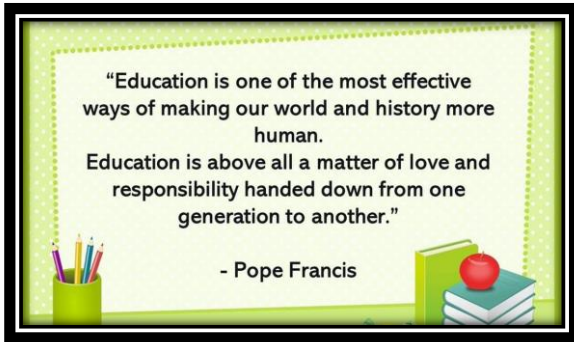




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Autumn Term: 1



The term is now underway and our pupils are embracing the many new educational challenges being planned for them by their educators. Our teaching staff are constantly assessing the progress being made by your children and are tailoring lessons to suit all learners within the class.

As reading is big focus on our school's focus areas this year, we are doing a major overhaul of the range of more challenging books that we are able to expose our children to. We are expecting our new reading scheme to arrive this week and will try to process them as efficiently as we can.

Diversity in Schools...

We are also currently carrying an audit of the variety of books within our school to ensure that we have books to better reflect our school community more widely.

Where possible, we are hoping to appeal to our parents to donate books from a suggested book wish list once this has been created. We would greatly appreciate your support in replenishing our bookshelves.

Thank you for your ongoing support and for the many wonderful greetings that we receive from families daily in our interactions with you. It certainly goes a long way in making our school a happy place to be!

Stay safe and stay well!

Mrs Moloj, Headteacher

Achievements

20 Years of Service



This month, **Mrs Upfield**, our Deputy Headteacher, celebrated 20 years of having served at Whitehall Junior School. We would like to congratulate and thank Mrs Upfield for her ongoing loyalty and dedication to our school community and to education!

Jeans for Genes Day Success



As the first charity drive of the year, I am once again overwhelmed by the generosity of our families. As a school, we have managed to raise **£304** that will go towards the amazing work being carried out by this charity.

We are proud to teach our children about being charitable and we will endeavour to support many local and international charities throughout the year and within reason.

Thank you for making a difference to those less fortunate than ourselves.



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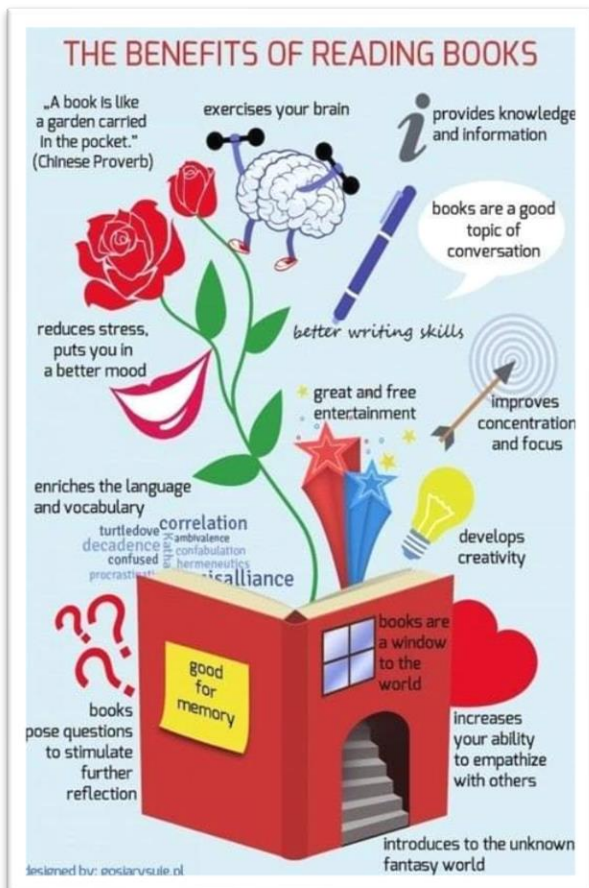
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Book Amnesty



This is a special appeal to pupils currently in Year 4-6. We are asking for the return of any school reading books that were issued before the summer holiday.

Should you know of any other families who have now left the school who may have books that they wish to return to us, please send those books in with your child. This will help us to take stock of what books we have available in school.



'Own Clothes' Day



All children are invited to come into school wearing their own clothes, and not their uniforms, on **Thursday 07th October 2021**. Apart from it being the annual Census Day (the day on which pupil numbers are counted and the DfE allocates school budgets accordingly), we also wish we celebrate the start of October in a fun way. No donation is being asked of families on this occasion.

Special menu that day



For **Thursday 07th October only**, our kitchen team are offering the meals that our children most enjoy:

- Beef Burgers & Chips (Halal & Non-Halal),
- Tortilla stacks and Chips, ice cream

Harvest Festival donations



Annually, at this time of year, we hold a **Harvest Festival**. As we are unable to come together as a whole school to enjoy a Harvest assembly, we wish to continue our tradition of collecting food to help the elderly and needy within our community.



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We are therefore asking for donations of tinned food, other non-perishable goods and toiletries. For canned food items, kindly check that they are still in date.

These can be brought into school by your child from **Monday 4th October 2021** and are to be placed in the collection boxes in the cloakrooms. All donations are to be in by **Wednesday 13th October 2021** for distribution to some elderly people within the community and for collection by the Hillingdon Food Bank.

Parent-Teacher Consultations



Annually, we usually hold two face-to-face meetings with our parents in the Autumn and Spring Terms, to discuss how well your child is progressing.

This term, given the current situation, we will facilitate these via telephone calls instead, allowing you and your child's teacher to discuss how your child is settling into their new class.

These are scheduled for the week of **11th October 2021** and invitations will be sent out shortly to you via our T2P online booking system.

Individual photographs



On **Wednesday 13th October 2021**, our Kittle photographer will be in school to take individual photographs of our pupils. As always, children are to look their smartest and are expected to wear their full school uniform that day.

Secondary School Applications



If you are applying for a secondary school place for **September 2022**, please apply online. Information packs will be emailed out to our Year 6 parents on Monday. Closing date for applying is **Sunday 31st October 2021**.

Wraparound Care now up and running



Breakfast Club: (7:30-8:30 at £3)



After-School Club: (3:15-5:15 at £5 per hour)

We will eventually be exploring the possibility of opening this service up to those with siblings at the Infant School.

Cold & Flu Season Ahead



As part of our annual NHS commitment to tackling colds and flus, our local nursing team will be in on **Friday 5th November 2021** to administer the nasal flu immunisation. This FREE service is offered to all junior-aged children and further information has been sent out to families this week.

Paper copies are available in the Office too. It is important to note that only children with signed permission from a parent will receive the immunisation.



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School uniform

“Think Smart, Dress Smart”



It has been pleasing to see how smart our pupils are looking, especially when they are wearing the correct school uniform.

Black shoes only: Thank you to those parents who have purchased your child a sturdy pair of black shoes over the summer break. There are a few children who have come into school wearing other coloured shoes or black and other coloured shoes/trainers with thick white soles as part of the uniform. Unless being worn on a PE day, these are not allowed.

		Boys	Girls
✓	Smart leather/leather alternative shoe. Plain black.		
✗	No buckles or studs. No skate shoes or trainers. No Hi-tops or plimsoles. No canvas or fabric shoes. No stripes or logos.		

Coats



As we are entering a colder and rainy period, please ensure that your child has their red school jumper on and that they come in wearing a coat. Where possible, our

children have their playtimes in the fresh air and will need to remain warm and dry.

Wearing PE kit to school

As we begin to smarten our uniform again, this is a special reminder for children to wear our correct PE uniform:

Our red PE top or polo shirt, black PE shorts black jogging bottoms and trainers.

PE Day	Year Group
Monday	Year 5 & 6
Tuesday	Year 3 & 4
Wednesday	Year 5
Thursday	Year 3 & 4
Friday	Year 6

Meet the Team: 2021-2022



Position	Member of staff
Headteacher	Mrs Moloï
Deputy Headteacher	Mrs Upfield
Assistant Headteacher	Miss Costa
Year 3	
Year Leader/ Class 3D	Mrs Seymour & Mrs Kelly
Trainee Teacher	Miss Groves
Class 3B	Miss Shaw
Class 3L	Miss Akhter
Year 4	
Year Leader/ Class 4B	Mr Jones
Class 4L	Mrs Norman & Mrs Brooks
Class 4T	Mr Gohil
Class 4E	Mrs Perez
Year 5	
Year Leader/ Class 5P	Miss Mattera
Class 5O	Miss Brown
Class 5E	Miss Hyland
Year 6	
Year Leaders	Miss Costa
Class 6W	Miss Lattimore & Miss Costa
Class 6D	Mr Mitchell
Class 6T	Miss Lusher
Class 6S	Mrs Azeem