# Newsletter



# 28th April 2023







### 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 2nd May—5th May—Best of British Coronation Celebrations Thursday 4th May—Reception—Dance Workshop Friday 5th May—Coronation Special Menu for Lunch

Tuesday 9th—12th May—SAT's Week 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 25h May—Year 4—Outdoor session about habitats and organisms in the local environment.

# Coronation Party

Friday 5th May 2023

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On Friday 5th May, children will be celebrating the Coronation of our King - King Charles III - by taking part in a number of exciting activities including:

- Performing our 'Best of British' songs to each other
- Bouncy Castles
- King Charles III Whole School Art Project
- Flashmobbing
- Street Party Weather Permitting
- · ice creams

All of these events have been paid for by the school, however, if you would like to sponsor your child, we ask that you bring donations of 50p.

All donations will be given to The Prince's Trust - a charity supported by the Royal Family helping improve the lives of young people around the country.

We ask that on that day, children come to school dressed in red,





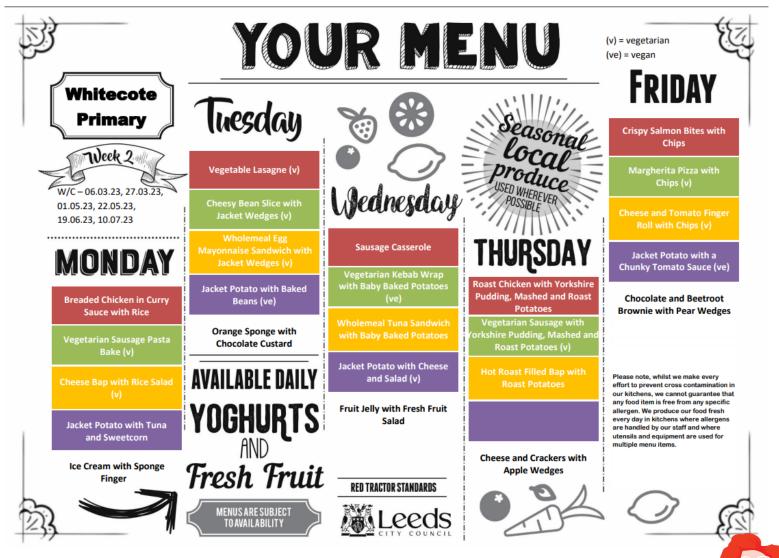




# School Lunch Menu and Late Arrivals

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.



### Vacancy

#### Lunchtime Assistant

We are recruiting! We have a vacancy for a lunchtime assistant to join a great team who support our children in the lunch hall and play ground. The role is for an hour every day Monday to Friday, from 11.30-12.30 and is term time only (no working in the school holidays).

For more information, please see our advert on Indeed, paper application forms are available in the office. All positions in school are subject to references and a DBS check.

We are looking forward to welcoming another member to our Whitecote Team!

Lunchtime Assistant - Leeds - Indeed.com



### Truman Books!



## TRUMAN BOOKS

Books | Conversation | Coffee | Cake

We would like to send out a huge thank you to Truman Books in Farsley for donating these amazing books to our school!

We have recently become partners with Truman Books so when a parent or child visit the bookshop, if you mention that you or your child are a student at Whitecote Primary School we are given a discount to get more books in school!





Are you able to Volunteer some time to support Friends of Whitecote? Will you champion our school and support what we stand for? If so we need your help! We need volunteers to work on events and activities in and around school.
We hope to continue to raise funds for school trips, year six leavers' hoodies, events such as discos and fayres. This year we are also looking at contributing towards a minibus for the school trips and hopefully renewing playground markings.
All of this can be made possible by volunteering and joining Friends Of Whitecote! Find us on Facebook at New Friends Of Whitecote!

### INC award winners for week ending 28th March 2023:

**R PEAR**— Eva G— We have been really impressed with your attitude towards your learning. You have been writing super sentences this week all on your own. Well done!

**R APPLE**— Izoduwa A— You are always using time within lessons and during independent learning to extend your learning in all areas of the curriculum.

**1 LAVENDER**— Scarlett B—You always use your time in provision to extend your learning and find our more about our topics

**1 ROSE**— Elle D-C—You have used all of your learning time by independently completing your activities in provision.

**2 WILLOW**— Kayden H—You have used every bit of time to learn this week, well done! Your attitude to learning has been excellent, keep it up!

2 HAZEL— Elliot G—Your attitude to learning has been excellent this week, using every bit of time to learn. Well done!

**3 SPRUCE** - Zmarai Z—This week you have demonstrated that you use every opportunity to fill your mind with new information. You have been able to demonstrate excellent recall of expanded noun phrases. Outstanding effort, you should be extremely proud of yourself.

**3 YEW**— Eyob Z—You have been working hard to improve your level of handwriting and editing your work when given feedback from the teacher. Well done

**4 ASH**— Dylan-James E—You have really impressed us this week with your independent work in English, going above and beyond the success criteria! Well done, Dylan!

**4 BEECH**— Jonah L—You tried really hard in English, producing more than a page, and your story was really good.

**5 CHESTNUT**— Isiah A—You have been working hard in maths, correcting your long multiplication and moving through the challenges.

5 ELM— Jayden D - you are always ready to learn first and use every moment of your learning time.

**6 CEDAR**— Cassidy C— you have attended our extra tutor group and made the most out of that time even though it is only your second week! Well done!

**6 OAK**— Aimee C— You have been joining in enthusiastically with all our revision sessions , even when you didn't need to be in school—Bangarang!

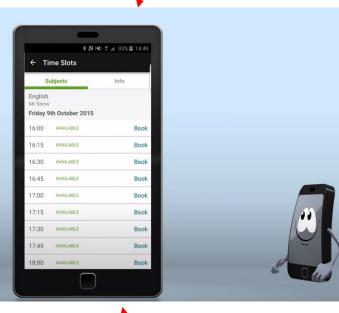
# ParentMail Payments Help Guide

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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