

THE WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



2nd October 2026—Issue No: 5

NEXT WEEK

Monday, 5th Oct

Tuesday, 6th Oct

Wednesday, 7th Oct

Year 3 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)

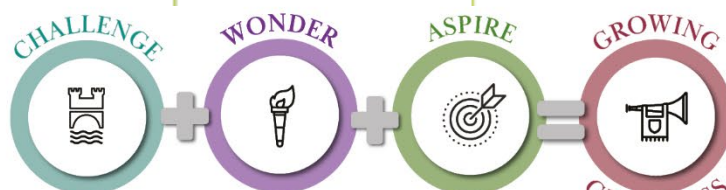
Thursday, 8th Oct

Friday, 9th Oct

**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
Cheese Pinwheel with Mashed Potato & Gravy Lentil & Vegetable Wellington with Mashed Potato & Gravy Vegetable Medley Chocolate Shortbread & Yoghurt	Chicken & Tomato & Herb Pasta Bake with Melted Cheese Roast Vegetable & Chickpea Pasta Bake with Melted Cheese Green Beans / Sweetcorn Sponge Cake with Pink Custard	Roast Chicken with Stuffing, Roast New Potatoes & Gravy Vegetable Loaf with Stuffing, Roast New Potatoes & Gravy Carrots / Peas Jam Sponge Cake & Custard	Beef Lasagne Roast Vegetable & Lentil Lasagne Savoy Cabbage / Roast Carrots Raspberry Jelly with Fresh Fruit Slices	Breaded White Fish Cake with Tomato Ketchup & Chips Vegetable Samosa with Tomato Ketchup & Chips Baked Beans / Peas Chocolate Shortbread with Yoghurt



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

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



EVERY CHILD



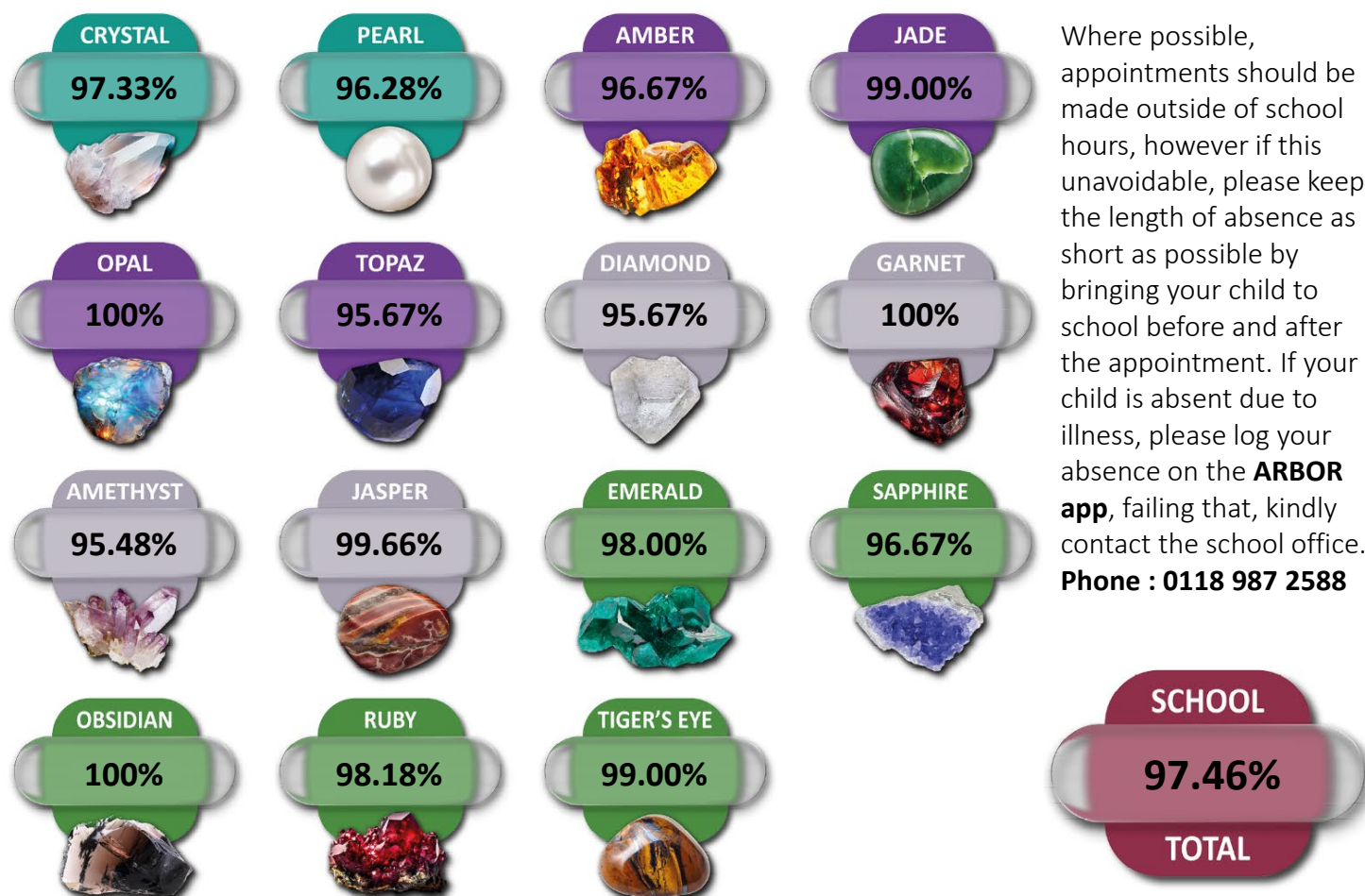
IN SCHOOL



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.
Phone : 0118 987 2588

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

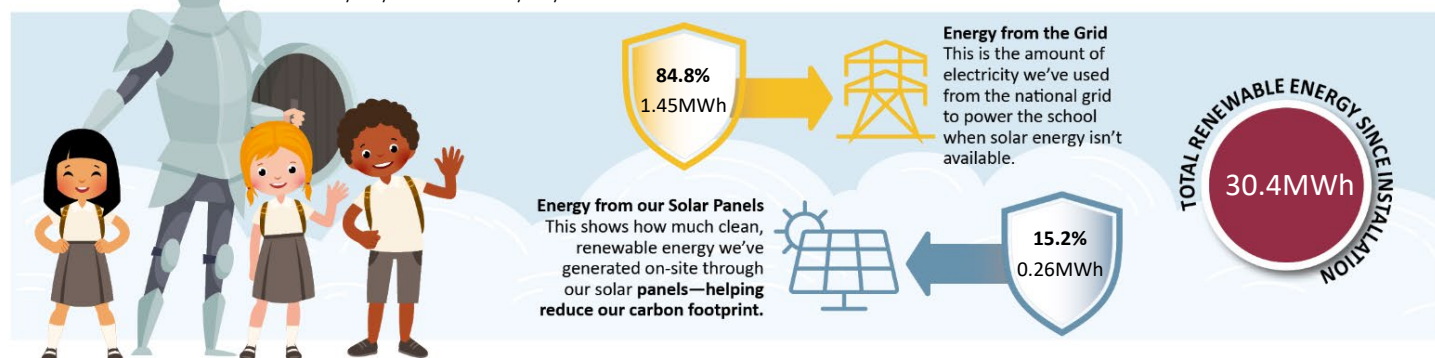


School activities



The Whiteknights **NET ZERO** Quest

WEEK: 25/09/2026 TO 01/10/2026



SCHOOL WIDE NOTICES & REMINDERS

DONATIONS OF CLOTHING AND BOOKS:

Thank you for all the wonderful clothing and book donations since we returned to school. However, we are now overflowing and have no room to store anything more. Can we kindly ask that you refrain from donating anything until after the Christmas break.



Harvest Celebration

MONDAY 19 OCTOBER 2026

We are excited to celebrate our **Harvest Festival** on **Monday, 19th October**. As part of our tradition, we will be supporting **ReadiFood**, a local food bank, and would greatly appreciate your donations.

Please bring your donations on **Monday morning** and place them on the tables located outside the hall, under the covered area.

Here are the current shortages that ReadiFood is in need of:

Food items:

Tinned tomatoes, tinned vegetables (carrots, peas, sweetcorn, etc.), tinned fruit, cooking oil, tinned meat, pot noodles, long-life or UHT milk, 40s tea bags, basmati rice, rice pouches, cartons of juice, drinking squash, coffee.

Specialist food needs:

Dried noodles, dried lentils, dried couscous, plain flour.

Other items:

Sanitary items, shampoo, conditioner, hand soap, shower gel.

For more information on **ReadiFood** and the work they do, please visit their website: **ReadiFood – Faith**](<https://fcg.org.uk>).

NEWS

FLASH!



Whiteknights
Growing Greatness

A fantastic *achievement*

We are delighted to share our latest Key Stage 2 results, which place **Whiteknights Primary School** among the highest-performing primary schools nationally.

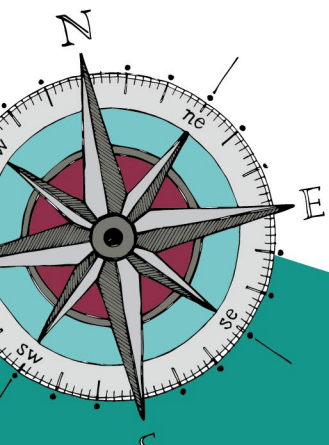


***37th**

OUT OF 14,951
SCHOOLS IN ENGLAND

Placing us in the top 1%
nationally.

*We are incredibly proud
of our pupils and staff
for their hard work
and dedication!*

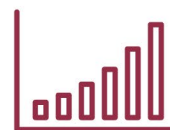


2025
KS2 RESULTS



95%

achieving the expected
standard in reading,
writing and
mathematics (RWM)



34%

achieving higher
standard in reading,
writing and
mathematics (RWM)

**Source: FINDMYSCHOOL, 2026. Ranking based on published school performance data.*



just play **sports**



@JUSTPLAYSPORTS_



October Half Term Camp at Whiteknights School

Discover a new sport or game

Kids'll experience a winning combo of awesome games, competitions and matches across:

- Football • Multi-skills • Nerf • Capture the Flag
- Cricket • Tennis • Rounders • Dodgeball • Lego

Savings to suit every pocket

Save:

- 10% when you book the full week
- 10% for siblings

When is the fun happening?

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October

Flexibility to suit you

Standard day: 10.00am - 3.30pm (£30.00)

Extended day: 8.30am - 5.30pm (£40.00)



Use your childcare
vouchers or pay
with tax-free
childcare

 justplaysports.co.uk

 info@justplaysports.co.uk

 fb.me/justplaysportsberks

 [@justplaysports_](https://www.instagram.com/justplaysports_)

Book now

bit.ly/jpsholidayclubs

Daisy's Dream Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 16th December 2026



Wear your best festive jumper for charity!
Suggested Donation £1

Registered charity number 1177145



Daisy's Dream

Supporting children through bereavement



Consultation on proposed Admission Arrangements at Highwood Primary School for entry into Reception from September 2028

[CLICK HERE](#)



Consultation on proposed Admission Arrangements at Hillside Primary School for entry into Reception from September 2028

[CLICK HERE](#)



SAVE THE DATE!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

This page contains useful information and important diary dates for parents. It will be updated regularly as new dates and information become available, so please do keep an eye on it. Whenever dates are added or amended, we will highlight these changes to help ensure they are easily visible.

OCTOBER 2026

Wed, 7th October	Year 3 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Tue, 13th October	Year 2 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Wed, 14th October	Year 1 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Fri, 16th October	Individual Pupil School Photos
Tues, 20 th October	Year 6 Electricity and Circuits Workshop (in school)
Thu, 22 October	Year 4 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Fri, 23 Oct	Non-Uniform Day (£1 voluntary donation) School finishes at 3.20pm for October half term break
Mon, 26th October to Fri ,30th October	OCTOBER HALF TERM

NOVEMBER 2026

Mon, 2nd November	INSET Day—school closed to pupils
Tue, 3rd November	Pupils return to school for Autumn Term 2
Thu, 5th November	Berkshire Immunisation Team to administer Flu Immunisations (Reception to Year 6)
Thu, 5 th November	Year 5 Trip to Lower Earley Library – Sapphire Class
Fri, 6 th November	Year 5 Trip to Lower Earley Library – Emerald Class
Mon, 9th November to Fri, 13th November	Year 6 Residential trip to Mill on the Brue
Mon, 16th November	1.30pm Guided School tour to prospective families

Wed, 18th November	Year 6 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Thu, 19th November	Year 5 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Mon, 23rd November	YEAR 3 – Excursion to Butser Farm
Tue, 24th November	Year 5 Excursion to Winchester Science Museum
DECEMBER 2026	
Mon, 7th December	Parents' Eve in the school hall (3.40pm to 6pm)
Wed, 9th December	1.30pm Guided School tour to prospective families Parents' Eve in the school hall (3.40pm to 6.10pm)
Mon, 14th December	KS1 Christmas Performance—dress rehearsal
Mon, 14th December to Wed, 16th December	Year 4 Residential trip to Burwell Manor House
Tue, 15th December	KS1 Christmas Performance to parents in school hall—9.30am KS1 Christmas Performance to parents in school hall—2pm
Wed, 16th December	Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
Thu, 17th December	EYFS Nativity Performance to parents in school hall —1.30pm (includes a SPLAT session) Year 5 Carols Service @ St Barnabas (pupils only)
Fri, 18th December	Celebration Assembly 1.45pm School finishes at 3.20pm for Christmas Break
Mon, 21st December to Thu, 31st December	Christmas Break
JANUARY 2027	
Mon, 4th January	INSET day—school closed to pupils
Tue, 5th January	Pupils return to school for Spring Term 1

CLASS NOTICES & REMINDERS

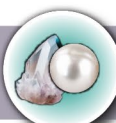


NURSERY LITTLE GEMS

KNOWLEDGE ORGANISERS

Please view the **Knowledge Organiser** for the topics we will be exploring in class. We encourage parents to extend their child's learning beyond the class.

[VIEW > NURSERY KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER – YOU AND YOUR FAMILY: September 2026](#)

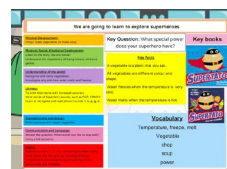


RECEPTION CRYSTAL & PEARL

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RECEPTION PE

PE is on each Wednesday. Please bring your PE bag in on a Monday morning. PE lessons will begin W/C Monday 5th October



After October half term, your child will be visiting our school library. They will have the opportunity to borrow a book of their choice to bring home. Visits will take place every week, this means they can return their books and borrow another the following week. Please ensure that your child brings their library book into school on their library visit days. Pearl class will start their visits on Thursday 5th November and Crystal class will start their visits on Friday 6th November. Then each week going forward



YEAR 1 AMBER & JADE

YEAR 1 HOMEWORK EXPECTATIONS AND SCHEDULE

In Year 1, we are going to start giving out some maths homework for the children to complete each week. This will be a few questions a week which links to the learning the children have been working hard on in lessons. The table below shows when the homework has to be due and which pages need to be completed. The class teacher will check their Maths homework every Tuesday to see if the children have done the homework.

Homework due date	Pages to complete
7 th October	13-15
14 th October	16-18
21 st October	20-22



YEAR 2 OPAL & TOPAZ

YEAR 2 MATHS HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

Maths home learning will be set on a Monday and will be due the following Monday:

Homework due date	Pages to complete
5 th October	10 – 12
12 th October	13 – 15
19 th October	16 – 19
3 rd November	20 – 22



YEAR 2 DT LESSON - LIGHTHOUSE

Your child will be making a lighthouse in their DT lesson. Please send your child into school with a Pringles tube. These need to be in school no later than Friday, 9th October, ready for our lesson!



YEAR 3 DIAMOND & GARNET

YEAR 3 BUTSER FARM TRIP: 23RD NOVEMBER 2026

Just a reminder that the voluntary contributions need to be paid before: 16th October 2026.

Thank you.

[LETTER TO PARENTS](#)



YEAR 5 EMERALD & SAPPHIRE

YEAR 5 WINCHESTER SCIENCE CENTRE TRIP

Just a reminder that the voluntary contributions need to be paid by 30th October.

Thank you [LETTER TO PARENTS](#)



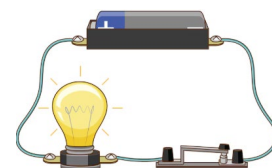
YEAR 6 OBSIDIAN, RUBY & TIGER'S EYE

YEAR 6 – ELECTRICITY AND CIRCUITS WORKSHOP

Just a reminder that voluntary contributions need to be paid by Monday 9th October.

Thank you.

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CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

LEARNER SHOWCASE: SCHOOL LIFE, NEWS AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

Discover the latest school news, including classroom highlights, sporting events, school trips and more, click on the links below:-

RECEPTION – SETTLING IN WELL!

Reception have settled really well into school. They have now started to explore all areas of our provision including the curiosity corner and attending our first assembly.





PUPIL SPOTLIGHT: CELEBRATING PUPIL ACHIEVEMENTS BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

ORANGE BELT AWARDED TO AMARA

Amara in Year 3 was extremely proud to have been awarded an Orange belt at GKR Karate grading.

Well done Amara!



Little Princess Trust

Thank you! 

A COURAGEOUS ACT BY AARNA

Aarna in Year 1 made the brave decision to donate her hair to the *Little Princess Trust*, and wanted to encourage other pupils across the school to consider doing the same. The charity provides real-hair wigs, free of charge, to children and young people who have lost their hair through cancer treatment or other medical conditions. What a lovely way to make a difference!

Aarna 

for kindly donating your hair

Your wonderful donation makes a real difference to children affected by hair loss

September 2026



WPCA NOTICES

Whiteknights Parent Community – Group chat invite

Follow the link below to get added into year group specific chats:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/JLpBmNHDF9HAXZIHHE5rr>

Whiteknights WPCA Events link

Follow the link below to view events/trips/activities:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/wpca/>

TWICE AS NICE UNIFORM SHOP

SELLING PRELOVED,
BRANDED UNIFORM ITEMS
SUCH AS: JUMPERS;
CARDIGANS AND P.E. TOPS

For further information, and in stock items,
please click link below:

[https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/
whiteknights-primary-school](https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/whiteknights-primary-school)





WANTED: WPCA VOLUNTEER SECRETARY

**JOIN OUR FANTASTIC TEAM
& HELP OUR SCHOOL!**



MEETING MANAGEMENT -

Planning meetings, prepares and circulates agendas



TAKING MINUTES - records key points, decisions and actions during meetings and circulates to committee



COMMUNICATION - Handles email correspondence



AGM ADMINISTRATION - Assists in organising and supports helping to prepare annual reports

WHAT WE LOOK FOR:



Keen to support our school community



Basic finance and number skills



A small amount of your time

GET IN TOUCH & HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Whiteknightspca@gmail.com

Deadline to apply: Friday 18th September 2026

THE HEXAGON, READING

SUNDAY 6th DECEMBER @ 5pm

ALADDIN

JUSTIN FLETCHER

PAUL MORSE SAMANTHA DORRANCE

ADAM PETTIGREW JG DANIELS-WHITE HELENA FERREIRA



ORGANISED BY THE WPCA

TICKETS ON SALE TODAY
FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

TICKETS £28.00 EACH

LIMITED NUMBER OF TICKETS SO DON'T MISS OUT

SCAN TO BOOK





WHITEKNIGHT'S PARENT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)



Wednesday 7th October
8 - 8:30pm
Virtual meeting



Scan the **QR** code to access
the meeting



**Voting for
committee members**
(Chair, Secretary,
Treasurer & Project Leads)



**Reflecting over
the last year to review
our successes and
areas for improvement**



**Share details
about our
finances**

We'd love to see everyone there!



Any more info required contact:
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