Newsletter









Dates to Remember

Every Monday—Hot Hub 8.45-9.30
Every Monday PM—Reception—Y2 INC/Attendance
Assembly

Every Tuesday PM Y3-Y6 INC/Attendance Assembly Tuesday 16th May—Reception—Victorian School Day Tuesday 16th May—Year 6 —Visit to Eden Camp Friday 19th May—Year 5—Brownlee Triathlon at John Charles Centre.

Thursday 25th May—Year 4—Outdoor session about habitats and organisms in the local environment.

Thursday 25th May—Rec—Year 2—Whitecote Wonders
Friday 26th May—Year 3—Year 6—Whitecote Wonders
Friday 26th May—Rec—Year 6—100% Attendance £25
Amazon Voucher Draw

Friday 26 May—school closes, return on Monday 05 June
Friday 26th May—Super Hero Day



Year 3—Year 6 will be announced at 9:00am on Friday

Later on the Friday at 2:30pm students with 100% attendance will be put into a prize draw to win £25 worth of amazon vouchers!

We can't wait to celebrate all of these achievements with everyone!





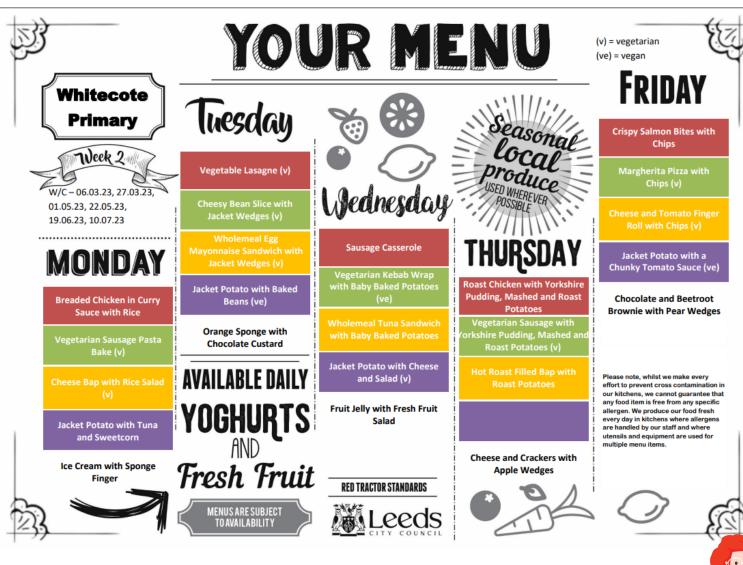


School Lunch Menu and Late Arrivals



Our cook and catering staff work incredibly hard to provide hundreds of meals each day from reception to year six, and often for staff too! With that amount of lunches, timely preparation is key! Up until now, children who are late for school would be allocated a green lunch choice so that the lunch staff can increase on one option rather than four options and it is manageable in the short time they have to make all our lunches!

We have improved our system which means that lead time is now less than it was, children can now choose from the full menu up to 9.30am. After 9.30am a school lunch choice would be a green choice. Our menu is below for next week, our full menu is on the website.



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

We are continually supporting children and families to improve attendance for our children, if you are struggling with attendance or punctuality please contact our pastoral and attendance team who will be able to provide guidance and support. If you need to report your child absent, there are three ways you can do this to avoid reminders or unnecessary phone calls from attendance.

- Use the Studybugs App
- Call the attendance team on 01132164800 (option one)
- Email attendance@whitecote.co.uk

Please do not pass messages through classroom staff as they will not be able to share that until lunchtime due to being in class teaching.

Study Bugs is a fantastic app and we encourage you to sign up for it!







EARLY PICK UP

Picking children up early is disruptive to them, and their class and/or assembly group.

The children may be finishing a piece of work that then remains incomplete, may miss instructions and information regarding the following day and may feel unsettled. Medical appointments that are unavoidable are understandable but we do ask for proof of that appointment.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WHITECOTE PRIMARY SCHOOL





AGENDA

- Election of PTA committee members
- Annual review
- Events and committee updates
- Ideas and fundraising



New Friends of Whitecote

EVERYONE WELCOME!

REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

L:eeds Rhinos Multi-Sports Camp



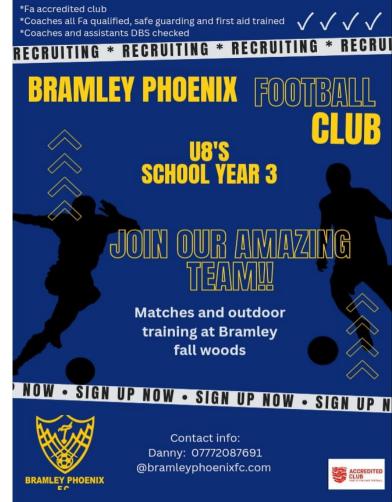
Leeds Rhinos are hosting a Multi-Sports Camp at Farfield Primary School! The camp will run from Tuesday 30th May - Friday 2nd June, 0900-1500.

The ages are 7-14 (school Year 3 to Year 9) and the cost is £15 for the whole week. To book visit <u>Multi Sport Camps (therhinos.co.uk)</u> or for more information contact

Matt.airey@leedsrhinosfoundation.org

Bramley Phoenix Football Club

Bramley Phoenix Football Club are recruiting new members for the team! If you would like to try out or would like more information contact Danny on: 0777207691



Year 6 Eden Camp Visit









Year 6 had an educational visit to Eden Camp Modern History Museum on Wednesday. Learning about what life was like for everyone around the time of war in Britain.



INC award winners for week ending 19th May 2023: Inspire: I will connect my learning to something else I know.



- **R PEAR** Aylin M—You have been doing some brilliant reading, using our new phonics code with confidence. Well done!
- **R APPLE** Harper-Mae M— You have applied what we have learnt about writing sentences to produce some great pieces of writing during your independent learning. Keep it up!
- **1 LAVENDER** Max W—You used time conjunctions in your instructions which you remembered from when we did our recount writing about our visit to Manchester airport.
- **1 ROSE** Alexander H —You connected our learning about quarters in maths to making and cutting sandwiches in our English lesson.
- **2 WILLOW** Jayden W—You have used what you have learnt in our maths lessons in your SATs. Brilliant work!
- **2 HAZEL** Vladislav V—You have applied what you have learnt in our maths lessons to answer some tricky SATS questions. Well done!
- **3 SPRUCE** Ivy Rose C—You have been able to use of some of the new vocabulary in your work. Well done!
- 3 YEW— Edith G—You have been able to connect prior learning with a task during Art this week. Well done!
- **4 ASH** Kai H— Although Kai is new to Whitecote this half-term, he has been using his learning from his previous school and connecting it to the the work we are doing at Whitecote! Great start Kai, well done!
- **4 BEECH** Theo A—You linked your learning about decimals to previous learning about number bonds.
- **5 CHESTNUT** Amel M—You have been connecting your geography lesson on India to your reading and writing work.
- **5 ELM** Evie S—You connected your learning about India with learning about the coronation and our work in English.
- **6 CEDAR** Dylan P—For always, always, always, enriching our learning with your general knowledge and insights
- **6 OAK** Logan H—You made excellent connections between your extensive knowledge of World War Two and what you saw at Eden Camp, bangarang dude!

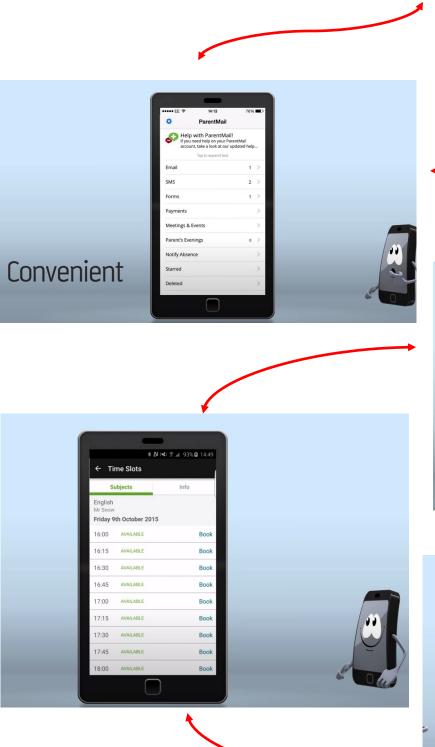
ParentMail Payments Help Guide

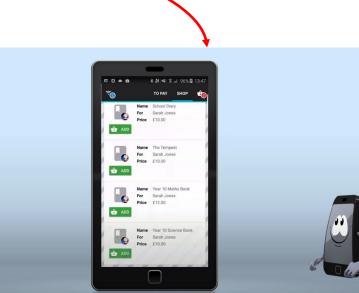


We use ParentMail for payments, consents, forms and booking appointments for parents' evening, so it's really important to get connected if you aren't already. Email office@whitecote.co.uk and we'll arrange for an activation link to be sent. We have some video tutorial links below that can help you navigate the app.

This Making Parents Lives Simpler video guide gives tutorials on how to access forms, Book parents evening and pay for school trips, breakfast and after school clubs, dinner money and more. If you have any more questions do come to the office where we can help!

ParentMail Mobile App For Schools - Making Parents Lives Simpler - YouTube







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Friday 12th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers.

As you may already be aware, one of our families has recently been going through a turbulent time and we are hoping to raise some much-needed funds and awareness by holding a raffle, bake-sale and non-uniform day on Friday 26th May 2023.

In Autumn last year, Malakai in Year 3 was diagnosed with Fanconi Anaemia, which is a rare disorder that causes, amongst other things, bone marrow failure. Malakai quickly became extremely unwell due to this, with the only treatment for bone marrow failure being a bone marrow transplant. The search for a donor was immediate and urgent. Malakai had to have weekly blood transfusions to keep him alive. Fortunately, Malakai's younger sister -Eliza in Year 1 - was a match and so Malakai could have a bone marrow transplant. First, he had to undergo chemotherapy and an extended hospital stay. After that, both children had to stay at home for several weeks in isolation to ensure they did not pick up any other illnesses. Then, Eliza had to attend hospital in order to donate her bone marrow before Malakai could have his transplant. As you can imagine, this has been a very difficult time both emotionally and financially for the whole family and as such we would like to do something to help raise some funds and awareness - both for the family and some of the charites and organisations that have supported them while they have been going through this. Both children have been so brave, and Malakai is now recovering well at home. If you are able to, please consider registering as a bone marrow donor - the wait for matches and transplants can be long and you might just save someone's life, as Eliza has done for her big brother. Mum and dad have been amazing, coping with the most devastating set of circumstances but finding the strength to support both the children and each other on this journey that no parent ever wants to have to go on - and we're sure you'll want to help them as much as we do.

Fundraising Day – Friday 26th MAY - with money raised going to: Anthony Nolan, Candlelighters & Malakai/Eliza's Family

Malakai just loves superheroes, and we think he has been such a hero himself throughout all of this that we would like to invite all the children to <u>come to school dressed as their heroes</u> (think superheroes or real-life heroes) for a donation. We will also <u>hold a bake-sale throughout the day</u> and after school, so please bring donations of cakes/buns etc and 50p if you would like to buy a bun. Finally, in the run-up to the day itself we will be <u>doing a raffle</u>. If you have any prizes to donate, please get in touch with Mrs Burling or Mrs Tweed and keep an eye out for the raffle tickets being sold on the playgrounds/gates over the next two weeks (£1 a strip). Let's show our latest Whitecote Warriors what it means to be part of the Whitecote Family.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Frances Stead Headteacher













