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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you have had a good week and that the children have enjoyed their lessons and time in school. It is good to see so many children getting involved with the many extra-curricular activities that we have here at Whiteheath. They add a further dimension to the children's experiences at school.

This term's curriculum map (with more information about topics covered) can also be found on our website on the 'curriculum' tab, then 'curriculum overview'.

This Week

This week we have been investigating materials that insulate and conduct in our Electricity topic. We also had a 'live' PSHE assembly on Monday afternoon entitled 'How can we make our school allergy aware?'

Next Week

In Maths, we will be starting the next unit on Addition and Subtraction.

In English, the children will be writing a non-chronological report on Pompeii before the eruption.

You could support at home by asking the children to explain what they can remember about the features of a non-chronological report.

In History, we shall be looking at the legacy left by the Romans in Britain through learning about Roman roads.

Our Art lesson will be preparing for portrait drawing in the style of Vincent van Gogh.

We have introduced very structured handwriting sessions weekly to help the children with their letter formation etc. You could help at home please by encouraging them to use joined writing and practice writing neatly.

Homework

English homework will be in homework books on Tuesday 6th October for completion by Monday 12th October.

Spelling words will also be given out on Tuesday 6th October for testing on Monday 12th October.

Please encourage your child to use Times Table Rockstars regularly to improve their fluency with multiplication.

Reading

Please ensure your child's Reading Record is signed by an adult. Children should be reading every evening for at least 15 minutes and, where possible, to an adult. All books can be changed during the class Library Session.

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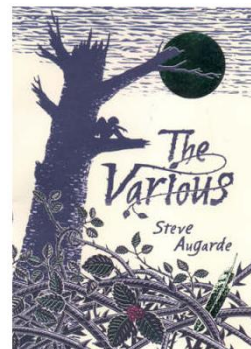
Notices and Reminders

P.E. - Please make sure that all children have P.E. kits, including trainers, in school every day. If your child has a sports' club after school for which they need their PE kit, please ensure it comes back into school the next day.

Please ensure that your child has a pencil case in school with the necessary equipment, including a whiteboard pen and a glue stick.

Book Recommendation

This week, Mrs Mendez recommends 'The Various' by Steve Augarde.



Upcoming dates (taken from the whole school newsletter)

Friday 9th October

Week Beginning 12th October

Tuesday 13th October

Wednesday 14th October

Wednesday 21st October

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Thursday 23rd October

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Year 5 Pedestrian Training

Pennies for the PTA House Competition

Parents Consultation Evening

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Year 3 Stone Age Workshop

Year 4 Trip to Verulamium, St Albans

Yr 5 Harvest Festival assembly to school am

Yr 5 Harvest Festival assembly to parents/carers 2:40pm

(Half term - Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October)

Monday 2nd November

Monday 3rd November

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Friday 6th November

Tuesday 17th – Friday 20th Nov

Friday 19th November

Friday 13th November

Monday 7th December

Friday 11th December

Monday 14th December

Monday 14th December

Training Day (no children)

Children return to school

Nasal Flu vaccinations

Individual photographs

Travelling Book Fair Days

Art Frames Exhibition

Children In Need Day

Choir visit to Poplars Care Home

Christmas lunch, Christmas Service and Christmas Jumper Day TBC

Autumn term report cards out to parents/carers

Year 3 Christmas performances dress rehearsal to the school

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Tuesday 16th December

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Thursday 17th December

Friday 18th December

Year 3 Christmas Performance to parents/carers 9:30am

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Christmas Parties

School term ends at 12:30pm

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Mendez, Miss Malone, Miss Cook

Reminders/deadlines/ key dates for next week				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Spelling test and homework due	Beech, Elm, Maple – PE Beech, Maple – Library	'Virtual' author visit – all classes	Beech, Elm, Maple - PE	Elm – Library Beech, Elm, Maple - PE

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European Day of Languages 2026 - LANGUAGES UNITE!

A Language/ Art Competition for Whiteheath Junior School

You are invited to create a piece of art that celebrates how languages bring people together.

Your artwork could show:

- * Children from different countries becoming friends
- * People communicating even when they speak different languages
- * A colourful collection of words from different European languages
- * How saying hello, friend, thank you or welcome can bring people together
- * A multilingual map of Europe
- * A creative representation of languages travelling across borders
- * An imaginary world where everyone speaks many languages

Every entry must include at least 3 different languages.

Choose your category

1. Art and illustration

Create a drawing, painting, collage or mixed-media artwork.

2. Words that unite

Create an artistic poster using words or short phrases in different European languages.

3. Story and illustration

Write a short story about children who use different languages to become friends, accompanied by an illustration.

4. 3D Languages Unite

Create a sculpture, model, paper craft or other 3D artwork.

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Entries will be judged on:

- Creativity & imagination
- Use of different languages
- How well it expresses "Languages Unite"
- Artistic presentation
- Originality

Prizes will be awarded to the winners and runners up in Lower School and Upper School

Please submit your entry to Mrs Mendez in Maple Classroom by Friday 24th October 2026.

GOOD LUCK!

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