



Whitecote Newsletter

MAY 2026

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4 - Early Spring Bank Holiday - school closed

11-15 - Y6 SATs week

18 - Best of British

25 - 29 - Spring Half Term Holiday - school closed

Useful Links!

The links below offer helpful guidance for any families who feel they may need support while caring for children. Whether you are looking for advice, practical resources, or someone to talk to, these services are designed to provide reassurance and assistance whenever it's needed. We hope you find them useful.

- o Adoption Uk - [Adoption UK Charity](#)
- o Kinship Care - [What is kinship care?](#) - Kinship
- o Barnardo's - [Leeds Children's Rights \(Advocacy, Looked After\)](#) | [Barnardo's](#)
- o Coram Voice - [Home](#) - [Coram Voice](#)
- o Care Leavers and Children in Care Council - [Leeds Youth Voice](#) | [Leeds.gov.uk](#)
- o ARC - [What is ARC?](#) - [ARC Framework](#)
- o Leeds Pathways Team (Avoiding NEET) - [Leeds Pathways](#) | [Leeds.gov.uk](#)

INC Winners!

Challenge- I will challenge myself to learn something new.

R APPLE - Soraya A - You have learnt to build your own designs and models in our construction and block play area! Well done Soraya!

R PEAR - Riley R - you have been very enthusiastic in our learning about toys from the past and have challenged yourself to use the tricky toys from the past

1 LAVENDER - Scarlet R - You have been working hard to learn new codes in phonics. Well done Scarlett!

1 ROSE - Teddy R - You are learning to form your letters correctly and sit your letters neatly on the line. Well done Teddy!

2 WILLOW - Olivia S - You have challenged yourself with your reading and have moved up another book band!

2 HAZEL - Alfie G - You have worked really hard to improve your writing this week. Well done!

3 SPRUCE - Evelyn W - Evie has worked hard all half term and has been consistently challenging herself to learn something new. She has particularly stood out in reading where she has developed her retrieval skills. Well done!

3 YEW - Teddy D - You have learned new facts about Ancient Greek myths to coincide with our English, reading and History lessons. Well done, Teddy!

4 ASH -

4 BEECH - Milo C - You have been learning more about landscape painting.

5 CHESTNUT - Scarlett A - You have been learning to use a protractor in maths.

5 ELM - Kaiden T - You have been creating strong sentences by adding challenging vocabulary.

6 CEDAR - Troy P - You have worked hard to improve your arithmetic score and have mastered skills you found tricky earlier in the term, well done!

6 OAK - Darcie-Leigh M - You have challenged yourself and taken pride with each new piece of learning.



Our Learning

GREAT ATHLETES VISIT

What an amazing day we had at our Great Athletes Event!

It was fantastic to see all of the children getting fully involved, showing great enthusiasm, determination and teamwork throughout the day. From start to finish, the energy and excitement were incredible! 🌟👏 The children had such a memorable experience and were truly inspired by the athlete, Anthony Cotterill who visited us. A huge thank you to everyone who supported the event and helped make it such a success! Don't forget there are some amazing prizes:

A sheet of stickers for ANY money raised!

A blue Great Athletes wristband for any money raised over £10

A red wristband, signed by your athlete for any money raised over £25

All of the above, plus a signed athlete poster for any money raised over £50!

More photos to follow- keep checking our social media channels and next weeks newsletter 🧡👉🌟



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LAST CHANCE



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**“To our local community
THANK
YOU”**



Our Learning

🎨✨ Picasso Faces! ✨🎨

Reception have been exploring the colourful and creative style of Pablo Picasso in their art sessions this week! The children loved creating their own Picasso-inspired faces using bold shapes, bright colours and imaginative designs. 🌈🎨

We are so impressed with their creativity and artistic skills! 🙌🎨



LUNCHES!

Make mornings easier by pre-ordering!

MIGHTY MEALS MENU 2026					
Great school lunches designed to help young people grow and thrive in everything they do! Seasonal vegetables are provided with all meals or children can opt out for our 'Pick Your Own' salad bar.					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Mains	Margherita Tortilla Pizza (V)(H) Pasta Salad	Chicken Tikka Masala Rice and Naan Bread	Minced Beef Tacos Rice	Pork Sausage Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Fish Finger Butty (H) Tomato Ketchup Chips
Meat Free	Veggie Meatball Sub (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Crispy Topped Macaroni Cheese (V)(H)	Vegetarian Enchiladas (V)(H) Rice	Vegetarian Sausage (VE)(H) Yorkshire Pudding Mashed Potatoes Roast Potatoes Gravy	Crispy Vegetable Nuggets (VE)(H) Tomato Ketchup Chips
Deli	Egg Mayonnaise Bap (V)(H) Homemade Jacket Wedges	Ham Bap Baby Baked Potatoes	Tuna Mayonnaise Wrap (H) Herby Diced Potatoes	Soft Filled Roll with either Pork Sausage or Vegetarian Sausage (V)(H) Roast Potatoes	Cheddar Cheese Salad Wrap (V)(H) Chips
Spud Station	Jacket Potato with Baked Beans (VE)(H)	Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (H)	Jacket Potato with Ham and Cheddar Cheese		Jacket Potato with Tuna Mayonnaise (H)
Desserts	Banoffee Mousse	Carrot Cake with Creamy Custard	Chocolate-Orange Flapjack with Fresh Fruit	Strawberry Crunch Sundae	Raspberry Bun with Fresh Fruit Wedges

Whitecote Primary School
N4 Week THREE
W/C 09/03, 30/03, 20/04, 11/05, 01/06, 22/06, 13/07

Catering Leeds
Feeding the Future

YUM!
In addition to hot meals your child can choose:

Deli
 Filled fresh Soft Bap or Tortilla Wrap with side.

Spud Station
 Oven baked Jacket Potato with side.

FOOD FOR LIFE
SCHOOL SERVED HERE
Soil Association

Please remember to order your child's meals on SchoolGrid (schoolgrid.co.uk).

Choosing meals at home means your child knows what they'll be having for lunch each day. You can order up to the end of the half term, or do this weekly or daily – whatever works best for you.

Orders can be placed online until 9:00am, or through the school office until 9:45am. After this time we can't guarantee availability as the chef will have already started cooking.

Ordering in advance helps mornings run a little smoother and means one less thing to think about! 😊

Healthy Habits

At Whitecote Primary, we're proud to promote healthy habits every day.

💧 Water Only Reminder 💧

To support children's health, concentration and teeth, please remember that *sugary cordials and fruit juices aren't allowed in school, unless your child has a packed lunch as per the school policy.*

Water should be brought in bottles each day to keep children hydrated and ready to learn.

Together, we're building strong, healthy habits for life.

WHITECOTE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Suns Out!

Now that the warmer weather is here (hurrah!) please ensure you send your child to school with:

- Sun cream applied** ☀️
- A hat** 🧢
- A refillable water bottle (water only please)** 💧

Cool Kids Hydrate & Protect!

Whats on & Things To Do!

Sleep Support

West Cluster

Please join us for two
2-hour sleep workshops on:

Part 1 – Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Part 2 – Tuesday 9th June 2026

(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.15am

(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Valley View Primary School,
Coal Hill Drive, LS13 1DD



Inner West Cluster

Topics discussed include –

- Importance of sleep
- Sleepy foods & sleep diaries
- Sleep cycles & recommended sleep
- Self-settling & gradual withdrawal
- Night wakings, night terrors & reducing naps
- Creating positive sleep associations
- Developing routines & using visuals to support
- Adjusting bedtime timings
- Other information & support

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: www.bramleycluster.com



Behaviour Support

West Cluster

Please join us for two
2-hour workshops on:

Part 1 – Tuesday 10th June

Part 2 – Tuesday 17th June 2026

(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.30am

(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Park Spring Primary School
LS13 4QT



Inner West Cluster

Topics discussed include –

- Let's Talk Behaviour, what are you seeing?
- Identifying Triggers
- Emotional Regulation
- Teen behaviours
- Parenting Styles
- Communication and Connections
- Strategies to help

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: www.bramleycluster.com



Emotionally Based School Avoidance

West Cluster

Please join us for two
2-hour EBSA workshops on:

Part 1: Wednesday 17th June

Part 2: Wednesday 24th June 2026

(you must attend Part 1 to attend Part 2)

9.15-11.30am

(arrival 9.15-9.30am)

Christ Church Primary School
LS12 3NU



Inner West Cluster

Topics discussed include-

- Introduction to EBSA.
- Understanding safety & Safety behaviours.
- How to support your child through co-regulation
- Communication & Language
- Working together
- The 3 R'S
- Goal setting & relapse planning.

Please note – these workshops are open to parents/carers from all schools across the Cluster. To book a place please visit our website: www.bramleycluster.com



Whats on & Things To Do!

ATTENTION!



After the success of our Mother's and Other's Day Sale we will be doing a similar event for Father's day. So that our children have the opportunity to buy a present for their father, father figure or friend on the 19th June, we need donations!

We are looking for sweets, chocolate, bath/shower products, socks and any other similar gifts. **NO ALCOHOL.**

Donations can be given at every drop off/pick up time from the first week of summer term 2 (week starting 1st June). Please give any donations to class teachers.



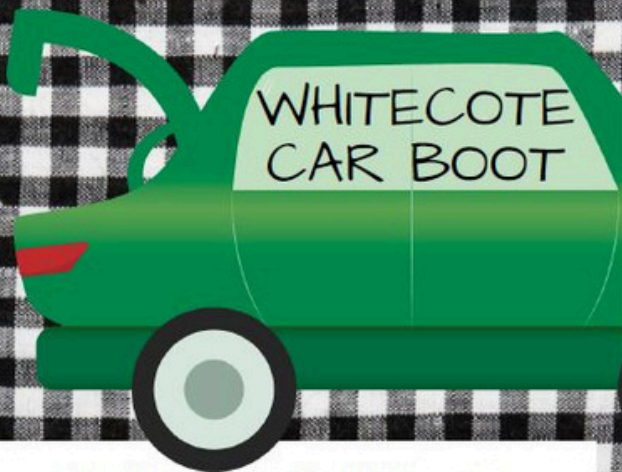
Fathers' and Friends' Day Sale



WHEN: FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2026

WHERE: IN THE HALL FOR CHILDREN IN THE MORNING (THEY WILL BE TAKEN CLASS BY CLASS TO CHOOSE THEIR ITEM), THEN, PARENTS WILL BE WELCOME TO PURCHASE ANY REMAINING ITEMS ON THE PLAYGROUND AFTER SCHOOL.

WHAT: CHILDREN SHOULD BRING MONEY IN TO BUY AN ITEM FOR THEIR SPECIAL ADULT. ITEMS WILL BE PRICED FROM 50P TO £2



SATURDAY 20TH JUNE 2026
AT WHITECOTE PRIMARY SCHOOL'S
FIELD- LS13 2LQ
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 12-2.30
Car pitches £10 each. Free entry to the public. Please email whitecotecommunitygroup@whitecote.co.uk to secure your pitch.

Bring your own table! Gates open 11.30 am and close 3pm for sellers. Pay at gate. pre-booked cars will take priority.



NO LIVESTOCK



NO ALCOHOL



4 Weeks to win!

The year group with the best attendance over the next 4 weeks wins an amazing bouncy castle reward - plus treats for everyone- including adults!

🌟 **Weekly bonus!** 🌟

The class with the best attendance each week will earn the privilege of sitting on the very fancy top table at lunchtime - first in, straight past the queues!

Let's see which class can bounce their way to the top!

Every day counts - be there!

Whats on & Things To Do!

Tuesday 26th, Wednesday 27th,
Thursday 28th & Friday 29th May.
To be held at Calverley CofE Primary School.

£28

with multiple
discount days

**BOOKINGS
ARE NOW
OPEN!**

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MUCH MORE!

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**GO
WILD
OUTDOORS**

WELLBEING EVENT

Bramley Park
Friday 15th May
3:30-5pm



**FREE
EVENT**

Join us after school for:

- Calming crafts
- Fun games
- Wellbeing walk
- Snacks

for the whole family!

Supporting Mental
Health Week and
celebrating the end of
SATs!

 flourishing
families



Scan to
sign-up!



or message Caroline at
07791 144854.

Bramley Community Arts Festival Sat 16 - Sun 17 May 2026



Sat 16 May
10:30am-1pm
Bramley Baths



Sat 16 May
2pm-4pm
Trinity Methodist Church



Sun 17 May
4pm-7pm
Bramley Villagers Club

FREE EVENTS | Pay as you feel

Whats on & Things To Do!



Upcoming Virtual Information Sessions on Microsoft Teams:

Topic - Transitions

Information and practical advice on transitions for children & young people with SEND.

Date: 14th May 2026

Time: 11:30-1pm



Topic - Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA)

Information about pupils feeling unable to attend their school or setting due to their individual needs.

Date: 3rd June 2026

Time: 11:30-1pm

To book a place onto one of these virtual sessions, please email: sendiassevents@leeds.gov.uk

Please state in your email which session you want to attend.

0113 378 5020

www.leedssendias.co.uk

sendiasocialmedia@leeds.gov.uk



- www.leedslocaloffer.org.uk
- @Leeds Local Offer
- LLO@leeds.gov.uk
- <https://tinyurl.com/LLOWhatsApp>

SEND PARENT CARER INFORMATION DROP IN

Date	Time	Venue
Wed 13 May	10.30 till 12.30	The Old Fire Station, Gipton Approach, LS9 6NL

Services in attendance:

- Leeds Local Offer
- SENDIASS
- Carers Leeds
- Child Health and Disability Team (CHAD)
- Leeds Parent Carer Forum
- Little Hiccups
- Speech and Language Therapy Service
- SEND Coordinators, Family Hubs

Let us know if you will be attending the drop in

<https://surveys.leeds.gov.uk/s/InfoDropIn/>



If you would like more information about the drop in sessions email LLO@leeds.gov.uk



What you might want to speak to each service about



- How to find out about SEND services in Leeds
- The Leeds Local Offer website and events
- Signposting to SEND services



- SEND support in mainstream schools
- Preparing for SEND meetings
- Education, Health and Care (EHC) needs assessments and plans
- Mediation and SEND tribunal appeals
- Specialist schools, settings and provisions
- Preparing for adulthood
- Preparing for educational transitions
- SEND funding
- School transport



- How to have your voice heard in Leeds.
- How we represent the voices of parents and carers.
- Events and sessions for families.



- Benefits advice and support (DLA and PIP)
- Emotional support around parent caring role



- Parent-Led Support: A welcoming community for families of children with disabilities to connect and share experiences.
- Inclusive Activities: Sensory-friendly sessions, inclusive play, and family events that build confidence and social inclusion.
- Advocacy & Resources: Help with equipment, peer support, and working with healthcare providers to improve local services and accessibility.



- What support do CHAD offer?
- How can children access specialist care packages?
- What is the threshold for CHAD social worker involvement?
- General questions or queries about social care?
- How to make a referral?



Our family hubs provide a welcoming space where families with children and young people (0 to 19 years, or up to 25 years for young people with special educational needs and disabilities) can access support, advice, and services in one convenient location.



- Support with communication
- Support with eating, drinking and swallowing

The Old Fire Station

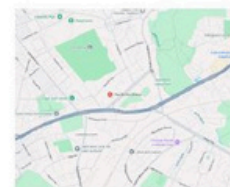
Gipton Approach, Leeds, LS9 6NL



Travelling by bus

There are number of excellent bus services in Leeds. The Old Fire Station is located on Gipton Approach, just off York Road (A64). The following First Leeds bus services stop on York Road: 5, 11, 19, 56, 49 and 64.

Visit the West Yorkshire Metro website and First Leeds for timetables and general information.



Travelling by car

Sat Nav – please use postcode LS9 6NL

From Leeds City Centre, on the A64, go straight on through the major traffic lights at the junction with Harehills Lane (under a footbridge), keeping to the inside lane. You will pass a large care home on your left. Take the next left onto Gipton Approach and the Old Fire Station is almost immediately on the left hand side. Coming towards Leeds on the A64, after passing Asda on your right, stay in the right hand lane as you go straight on through the major traffic lights at the junction with Selby Road A63.

The Old Fire Station has plenty of on-site free parking. Once parked please proceed to the main entrance to the reception.

Whats on & Things To Do!

Step right up for our Carnival-Themed Special Menu Day!

To ensure they get their first choice please remember to pre-order your child's meal on SchoolGrid.

If your child is a packed lunch this is a fantastic opportunity to introduce your child to school dinners in a fun and exciting way! Any questions regarding this or if you are new to SchoolGrid please see the staff in the school office who will be happy to help. Thanks, Whitecote.

FESTIVAL MENU

Bumper Chicken Burger
in a Bun
.....
Ferris Wheel Pizza
.....
Cheese and Onion
Roller Coaster Wrap
.....
Helter Skelter Fries
Carnival Coleslaw
Big Top Crunch Salad
.....
Dodgem Doughnuts
or Fresh Fruit

21st May!

**Pre-order
on SchoolGrid**

Whats on & Things To Do!

Everyone's welcome. Every week we play games, learn skills, earn badges and yes, even eat a marshmallow or two.

Less
screen time
More
green time

Looking for something new for your child to do? Learn life skills and make new friends? Scouts have groups from ages 4 - 18.

Scan the QR code for more information and find your local group



**Inner West -
Bramley, Armley and
Kirkstall**

Tuesday

- Kirkstall Transition Group
15:30 - 17:00

- LWA Mobile
14:30 - 16:30

- Armley Basketball
16:30 - 17:30

- New Wortley Youth Club
17:30 - 19:00

- Bramley Community Centre
(Mixed Ability)
18:30 - 20:30

Wednesday

- Bramley Moorside
Youth Club
16:30 - 18:00

Our Youth Work team also deliver street based Youth Work across the area. For further information about this or any of the wider programme, please contact Daisy on daisy.murphy@leeds.gov.uk or 07891272769



Thursday

- Broadlea Community Centre
Teatime Club
15:45-17:00

- Kirkstall Boxercise
16:30 - 18:00

- Bramley Mobile
16:00 - 18:00

- Hawksworth Youth Club
18:30 - 20:00

- Armley Youth Club
18:30 - 20:30
(Currently a mobile)

Friday

- Cardigan Fields Mobile
16:30 - 18:00

- Bramley Park Mobile
16:30 - 18:00

- Queenswood Mobile
18:30 - 20:30

- West Leeds Activity Centre
18:30 - 20:30

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**Outer West - Pudsey,
Calverley & Farsley / Farnley
& Wortley weekly youth clubs**



Thursday

Farsley Youth Club - Sunnybank Mills
Bobbin Room 4.30 - 6pm

Farnley mobile - Whincovers 4-6pm

Calverley Youth Club - Library Hub
6.30-8.30pm

New Farnley Mobile - Low Moor Side
6.30-8.30pm

Tuesday

Outside In - Youth club
Pudsey business park -
Kent Road
5-7pm. £1 entry (Term Time
only)

Wednesday

Swinnow Youth Club at the
Community Centre
3.30-5pm

Pudsey Youth Club - upstairs
at Pudsey Library
6.30-8.30pm

Tyersal Mobile - Residents
Association car park.
6-8pm

All sessions are for age 11+ and are
FREE entry unless stated.

For further information on the
weekly sessions please contact
denise.kempton@leeds.gov.uk or
message on our social media
accounts

Friday

Lawns Park School Yr 6 Club 3.45-
5pm (Term Time)

Farsley Library Youth Club - 4.30-
6pm

Andy's Youth Space
St Andrew's Church - Pudsey
- Longfield Road entrance
6.30-8pm (Term Time only)

Farnley Senior Mobile - bus terminus
6-8pm



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Are you struggling to get
your child to see a dentist?

Do you think they can sit on a dental chair
and accept dental treatment?

Are they between 5 and 14 years old?

**We want
you**

We are currently introducing a scheme in which we accept parental referrals for children to receive a course of treatment at the Leeds Dental Institute. This means that we are able to offer appointments to children on a first-come first-served basis.

The Leeds Dental Institute (LDI) Student Clinic is a teaching unit which aims to provide the best possible care for our patients. Our students provide patient care appropriate to their level of training and experience and are closely supervised by registered dental professionals who are teaching staff for the School of Dentistry, University of Leeds.

This scheme is not intended to provide emergency dental care for your child. If your child is experiencing dental pain, you should look up urgent care services that provide dental treatment or contact NHS 111. Leeds University Dental Students would not replace your General Dental Practitioner. Your child will be discharged after the completion of a course of treatment.



Appointments are **Monday-Friday in term time**. Treatment is scheduled around University holidays, exams and other student commitments. Missed appointments without prior notification may lead to your child being discharged from the care of University of Leeds Dental Students.

Scan this QR code to access our referral form.

Once completed, email it to:

leedsdt-tr.dentpaedvolunteers@nhs.net



Scan this QR code to watch a video
about what its like to come to see dental
students at Leeds Dental Institute

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS



WHITECOTE SCHOOL TRIPS

 Packed Lunch

 Backpack

 Sun Cream

KEY

 Outdoor Shoes

 Waterproof coat

 Overnight Bag

 Toiletries

 Pyjamas

 Own Clothes

Year 5 - Lineham Farm 10th - 12th June 2026

Price - £120.00 to be paid on Arbor by 11th May 2026

Departing - 08:30am
Returning - 15:15pm



Year 2 - Yorkshire Air Museum 3rd June 2026

Price - £16.50 to be paid on Arbor by 15th May 2026

Departing - 08:30am
Returning - 15:15pm



Year 4 - Hadrian's Wall 2nd - 3rd July 2026

Price - £90.00 to be paid on Arbor by 11th May 2026

Departing - 08:45am
Returning - 15:00pm



Year 1 - Scarborough Visit 7th July 2026

Price - £18.00 to be paid on Arbor by 26th May 2026

Departing - 07:45am
Returning - 16:30pm

