



Whitehall Junior School Newsletter Spring Edition

Spring Term: 3

Welcome to WJS



Dear Families,

Welcome to any new families who have joined our WJS community this term. It has been lovely to already meet many of you and look forward to meeting others of you over the remaining months.

With our Spring Term now fully underway, we generally find that our pupils make accelerated progress in their learning and draw closer to fully achieving their age-related expectations.

As our Year 6s prepare themselves for their SATs exams set to take place in May 2026, we know that they are now knuckling down as the staff put them through their paces. Just before we closed, their parents will already have had an update on the progress their children are making.

The Parent-Teacher conferences for our Year 3-5 children will take place in the week beginning **23rd March 2026**. Further information will come out to you soon.

Attendance and punctuality remain crucial, so we continue to monitor this closely.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all families journeying through the religious periods of Lent and Ramadan. May this be a blessed time for all.

On behalf of all staff and Governors, thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours in education,

Mrs Moloi,
Headteacher/ Designated Safeguarding Lead

Achievements

Fantastic Class Assemblies



Parents, I am sure that you will agree that our Friday Assemblies have been such a delight to watch this term. As each class rises to the challenge of showcasing their fantastic learning, it is evident that we have such talented pupils who can project their voices, hold a melody, remember the facts and much more.

A special thank you to you for attending each assembly in great numbers, and to the staff for fantastically presenting each term's teaching and learning.

Upcoming Friday Assemblies (9am start in Hall)	
Friday 06 th March	Class 4 Tigers
Friday 13 th March	Class 4 Bears
Friday 17 th April	Class 4 Elephants
Friday 01 st May	Class 4 Lions
Friday 15 th May	Class 3 Bees
Friday 05 th June	Class 3 Ladybirds
Friday 19 th June	Class 3 Caterpillars

Mrs Simmonds' Nurture Groups



We are fortunate to be able to continue our daily afternoon Nurture Sessions, Mondays-Wednesdays, with Mrs Simmonds, our Wellbeing & Attendance Officer.

In discussion with you as parents/carers and class teachers, we offer identified groups of children a platform to overcome worries in a calm and nurturing environment through arts and crafts.



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General

Welcome back, Mrs Azeem!



This January, we welcomed back Mrs Azeem, previously a Year 6 teacher, who returned from a year-long maternity leave and now joins the Year 3 Team, teaching alongside Mrs Perez in Class 3C. Let's give her a warm welcome back to the Whitehall Junior family.

Farewell, Mr Dylan!



As a school, we have been fortunate to be able to fund a Sports Mentor, Mr Dylan, from Kick London, who has been supporting many identified children across the school over the last year.

Unfortunately, Mr Dylan left us this term, but we are equally delighted to announce that Ms Goda will be returning from her maternity leave in March, on a 3-day basis, to support our mentees.

SEND support this term



Throughout the year, it has been positive to see various families meeting with Mrs Chalcraft, our SENDCo, and our teachers, to agree the best form of support for their children.

Should you wish to discuss any SEND concerns you might have about your child, feel free to email Mrs Chalcraft on: senco@whitehalljunior.org.

Visit our school's website



Have you visited our school's website recently?

To find out more about what is going on each term in your child's year group, why not visit the pages below:

- <https://www.whitehalljunior.org/year-3/>
- <https://www.whitehalljunior.org/year-4/>
- <https://www.whitehalljunior.org/year-5/>
- <https://www.whitehalljunior.org/year-6/>

Ordering of school dinners



Parents and carers are reminded to order your child's meals by midnight daily. EduSpot has already been set up for the term so you can book all meals in advance. Despite every child being entitled to FREE meals again this year, you do still have to order the meals, but no charge will be made to you.

Visit our Parent section of our website by clicking on the link below to see this term's menu:

[Whitehall Junior School - School Dinner Menu](#)

Dress as a Word Day: Thursday 5th March '26



We are very excited to let you know that we will soon be we will be holding a special 'Dress as a Word Day' on **Thursday 5th March**.

On this day, pupils are invited to come to school dressed up to represent a word of



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their choice. A letter has already come out to you explaining more.

Dealing with any concerns



We believe in dealing with any possible concerns that you might have as they arise. In the mornings, there are always members of SLT available at the back gate of our school, along Whitehall Road, with whom you can share minor concerns.

Feel free to talk to the staff on duty and we will direct you to the right member of staff if we are unable to deal with your concerns or questions. For anything further, please contact the Office directly on: office@whitehalljunior.org or if year group specific, please email teams directly on:

Year 3- year3@whitehalljunior.org
Year 4- year4@whitehalljunior.org
Year 5- year5@whitehalljunior.org
Year 6- year6@whitehalljunior.org

Year 6 SATs in May 2026

2026 KS2 SATs Exam Timetable

DATE	EXAM
Mon 11 th May	Grammar, Spelling & Punctuation (Paper 1) Grammar, Spelling & Punctuation (Paper 2)
Tue 12 th May	English Reading
Wed 13 th May	Maths Paper 1 (Arithmetic) Maths Paper 2 (Reasoning)
Thu 14 th May	Maths Paper 3 (Reasoning)

Our Year 6s will sit their SATs exams during the week of 11th May 2026. We strongly encourage all Year 6 parents to support their children with preparations for these end of KS2 tests.

Moving Schools



Are you in Year 3-6, and are moving school and not intending to return to Whitehall Junior School?

If so, please email the Office to request a **leaver's form** for completion. Once your child has begun at their new school, we will contact them to handover relevant files and this will allow us to ensure that your child safely moves onto their new school.

Lost Property Boxes



Since the start of the year, we have accumulated tons of lost uniform and jackets but due to items often being unlabelled, we have been unable to return it to the rightful owners.

Feel free to look through the two 'Lost property boxes' located near the Office and hopefully you will find misplaced uniform.

...and don't forget:

School reopens on Monday 23rd February 2026.