



## Dates to Remem-



Every Monday—Hot Hub 8.45-9.30

Every Monday PM—Reception—Y2 INC/Attendance Assembly

Every Tuesday PM Y3-Y6 INC/Attendance Assembly

18th, 19th and 21st April—Year Five Swimming

Wednesday 19th April—Reception Trip to Abbey House Museum

Monday 24th—28th April—Mock SATS for Year 6

Monday 24th—28th April—Caterpillars in Nursery all week

Wednesday 26th April—Space Virtual Reality Workshop year 2

Tuesday 2nd May—5th May—Best of British Coronation Celebrations

Friday 5th May—Coronation Special Menu for Lunch

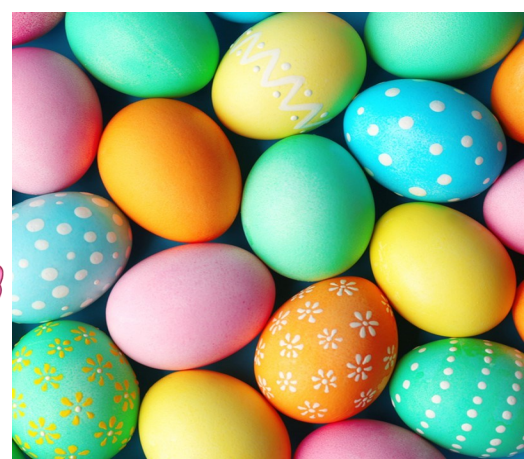
Friday 5th May—Garden Party for nursery

Tuesday 9th—12th May—SAT's Week



We all hope you had a fabulous Easter break! In this newsletter there is the new holiday schedule for 2023-2024 and the calendar for all term dates!

We are looking for volunteers to support Friends of Whitecote, we are fundraising for a minibus which will benefit our children massively, please get in touch with the office if you would like to help!



# 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.

## YOUR MENU

**Whitecote Primary**

*Week 3*

20.02.23, 13.03.23,  
17.04.23, 08.05.23,  
05.06.23, 26.06.23, 17.07.23

**Tuesday**

- Meat Feast Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes
- Sweet Potato Vegetable Chilli with Rainbow Rice (ve)
- Wholemeal Tuna and Cucumber Sandwich with Rainbow Rice
- Jacket Potato with Cheese (v)
- Rice Pudding with Homemade Strawberry Sauce

**Wednesday**

- Roast Chicken and Stuffing Bap with Jacket Wedges
- Super Five Pasta Bake (v)
- Cream Cheese and Cucumber Bap with Veg Sticks and Jacket Wedges (v)
- Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise
- Winter Fruit Flapjack

**Thursday**

- Savoury Mince with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed and Roast Potatoes
- Vegetarian Sausage with Yorkshire Pudding, Mashed and Roast Potatoes (v)
- Vegetarian Sausage Filled Bap with Roast Potatoes (v)
- Coconut Sponge with Custard

**FRIDAY**

- Fish Fingers with Chips
- Vegetable Nuggets with Chips (ve)
- Wholemeal Cheese Sandwich with Chips (v)
- Jacket Potato with Vegetable Curry (v)
- Chocolate Shortbread with Orange Wedges

**MONDAY**

- Spaghetti Bolognaise (v)
- Spanish Omelette served with Jacket Wedges (v)
- Wholemeal Egg Mayonnaise Bap with Jacket Wedges (v)
- Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (ve)
- Seasonal Fruit Crumble and Custard

**AVAILABLE DAILY**

**YOGHURTS AND Fresh Fruit**

MENUS ARE SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

RED TRACTOR STANDARDS

**Leeds CITY COUNCIL**

(v) = vegetarian  
(ve) = vegan

Please note, whilst we make every effort to prevent cross contamination in our kitchens, we cannot guarantee that any food item is free from any specific allergen. We produce our food, fresh every day in kitchens where allergens are handled by our staff and where utensils and equipment are used for multiple menu items.

**Seasonal local produce**  
USED WHEREVER POSSIBLE



## 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](mailto: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.



# School Calendar and Dates to Remember

## Autumn Term 2023

Re-open	Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023
<b>Autumn Mid-Term</b>		
Close	Friday	27 <sup>th</sup> October 2023
Re-open	Monday	6 <sup>th</sup> November 2023
<b>Christmas</b>		
Close	Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> December 2023

## Spring Term 2024

Re-open	Tuesday	8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
<b>Spring Mid-Term</b>		
Close	Friday	9 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
Re-open	Monday	19 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Easter</b>		
Close	Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Re-open	Monday	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2024

## Summer Term 2024

### **May Day**

School is Closed on	Monday	6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
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### **Summer Mid-Term**

Close	Friday	24 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Re-open	Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2024

### **Summer**

Close	Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
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## **SCHOOL WILL ALSO BE CLOSED ON THE DAYS BELOW FOR STAFF TRAINING**

4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023	Training Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2023	Training Day
28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	Training Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024	Training Day
23 <sup>rd</sup> July 202	Training Day

### **Bank Holidays include:**

Christmas 25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> December 2023	May Day 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
New Year's Day 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2024	Spring Bank Holiday 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2024
Good Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	August Bank Holiday 26 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
Easter Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2024	





# School Calendar and Dates to Remember

## Whitecote Primary School Leeds school calendar (term dates) 2023-2024

8 week half term												7 week half term															
2023	August					September				October				November					December								
Monday	31	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25					
Tuesday	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26					
Wednesday	2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27					
Thursday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28					
Friday	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29					
Saturday	5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30				
Sunday	6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31				

5 week half term												6 week half term												6 week half term												7 week 2 day half term											
2024	January					February				March				April					May					June																							
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		5 week 3 day summer holiday			
2024	July	August			
Monday	1 8 15 22 29	5 12 19 26 2			
Tuesday	2 9 16 23 30	6 13 20 27 3			
Wednesday	3 10 17 24 31	7 14 21 28 4			
Thursday	4 11 18 25 1	8 15 22 29 5			
Friday	5 12 19 26 2	9 16 23 30 6			
Saturday	6 13 20 27 3	10 17 24 31 7			
Sunday	7 14 21 28 4	11 18 25 1 8			

195 day school year (5 of these are training days)

- Bank Holiday
- Holiday
- Teacher Training Days

Autumn term = 75 days

Spring term = 54 days

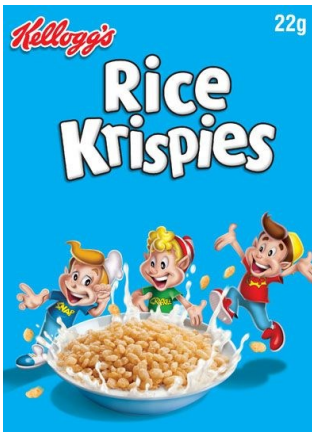
Summer term = 66 days

Total = 195

following school year could start Monday 2 September 2024

## Free Kellogg's Breakfast Cereal at Morrisons!

Morrisons has partnered with Kellogg's to launch a breakfast club where the whole family can request a free bowl of cereal. Both adults and children can choose from a bowl of Cornflakes, Rice Krispies or Coco Pops, with a choice of dairy and non-dairy milk, when they order a 'Kellogg's breakfast' before 11am, in any of Morrisons 397 cafés!





R Apple— Ronnie-Rae L  
 R Pear— Chimenem A  
 1 Rose— Kaiden C-C  
 1 Lavender— Maksymilian S  
 2 Hazel- Iyenoma A  
 2 Willow— Kaiden R  
 3 Spruce— Oyintonyo J

3 Yew— Jacob M  
 4 Beech— Mariama T  
 4 Ash— Ruby T  
 5 Chestnut— Anita M T  
 5 Elm— Samko K  
 6 Oak— Freddy H  
 6 Cedar— Bella R

## INC award winners for week ending 24th March 2023:

Nurture: I will co-operate with others.



**R PEAR**— Harlow F - You are becoming much more confident communicating with your peers. Well done!

**R APPLE**— Emily DP — Emily has settled really well into Apple class this term, having a positive impact on her peers, she works well with others to think of different ways to create things in the creative area as well as writing brilliant stories, always encouraging others to join in. We are all proud, keep it up!

**1 LAVENDER**— Tommy W—you have cooperated well with your group to design, make and evaluate a raft.

**1 ROSE**— Bobby P - you worked so well with your group when making rafts! well done!

**2 WILLOW**— Phillipa C—You made sure everyone could join in with playing at lunchtimes. Well done!

**2 HAZEL**— Caleb C - You have worked really well with your talking partner, sharing ideas and encouraging others to join in. Really proud of you Caleb, keep it up!

**3 SPRUCE** - Jaxon W—You were enthusiastic at Bagshaw at loved looking at the artefacts

**3 YEW**— Tobias El—You are always happy to help others and work with them when they need support. Well done

**4 ASH**— Kacie D - You have been working hard to work well with others, keep it up!

**4 BEECH**— Leon K —You are always happy to work with others or help them if they need it.

**5 CHESTNUT**—Cody B —You always co-operate with members of your class and make sure they are able to get on with their learning.

**5 ELM**— Amelia H—You worked well with other people across the subjects.

**6 CEDAR**— Rory H—for working hard to be a part of our class both inside and on the playground.

**6 OAK**— George A—You have work so hard on collaborating with others and have made huge progress in this area, bangarang!



# Superhero Workshop

Reception had an exciting morning with a visit from 'Dantastic' the superhero. We spent time learning about different superheroes, gadgets, costumes and superpowers. We then learnt how to be a superhero ourselves, by being brave, paying attention and reading lots of books! It was a great workshop with lots of fun had by all!



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!



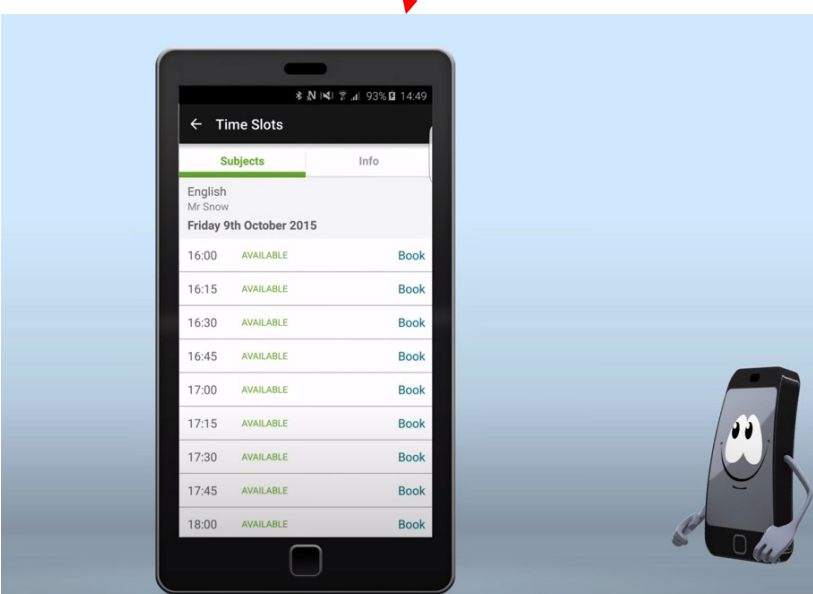
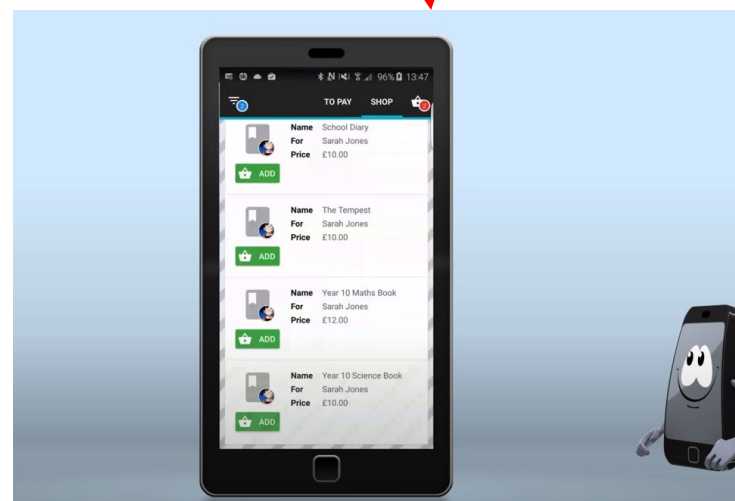
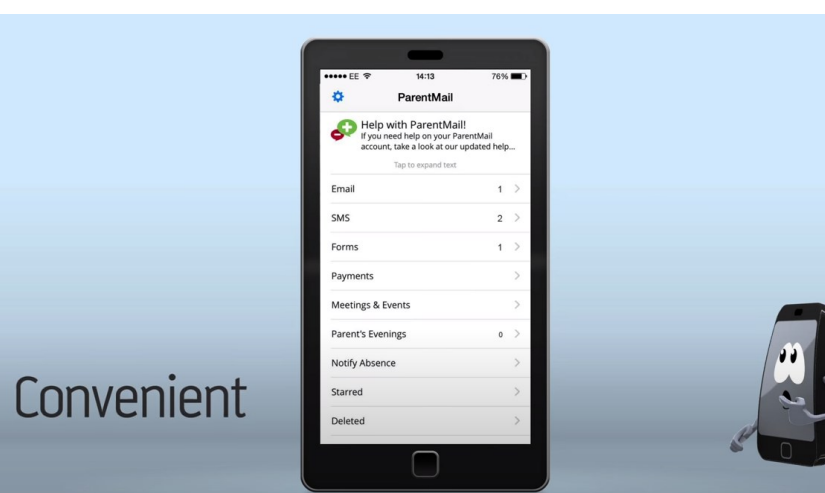
# ParentMail Payments Help Guide



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](mailto: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](#)



## ParentMail

The best parental engagement system in the UK

An easy, convenient way to help you deal with all the things you need to do for your children at school