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MRS JAMES - It is with much sadness that I must announce Mrs James will be leaving us at the end of this term. A highly admired and respected member of staff, held in high regard by children, pupils and parent/carers alike, Mrs James will be leaving Whitchurch to pursue pastures new. Mrs James first joined the school in 2015, weeks before Whitchurch Primary was graded 'requires improvement' in an OFSTED inspection. Mrs James worked incredibly hard alongside all the Whitchurch staff to transform it in to the 'good' school that it is today, and along the way picked up many skills and abilities. It is these skills and abilities that she now bestows on our current teachers, LSAs and children, and we thank her for developing so many areas of the school.



As literacy lead she has ensured our school continues to improve and develop, and as deputy designated safeguarding lead has ensured our children are safe, well cared for and happy. On top of this, staff know who to turn to for support in so many areas, whilst Mrs James has shown she is a powerhouse in teaching itself by moving seamlessly from Year 2 to Year 6, ensuring the children of Whitchurch get the very best in their education. All fitting acts of an aspirational deputy head!

I am sure you all join me in wishing Mrs James the very best in her future career, as she truly is the personification and epitomisation of 'achieving our best together!'

RED NOSE DAY – Tomorrow, Friday 18th March - Children may come to school in non-uniform if they bring in 50p for this cause.

NEXT WEEK - WEEK OF ADVENTURE! Whitchurch Primary School are embarking on 'A Week of Adventure' the week **beginning 21st March!** It will be a week of activities and workshops for each class, including street dance workshops, a climbing wall, yoga sessions, concluding with our rescheduled tobogganing on Friday. Due to Covid, children have missed lots of outdoor opportunities and have spent a long time indoors during lockdowns. We have decided to organise 'A Week of Adventure' to give children lots of fun and exciting activities. **Children should wear P.E kit all week to be ready and raring for all our planned.**

For tobogganing – please wear long sleeved tops, long trousers/tracksuit bottoms, waterproof coat, gloves and hat – bring PE kit to change into during the day if clothes are wet.

THE QUEEN'S GREEN CANOPY –
The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) is a unique tree planting initiative created to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee in 2022 which invites people from across the United Kingdom to **"Plant a Tree for the Jubilee"**.

The QGC along with the Woodland Trust, have gifted us a silver birch tree which some children in KS2 helped to plant in gardening this week.

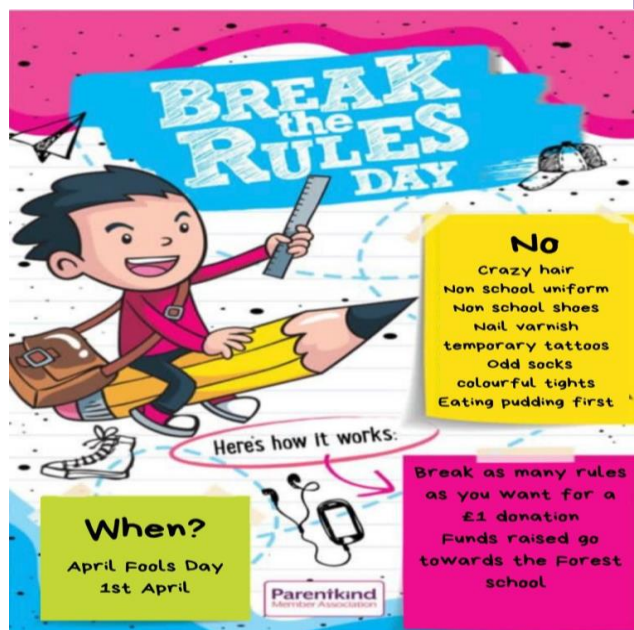


GYMNASTICS – Children in Swans will be taking part in gymnastics sessions at Bristol Gymnastics Centre at the end of this term and start of next term. Letters have been sent home. Please pay on Parentpay.

PARENT'S EVENING — Parent's evening will take place on Monday 4th and Tuesday 5th April – Parrots will take place on Tuesday 5th and Wednesday 6th. Text invites have been sent out today, please contact the office if you have problems booking.

**FRIENDS OF WHITCHURCH PRIMARY –
BREAK THE RULES FOR APRIL FOOLS - 1st April**

For a £1 donation, children can break as many rules from the poster as they wish.



EASTER DISCO - 7th April £2 per child. Reception and KS1 4-5pm with Easter Bonnet parade. KS2 5-6pm with Easter hunt. Please advise a member of the PTA when buying your ticket if your child has a dietary requirement regarding chocolate eg - dairy free, diabetic etc. Tickets will be available nearer the time.



WELL DONE! Congratulations to Alfie in Puffins for winning an award at his rugby club, Bristol Harlequins!



CUPCAKE DECORATING CLUB – Some children in Years 5 and 6 took part in a cupcake decorating club at lunchtime today with Mrs Ware. For the first week they made cats!



PRAISE AND SHOWCASE!

Each week the school rewards children from each class with special certificates!

One will be awarded for excellent behaviour, the other for superb work. Photos may be viewed on the website shortly! Last week's children are:

ROBINS: Luca has been praised – Ivy has received the showcase award

PUFFINS: Emily has been praised – Jacob S has received the showcase award

PARROTS: Disini has been praised – Alaiya has received the showcase award

PENGUINS: Lily has been praised – Chloe has received the showcase award

SWANS: Leo has been praised – Tyrone has received the showcase award

SWALLOWS: Isabella has been praised – Tyler has received the showcase award

KESTRELS: Cole has been praised – Betsie has received the showcase award

KINGFISHERS: Layton has been praised – Alyssa has received the showcase award