



Dates for the Diary

March

Wed 1	CASE – Mrs Murphy (W5 Trip)
Thurs 2	World Book Day
Tues 7	CASE – Mrs Graham (Zoo Trip)
Thurs 9	CASE – Mrs Hill/Miss Bloomfield (Breckenhill Trip)
Thurs 9	7.00pm PTA
Tues 14	CASE – Miss Dunlop (Carnfunnock Trip)
Thurs 16	7.00pm Transfer Meeting for Y6 Parents
Thurs 16	7.45pm Manchester Residential Meeting for Y7s
Fri 17	No school dinners
Fri 31	End of Term (Y1 – Y4 12.00noon, Y5 – Y7 12.05pm)

April

Mon 17	School resumes at the usual time
Thurs 20	7.00pm Board of Governors

Y7 Manchester Information Evening

I would encourage all the parents **and the children** who will be going to Manchester to come along to the information evening on **Thursday 16 March at 7.45pm**. Mr Baird who is leading the residential will provide information on the activities that the children will be taking part in and also the clothing they will require for the trip. This is the first time that we have been to Manchester on a school residential but it sounds great and I am sure that the children and staff will have a super trip.

No School Dinners on St Patrick's Day

Canteen will be closed on St Patrick's Day but the canteen staff will prepare a sandwich lunch (the day before) **for any child entitled to free school meals**. Please see the note which follows as it outlines how any **child entitled to free school meals** can order a sandwich lunch for St Patrick's Day

After School Activities in the 3rd Term

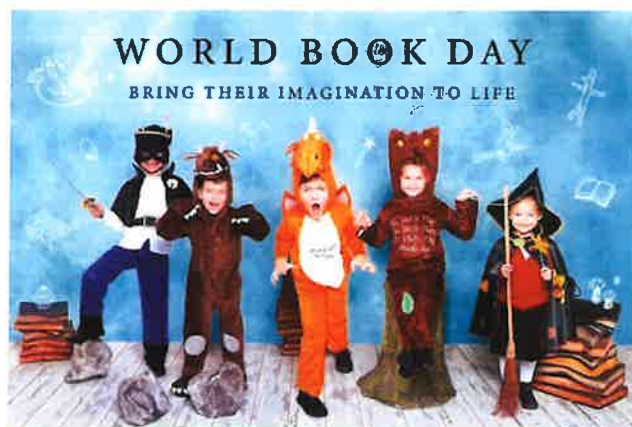
After School Activities on a Monday, Wednesday & Friday will continue as normal in the 3rd Term.

Monday – Healthy Kidz & Coding Club

Wednesday – Irish Dancing & Jujitsu

Friday – Hip Hop & Soccer

Further information will be sent out next week allowing you to book a place for your child.



World Book Day

World Book Day is Thursday 2nd March and the theme this year is 'You Are A Reader'. As part of this day, we will encourage children to select a word, which will become their costume. They could dress up as their favourite book character, and wear a label to describe that character (e.g. Matilda could wear a 'Resourceful' label, or The Gruffalo could hold a sign saying, 'prickly'). They could also choose an interesting word (e.g. celestial, extravagant) and design a costume around that. We can't wait to see their creativity and imagination on the day!

Y6 Transfer Information

As the Y6 children begin the process to transfer from Primary School to Post Primary School Y6 parents are invited to an information evening on **Thursday 16 March at 7.00pm**. At the meeting I will provide you with an overview of the process highlighting key dates and Y6/Y7 teachers will give you an insight into how we will prepare the children for this transition.



Whitehead

Primary School
& Nursery Unit

'LEARNING AND GROWING TOGETHER'

1 March 2023

Dear Parent

Although we are open as normal on St Patrick's Day, the canteen is closed. Therefore, there will be no school meals on that day.

However, if your child is **entitled to free school meals**, the canteen will prepare sandwiches, a biscuit, fruit and milk which will be given to him/her on Friday, 17 March 2023.

If your child is entitled to free school meals, please complete the tear off slip below indicating your child's choice of sandwich and return to school by Wednesday, 8 March 2023. Alternatively you can email Mrs Lowry with your choice at elowry738@c2kni.net. If we do not receive a response by that date, we will assume your child is bringing his/her own packed lunch.

There will be no facility to provide a sandwich to any child who does not bring a packed lunch, unless it has been pre ordered, as the canteen will be closed and the sandwiches will be made the day before.

Please note that sandwiches from the canteen are only available to children who are entitled to free school meals, all other children should bring a packed lunch to school on St Patrick's Day.

There will be no Breakfast Club on St Patrick's Day.

Kind regards.

J LOUGHINS
Principal

WHITEHEAD PRIMARY SCHOOL
Education Authority – North Eastern Region

On St Patrick's Day my child would like:

Cheese Sandwich ☐ Ham Sandwich ☐ (please tick)

PLEASE COMPLETE ONLY IF YOUR CHILD IS ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Child's Name: _____

Teacher: _____