

THE WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



9th October 2026—Issue No: 6

NEXT WEEK

Monday, 12th Oct	
Tuesday, 13th Oct	Year 2 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Wednesday, 14th Oct	Year 1 SPLAT session (2pm - 3pm in the school hall)
Thursday, 15th Oct	
Friday, 16th Oct	Individual Pupil School Photos

**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 Garlic & Herb Bread Oven Baked Falafel Bites with Tomato Salsa & Rice Carrots / Peas Vanilla Shortbread & Yoghurt	Chicken in a Sweet Chilli Sauce with Rice Courgette & Carrot Pakora with Sweet Chilli Sauce & Rice Sweetcorn / Carrots Chocolate Sponge Cake & Chocolate Sauce	Cottage Pie with Mini Yorkshire & Gravy Vegetarian Style Cottage Pie with Mini Yorkshire & Gravy Carrots / Green Beans Cinnamon Swirl Traybake with Custard	Beef Bolognese with Spaghetti Vegetarian Mince Bolognese with Spaghetti Broccoli / Sweetcorn Strawberry Jelly with Fresh Fruit Slices	Battered Fish with Tomato Ketchup & Chips Vegetable Frittata with Tomato Ketchup & Chips Peas / Baked Beans Iced Biscuit with Yoghurt

DON'T FORGET

INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

On **Friday, 16th October**, the school photographers will be in school to take individual and sibling photographs. Please ensure your child comes to school in full uniform and is smartly presented.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS!



EVERY CHILD



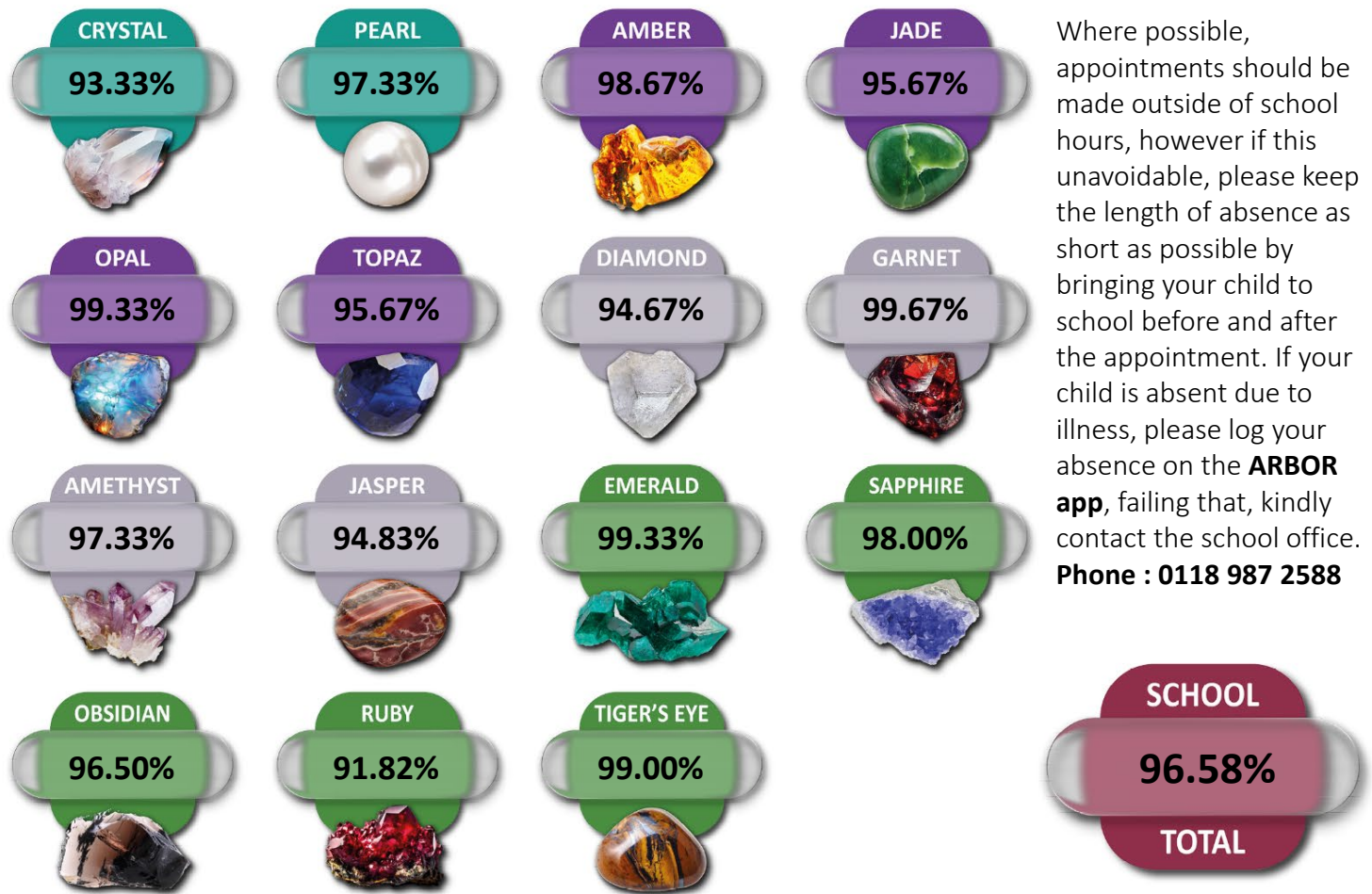
IN SCHOOL



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

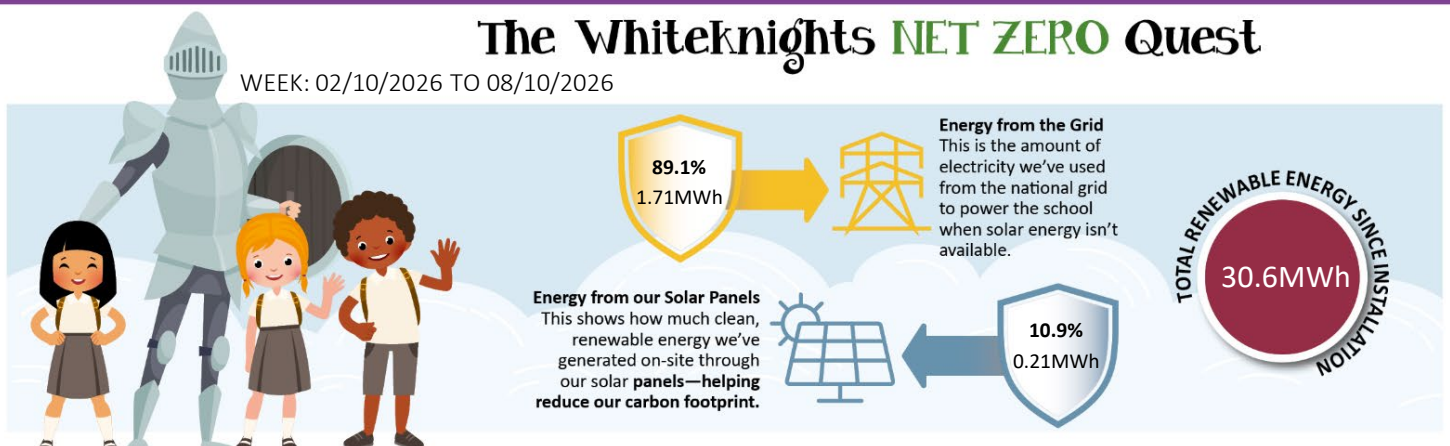


School activities



The Whiteknights NET ZERO Quest

WEEK: 02/10/2026 TO 08/10/2026



SCHOOL WIDE NOTICES & REMINDERS

WPCA TEXTILE RECYCLING BIN DONATIONS

If the WPCA Recycling Bin is full, can you kindly bring donations through to the school office rather than leaving bags on the ground by the bin. We can then store them in a dry environment until the clothes bin is emptied. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

DONATIONS OF OLDER CHILDRENS SHIRTS:

If you have some older children's size shirts knocking about at home, can we please have them! They make fantastic art aprons! Can we ask that you drop them off in Reception and mention that they are 'art shirts'. Thanking you in advance.

INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS – FRIDAY 16 OCTOBER 2026:

Children will have their individual photographs taken on **Friday 16th October 2026**. All children with siblings at Whiteknights, including Little Gems, will have sibling photographs taken **during school hours**.

Sibling photographs with children who DO NOT ATTEND Whiteknights, will be taken in the School Hall from 8.00am to 8.50am. Please note – these are sibling photos only, not for other relatives.



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.

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



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)



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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	
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

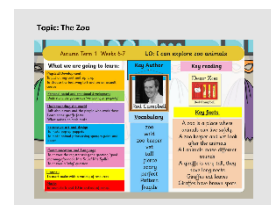


NURSERY LITTLE GEMS

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 – THE ZOO: October 2026](#)



RECEPTION CRYSTAL & PEARL

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[VIEW > RECEPTION KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER – CHANGES IN AUTUMN: October 2026](#)



PE LESSONS

RECEPTION'S FIRST PE LESSON

We are delighted to see our Reception children take part in their very first PE lesson this week! They showed great enthusiasm and had a wonderful time getting active.

To ensure all children remain safe during physical activity, please remember our school safety guidelines regarding jewellery:

- Ideally, earrings should be removed on PE days before coming to school.
- If your child has newly pierced ears and cannot remove their earrings, please ensure they are taped over with micropore tape prior to the start of the school day.

Thank you for your support and cooperation in keeping our children safe.

LIBRARY VISITS

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 MATHS HOMEWORK SCHEDULE

The class teacher will check Maths homework every Tuesday.

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



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**. [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 2026**. [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**. [LETTER TO PARENTS](#)

YEAR 6 – CLOSING DATE FOR APPLYING FOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS IS 31ST OCTOBER 2026

Please see links to apply:

Reading Borough Council

<https://brighterfuturesforchildren.org/for-parents-carers/schools/secondary-admissions/>

Wokingham Borough Council

<https://www.wokingham.gov.uk/schools-and-education/school-admissions/starting-and-applying-secondary-school-age-11>



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:-

YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 MULTI SKILLS EVENT

On Friday, 8 Year 1 and 2 children visited Hawkedon Primary School to take part in a multiskills event. They enjoyed playing a range of sports including basketball, netball, tennis, football, rugby and cricket. Everyone did incredibly well and had a great time learning new skills.





LITTLE GEMS LEARNING

We have been exploring the stories **The Three Little Pigs** and **The Three Billy Goats Gruff**. The children have enjoyed joining in with the stories, talking about the characters and remembering key parts of the tales.

The Three Billy Goats Gruff

We became little engineers and experimented with **building bridges using different materials**. We talked about which materials we thought would be **strongest, weakest, heaviest and lightest**, and tested our ideas to see which bridges worked best!

Maths – Making 2

In Maths, we have been learning different ways to make **2**. We have used practical resources such as **Numicon, five frames and cubes** to help us explore and represent the number 2.

Our Golden Rules

The children have also been learning **White Knights' 6 Golden Rules**. They have done a fantastic job remembering the rules and putting them into practice. We are very proud of them!

What a wonderful week of **stories, exploration, problem-solving and learning through play**.





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/>

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

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FRIDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

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

