFORM

Just a reminder that children should be in their winter uniform, with a warm, waterproof coat:  
For further information please refer to our **UNIFORM POLICY**

*Remember—no children's umbrellas into school!*

Girls:	Boys :	Other items:
<b>Compulsory</b> grey v-neck sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan <b>with school logo</b>	<b>Compulsory</b> grey v-neck sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan <b>with school logo</b>	Children with pierced ears may wear one pair of stud earrings to school.
White collared blouse (long or short sleeved)	White collared shirt (long or short sleeved)	
<b>Compulsory</b> school tie (KS2)	<b>Compulsory</b> school tie (KS2)	Plain watches (not toy watches) may be worn; however, they must be removed prior to playing sport and during PE lessons.
Charcoal grey pinafore, skirt or skorts	Charcoal grey trousers or shorts	
Grey socks, tights or white socks	Grey or white socks	
Sensible black shoes	Sensible black shoes	
<b>Summer:</b> red/white gingham dress or a white polo shirt	<b>Summer:</b> white polo shirt	If there is a religious reason for wearing jewellery, please seek permission from the Headteacher.
<b>Hair:</b>		
Hair should be kept tidy. Hair covering eyes must be clipped back to ensure it is away from the eyes and long hair should be tied back with a plain grey, brown or black hair band at all times.		
<b>Children are not permitted to:</b>		<b>P.E. kit:</b>
*Wear rings or necklaces or any form of jewellery to school.		<b>Compulsory</b> P.E. top with logo
Wear make-up or nail varnish to school.		Black P.E. shorts/skort OR Tracksuit bottoms
*If there is a religious reason for wearing jewellery, please seek permission from the Headteacher.		Cold weather tracksuit top
		Outdoor Trainers + Indoor plimsolls (black)

## NO NUTS IN SCHOOL

We kindly request that you do not send any food containing nuts or nut products into school for packed lunches or as snacks.

Children with nut allergies can suffer severe, potentially life-threatening anaphylactic shock from ingestion, skin contact, or even smelling nuts.

This includes peanut butter, nut-based chocolate spreads (like Nutella), most cereal/granola bars, cakes with nuts, and some Asian sauces like satay. Please check all packaging carefully. If a product says 'contains nuts,' it must not come to school. Items labelled 'may contain nuts' or 'made in a factory that uses nuts' present a lower risk and are generally allowed.

## ROAD CLOSURE

Westlands Avenue (main road route to get to Whiteknights) has been closed for a week, and will be closed for the upcoming week due to essential repairs. We have noticed a **lot** of latecomers during this time and parking at school drop off and pick up time has become increasingly busy and dangerous.

Can we ask that you allow plenty of time to get to school to park and also drive with consideration and safety to other road users and pedestrians.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.



Reminder—club  
Booking close next  
week!

## 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. Please be aware that if you no longer can see the club on Arbor, it means it is fully booked!

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>





# LIBRARY BUNTING COMPETITION!

GREAT NEWS! WE HAVE DECIDED TO  
EXTEND OUR LIBRARY BUNTING COMPETITION!

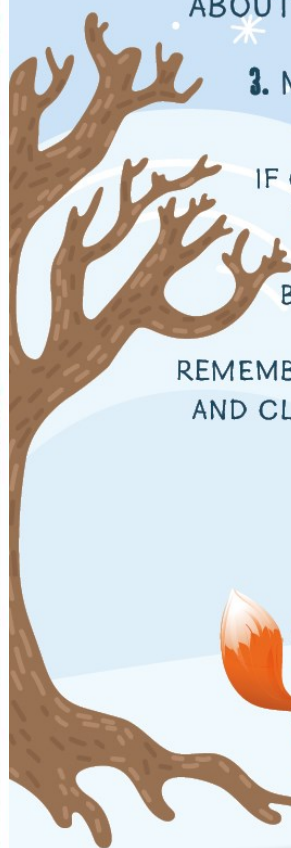
**WHAT YOU NEED TO DO: JUST TAKE A LOOK  
LIBRARY BUNTING AT SOME OF OUR  
COMPETITION ENTRIES!**

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.



Download the bunting template  
by clicking on the thumbnail, or  
alternatively, pop into the office for  
a print out of the template.



## HOLIDAY CLUB STARTING AT WHITEKNIGHTS

We are pleased to announce that, from February half term, Whiteknights Primary School will be offering a holiday club for our school community, extending our provision of wraparound care in partnership with Sport4Kids (S4K).

The S4K Holiday Club provides a fun, active, and well-structured holiday provision for children aged **4–13 years** (children of 4 years of age must be in Reception). The club runs a varied **multi-activity programme**, giving children the opportunity to take part in a wide range of sports and creative activities.

Activities may include football, rugby, tennis, dance, cricket, dodgeball, Nerf games, and arts and crafts, ensuring there is something to suit every interest. All sessions are led by **qualified Sport4Kids coaches**, creating a safe, inclusive, and energetic environment throughout the day.

The camp is **Ofsted registered**, and **childcare vouchers** are accepted. Sibling discounts available.

**Promotion: 15% Off All Bookings - Offer Ends 11 January**

**Standard Day – £40 per day**

Drop-off: 9:00am

Collection: 5:00pm

**Extended Day – £45 per day**

Drop-off: 8:00am

Collection: 6:00pm

Children should wear comfortable clothing for sports and messy play.

**What to bring:**

A water bottle, packed lunch, two snacks for the day, spare clothes, and a coat for indoor and outdoor activities.



**S4K** [www.s4ksessionfinder.co.uk](http://www.s4ksessionfinder.co.uk)  
0300 303 3866

### School Holiday Camp Opening Here!

Every School Holiday at Whiteknights Primary School

#### ACTION ADVENTURE CAMP

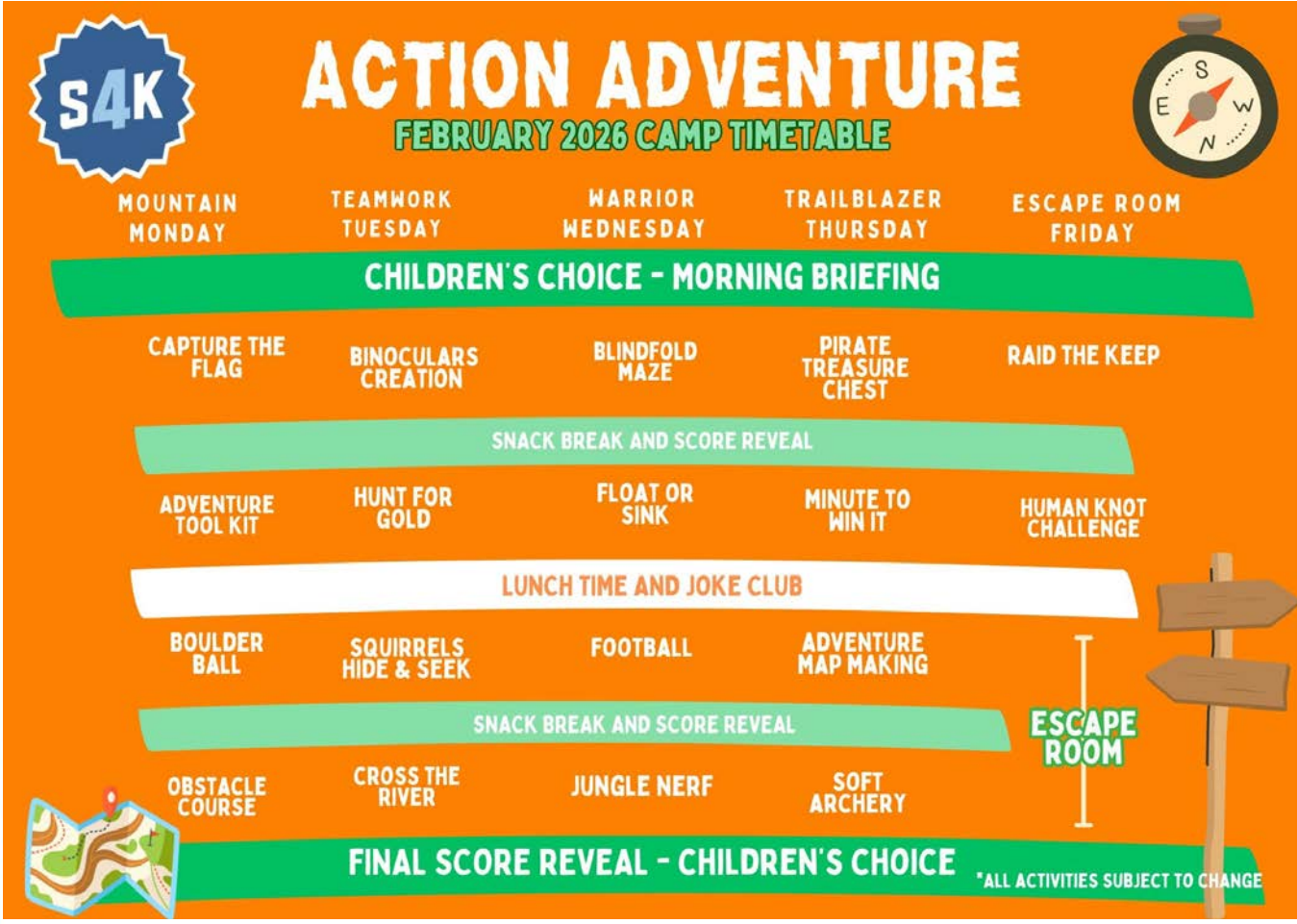
Running 17th – 21st Feb

Standard Day: 9am to 5pm care  
Extended Day: 8am to 6pm care

**15% Off All Bookings Offer Ends 11<sup>th</sup> January**

**BOOK NOW** 

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE



## ACTION ADVENTURE

### FEBRUARY 2026 CAMP TIMETABLE

MOUNTAIN MONDAY	TEAMWORK TUESDAY	WARRIOR WEDNESDAY	TRAILBLAZER THURSDAY	ESCAPE ROOM FRIDAY
CHILDREN'S CHOICE - MORNING BRIEFING				
CAPTURE THE FLAG	BINOCULARS CREATION	BLINDFOLD MAZE	PIRATE TREASURE CHEST	RAID THE KEEP
SNACK BREAK AND SCORE REVEAL				
ADVENTURE TOOL KIT	HUNT FOR GOLD	FLOAT OR SINK	MINUTE TO WIN IT	HUMAN KNOT CHALLENGE
LUNCH TIME AND JOKE CLUB				
BOULDER BALL	SQUIRRELS HIDE & SEEK	FOOTBALL	ADVENTURE MAP MAKING	ESCAPE ROOM
SNACK BREAK AND SCORE REVEAL				
OBSTACLE COURSE	CROSS THE RIVER	JUNGLE NERF	SOFT ARCHERY	
FINAL SCORE REVEAL - CHILDREN'S CHOICE				

\*ALL ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

## TOPIC OVERVIEWS AND HALF-TERMLY LETTERS

Please find below the links to the topic overviews and a cover letters for each year group—outlining what your child will be learning in class. These documents also include important reminders and details about PE, home learning, outdoor and nutritional learning, and upcoming excursions. These documents can also be found on the school website under Parent Resources and Documents. We encourage you to make use of these valuable resources to help extend your child's learning beyond the classroom and at home.

CLICK TO VIEW



**N AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**R AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y1 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y2 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y3 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y4 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y5 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**

**Y6 AUTUMN 2 LETTER  
& TOPIC OVERVIEW**



**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 the next week.



Can we please ask parents to provide a jumper to wear during the colder weather. Could we also ask that socks are packed in the PE kit (this is particularly important to those children who wear tights to school)



**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.







## YEAR 2 OPAL & TOPAZ

### MATHS HOMEWORK

Please see the Year 2 Maths homework due dates and which pages need to be completed .

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 food tasting sessions (a separate email has been sent) Please do let the school office know if you have any queries/food restrictions.

# School Holiday Camp Opening Here!

More info on page 5  
and on our [WEBSITE!](#)

Every School Holiday at Whiteknights Primary School

### CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Does your child take part in an exciting extra-curricular activity, sport, or club outside of school? We would love to hear about their achievements! Whether it's a sporting milestone, a musical performance, or a personal accomplishment, we want to celebrate the wonderful talents and interests of our pupils as part of our Whiteknights community. If you have something to share, please get in touch with us so we can include it in a future newsletter.

[admin@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk)





# UPCOMING EVENTS



**Note:**  
Dates highlighted in yellow show where amendments have been made or additional dates have been added.

Monday, 19th Jan	Eco Council Meeting (at Whiteknights) - <b>RESCHEDULED FOR 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY</b>
Tuesday, 20th Jan	Y4 Trip to University of Reading (Amethyst Class) within school hours - <b>NEW DATE</b>
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
Tuesday, 27th Jan	Y4 Trip to University of Reading (Jasper Class) within school hours - <b>NEW DATE</b>
Thursday, 29th Jan	Y2 Trip to University of Reading (Topaz & Opal Classes) within school hours - <b>NEW DATE</b>
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
Monday, 9th Feb	Eco Council Meeting (at Whiteknights) - <b>NEW DATE</b>
Tuesday, 10th Feb	Nursery SPLAT at 14:00
Tuesday, 10th Feb	Y 5 and Y 6 Girls Netball Tournament
Wednesday, 11th Feb	Chinese Dragon Dance Visit Reception
Thursday, 12th Feb	Y 3 REInspired Visit
Thursday, 12th Feb	Reception SPLAT at 14:00
Friday, 13th Feb	Non Uniform Day—Wear Something Red for £1 Donation
Monday 16th Feb— Friday, 20th February	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
Mon, 9th—Fri, 20th Mar	Living Eggs in EYFS
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>
Friday, 13th Mar	Book Fair 15:30—16:00
Monday, 16th Mar— Tuesday, 17th 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
Tuesday, 24th Mar	Y 3 & 4 Production to Parents 13:30
Tuesday, 24th Mar	Parent Consultations 15:40—18:10
Wednesday, 25th Mar	Parent Consultations 16:00—18:30
Thursday, 26th Mar	Egg Rolling Competition
Thursday, 26th Mar	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





# CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

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

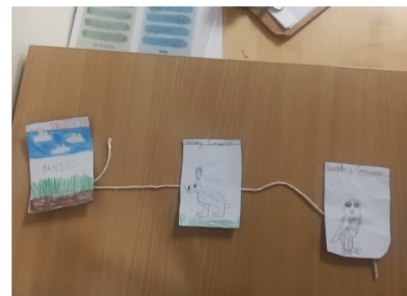
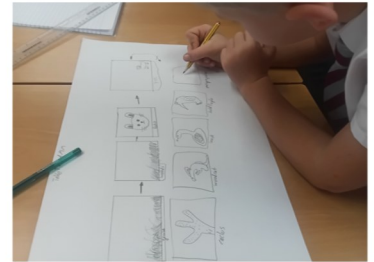
Discover the latest school news, including classroom highlights, sporting events, school trips and more.

### YEAR 4 SCIENCE: TRANSPIRATION AND FOOD CHAINS

This week, Year 4 have been learning about transpiration as part of their science topic on *Living Things and Their Habitats*. In one lesson, pupils carried out an experiment to “catch the breath of a leaf”, helping them to understand how water moves through plants and is released into the air. The children also learnt about food chains. During this week’s SPLAT session, pupils worked with parents to create food chains, reinforcing their understanding of how living things depend on one another.

#### Did you know?

Transpiration was discovered by accident, one of the facts that children learnt about is that, Dr Ward placed a moth chrysalis in a sealed glass jar with damp soil and forgot about it. Years later, a healthy fern was growing inside, despite the jar never being opened.



## PUPIL SPOTLIGHT: CELEBRATING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

### BADMINTON—PLAYER OF THE WEEK

VP Academy Badminton Club, held at Crossfield’s School, were pleased to announce Tiana as Player of the Week. She was over the moon at being recognised for maintaining the clubs values, being cheerful and showing good sportsmanship during her classes. Well done Tiana!





# WPCA NOTICES



NEED A FEW SPARE ITEMS? WHY DON'T YOU VISIT THE WPCA  
TWICE AS NICE UNIFORM SHOP FOR PRE-LOVED ITEMS AT  
AFFORDABLE PRICES, ALL WHILE RAISING FUNDS FOR THE SCHOOL.

## TWICE AS NICE UNIFORM SHOP

[www.uniformmd.co.uk/whiteknights-primary](http://www.uniformmd.co.uk/whiteknights-primary)  
email enquiries to: [whiteknightspca@gmail.com](mailto:whiteknightspca@gmail.com)

