

It has been a busy term and we have fitted an awful lot in to the last 8 weeks!

Foundation have settled well into the life of the school, all our new teachers are now established.

We have employed new teaching assistants, welcomed several new children throughout the term and finally got our Adventure Playground up and running and enjoyed by everyone.

Have a restful and fun Half Term everyone.

Harvest

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Harvest Festival. It was a great success and we had so much food to donate to the Food Cupboard. They were very grateful and it will mean families who need supporting will receive the help they need.



Dates for your Diary

Friday 26th Oct – INSET Day

29th Oct-2nd Nov – HALF TERM

Wed 31st Oct – Deadline to apply for secondary school

Fri 2nd Nov – Fireworks at Fairfields at 5.30pm

Mon 5th Nov – Pupils return to school

Fireworks at Two Mile Ash School at 6.00pm

Thurs 8th Nov- 9am Year 5/6 Assembly –

Parents welcome

Fri 9th Nov – Diwali celebrations (*Change in date, please let us know if you can help*)

Wed 14th Nov – Individual school photos (no children in Sports kit please)

Fri 16th Nov – Children in Need

Friends of Whitehouse AGM at 8.45am

Fri 23rd Nov – Reception Intake 2019 Open Morning (10am)

Mon 26th Nov – Last week of clubs

Fri 30th Nov – Non-uniform day

Wed 5th Dec- 9am Year 3/4 Assembly –

Parents welcome

Thurs 6th Dec – Christmas Fayre

Thurs 13th Dec – Christmas Production 2pm
Y1 and Y2

Tues 18th Dec – Christmas Production 2pm
Foundation

Wed 19th Dec - Christmas Production 2pm(tbc)
Nursery

Uniform - Labelled

We still have so many lost and unclaimed jumpers! Please can we ask that all school uniform and PE kit is **clearly labelled with your child's name** so that it can be returned to them.

Please can we also ask that all uniform is checked at home to make sure it belongs to your child as we have had quite a few items go missing already that may have been taken home by mistake.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Start: WC 24th September

End: WC 26th November

(No clubs in half term, or Parents Evening week)

Road Closure

Abbeys Homes have informed us that Red Poll Way will be closed throughout Half Term.

E-safety: Keeping our children safe online is always a worry. How do you do it? How strict should I be?

If you want to find out more, why not have a look at this website. It covers the popular sites and how to look after your child whilst they are online.

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/resources/platform-guides/>

Nursery

The deadline for starting school applications is 15th Jan 2019.

Parents must apply online via the Citizens Portal:

<https://emsonline.milton-keynes.gov.uk/CitizenPortal> LIVE

Deadline to apply for Secondary School – 31st Oct 2018

All children in Year 6 have until 31st October 2018 to apply for a place in a secondary school for September 2019. Parents must apply online via the Citizens Portal: <https://emsonline.milton-keynes.gov.uk/CitizenPortal> LIVE

To find out more information please visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions

Music Lessons

There is lots of lovely music happening all over the school now and it is great to see everyone so enthused by learning a new instrument.

Please remember that if for some reason you do wish to stop your child's music lesson at the end of this term, then you must give Mrs Anderson written notice by Monday 5th November.

Timetables, as always, can be found on the music timetable board.

Class Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to all the classes that have been awarded the Class Attendance trophy this 1/2 term!

Friends of Whitehouse

Our next 'Friends of Whitehouse' meeting will take place on Friday 9th November at 8.45am, Please feel free to come along!

Friends of Whitehouse will also hold an AGM on Friday 16th November to bring together our constitution. Please meet in reception at 8.45am

Well done to our Spot Picture winners!



“Over and Above”

Those children who have been consistently going “over and above” will be recognised by being selected as the “student of the week” and get to attend Hot Chocolate Friday #HotChocFri which is the opportunity to share a hot chocolate, biscuit and a chat with Mrs Kelly and Mrs Anderson.

Our Hot Chocolate Fridays are Mrs Kelly’s and Mrs Anderson’s favourite part of the week. They get to share the reasons why the children have been chosen and enjoy finding out more about the children in a relaxed environment – they also have lots of giggles!



Pride in Presentation Awards

Well done to everyone who received a trophy for the Most Improved Handwriting or Best Handwriting this half term.



Headteacher Awards

Well done to the children who received the Headteacher's award this half term.

Class teachers nominate children who have not only worked hard and been a lovely member of the class, but someone who follows the Whitehouse rules and is a good friend to others. These children will all be attending the Headteacher's Tea Party at the beginning of next half term.

