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LIGHTHOUSE COMPETITION!



Thank you for your fantastic entries into our Trust's 'Lighthouse competition'. Closing date is 30th September, so we welcome more submissions, be they drawings, models or paintings!



YOUTUBE AND SPOTIFY ETC:

Please could we ask parents and carers to monitor their children's use of YouTube, Spotify and other online media platforms. A small number of children have returned to school playing inappropriate games and singing songs that our not suitable for school. Thank you.

WELCOME TO WHITCHURCH RECEPTION CLASS!

Robins children have enjoyed their first week at Whitchurch Primary School! The children have been cooperating and learning superbly with our EYFS team, and we take great pleasure in welcoming the children and their parents/ carers to the school!



OPEN DAYS FOR RECEPTION 2024 – Our open days for the new

Reception intake next year are:
Tuesday 17th September – 9:30am
Wednesday 16th October- 1:30pm
Friday 8th November– 9:30am
Wednesday 4th December at 5pm
Thursday 5th December at 9:30am
Wednesday 8th January at 10:00am

Do come and join us to see how we are all 'achieving our best together!'

PTA BARBECUE! Reminders below! Please support us in all that we do for our children and the wider community!



YOUR PTA NEEDS YOU

THE PTA ARE DRASTICALLY LOW ON VOLUNTEERS, AND ARE IN NEED OF HELP.

A LACK OF VOLUNTEERS MEANS NO EVENTS SUCH AS BBQS AND DISCOS, BUT ALSO NO ACTIVITIES FOR THE CHILDREN, SUCH AS CLIMBING WALLS.

IF INTERESTED IN HELPING US, PLEASE SEE A PTA MEMBER, OR SPEAK TO YOUR CHILD'S CLASS TEACHER FOR OUR

PARENTPAY AND PAYMENTS: Last academic year we lost funding as parents/carers contributions were not covering our school excursions, trips and other outings. We really do need parental contributions in order to continue many of the occurrences our school is well known for, such as swim and gym trips, London visits and camps. Whilst we are fully aware not all may be able to contribute, if this is the case please do speak to the office or Mr Hornsby.

From this academic year we will let you know of trips well in advance. Please do contribute as should we not have reached the funding required one week before the trip, we will have to make alternative arrangements, including cancelling.

CLUBS: Rises in pricing have affected us as a school. As such, parental contributions to after school clubs must increase to £4 per session to cover the cost of coaches, materials and amenities. Nonetheless, this is still excellent value for an hour of enjoyment, activities and fun!

EYFS BASELINE: Children who have joined our school in reception are already completing a series of challenges and puzzles as part of the government EYFS Baseline. This will provide information to ensure each and every child gets the very best educational provision in our school. Please ensure your child is on time each and every day for these. Thank you.

ON THAT NOTE: A reminder that attendance is important for each and every child in our school. Please bring your children to school each and every day to ensure they are learning and thriving. Next week we will be inviting parents and carers of children who have missed 10% of their schooling already this academic year to find ways to support you in helping your child attend. Please do join us for these meetings, many who do thank us for the assistance and advice we are able to provide; the meetings are not a telling off!

FRUIT in KEYSTAGE 1: Please be aware there is no need to send in fruit/ vegetable snacks with Key Stage 1 children (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) as we are able to provide these free of charge. However, should you want to send in additional snacks (of a healthy nature, such as fruit and veg) please do!

WHAT A GREAT FIRST WEEK! Well done for all, we've completed our first week back! The children have returned calm, happy and eager to learn!

