



WHITEHEATH JUNIOR SCHOOL

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# END OF AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER 2025

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2025.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We've come to the end of another term. We have welcomed our new Year 3 children to the school and have enjoyed many successful events since September.

We have a long break Christmas break to look forward to - to spend quality time with friends and family. But before we do, let's look back on everything we have achieved this term and celebrate our successes.

As always, there have been many events this term to enhance the children's learning experiences: Year 3 have enjoyed a Stone Age Workshop and Geobus workshops. Year 4 had a worthwhile trip to St Albans and a Geobus workshop, Year 5 produced a polished Harvest Assembly, had a term of clarinet lessons, enjoyed a GenEarth Workshop and had a wonderful Brazil Day and Year 6 enjoyed the Science Museum, a Geobus workshop, Hindu Talk and successfully completed their Bikeability Training!

We have held many whole school events this term, such as: Walk/Cycle to School Week, National Fitness Day, European Day of Languages, Anti-Bullying Week, Black History Month assembly and two assemblies from Ruislip Baptist Church and a Barclays Maths Wheel of Life assembly. We were also awarded the Gold Award for Road Safety and earned the British Council International Award.

We continued our Global links with a school in Canada, and encouraged the children to take part in the nationwide BBC's 500 words writing competition, the Junior Duke Award, a Language Competition, Hillingdon Road Safety Competition and a local Christmas Card Competition. We continue to award regular Presentation Awards and Kindness Awards and have promoted the children's love of reading through our monthly book lists, a virtual author visit, book recommendations in year group newsletters and a visit from the Travelling Book Fair.

We have competed successfully in several sporting events this term. Regular netball and football fixtures/cluster events have been played with some fine performances – with all teams



having a great season so far. Our girls competed in the Ruislip and Northwood Girls' Football Tournament; the indoor athletics squad competed at a very high standard to come third at the borough SportsHall Indoor Athletics Competition. We won the Year 3 and 4 Badminton Competition (and the team represented Hillingdon in the London Youth Games Festival), the Quicksticks Hockey team came 3<sup>rd</sup> in their competition, and we earned many medals in the recent Swimming Gala, with the boys earning 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

Our many and varied range of extra-curricular clubs continued including: cross country, school council, guitar, indoor athletics, cheerleading, keyboard, gymnastics, gardening, choir, science club, tech club, tennis and chess club just to name a few. A huge thank you to all the staff and outside clubs who willingly give their time to provide such worthwhile opportunities for the children.

We provided Year Group meetings for parents at the beginning of the year and our Parents Evening in October was well attended as usual – thank you. We provided year group Curriculum Maps and reported weekly attendance figures. We continued to provide information about events in the community, weekly year group newsletters, weekly online safety guides and whole school newsletters. We have held monthly SEND/Pastoral meetings for parents/carers and we put on a Grammar and Reading Workshop for parents/carers.

We have continued to raise money for several local and national charities – Jeans for Genes Day (£419), Pennies for the PTA (£847.08), Royal British Legion (£386.80), Children in Need (£394) and Save the Children on Christmas Jumper Day (£330). Our community is very generous and giving. Thank you.

Our small PTA, once again, have organised a very successful Christmas Fayre with the Year 6 stalls, (the amount raised will be confirmed the new term) and we arranged the selling of Christmas Cards.

We held a wonderful Christmas Service at St. Martin's Church, a lovely Christmas Lunch, Christmas parties, learnt Christmas Carols, wore our Christmas Jumpers, the choir sang at the Ruislip Manor Christmas Fayre, Poplars Care Home and Michael Sobell House Winter Market and we marvelled at the superb Year 3 Christmas performance! The teachers even sang a Christmas song for the children yesterday as a surprise!

Thank you to all the staff, parents and governors for their support this term.

The school closes at **12:30pm tomorrow** and reopens for the children on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026!**

On behalf of all the staff, we wish you a **very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

Best wishes and keep safe,

**M Kenny,**  
**Headteacher**

