

What a fantastic festive season we have had at Whitehouse Primary School! There are lots of photographs on the website for you to see all of the fantastic things the children have been up to. These include Christmas performances, Carol Services, Christmas lunch, as well as curriculum activities and sporting events. The children have once again been a real credit to us all this term. They have all worked very hard, enjoyed many new learning experiences and contributed so well to the success of our school. Thank you all for your continuing support and contributions. I would also like to thank the staff who all work tirelessly to support the children to be the very best they can be. Our team commitment ensures that we provide a fantastic education for all children and we look forward to building on this next term. We hope that you all have a lovely family holiday and everyone at Whitehouse Primary wishes you a Merry Christmas and best wishes for a happy, healthy 2020. We look forward to welcoming you all back to school on Tuesday 7th January 2020.

Mrs Kelly, Headteacher

Dates for your Diary

Friday 20th Dec	Term Ends
Weds 1st Jan	Deadline for dinners
Monday 6th Jan	Inset Day
Tuesday 7th Jan	Term starts
Tuesday 7th Jan	Year 3/4 History Workshop
Friday 10th Jan	Open Morning 9.15am
Thursday 16th Jan	School Census Day
Tuesday 4th Feb	Year 2 Play 2.00pm
Wednesday 5th Feb	Year 2 Play 9.30am
Tuesday 11th Feb	Parents Evening
Thursday 13th Feb	Parents Evening
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
30 -31st March	Year 4 Caldecotte residential

Extra-Curricular Clubs

All clubs for the spring term will be available to book after the Christmas holidays. A ParentMail will be sent out when they are live.



<https://www.whitehouseprimary.co.uk/news/>

Well Done Hanshika!

Hanshika competed in a national tournament for Badminton England, in November, and won 3 gold medals! Hanshika is now ranked England No 1 in Under 11's Mixed Doubles.

What an achievement! Well done!



NEW!

Follow Mr Williams' sport news on
Twitter: @WhitehousePri



A few of our sporting highlights this half term...



Year 3/ 4 Basketball Festival

WINNERS!

A fantastic evening for our basketball team! Qualifying in 1st place and unbeaten on the night to reach the Milton Keynes finals! Well done!

Year 6 Badminton Festival

WINNERS!

Superb evening for the badminton team! They played singles and doubles matches throughout the evening and finished unbeaten which is a fantastic achievement! We are through to the Milton Keynes finals! Good luck Team Whitehouse!



Year 5/6 Basketball Plate Finals

WINNERS!

An amazing evening of basketball! The team played some superb basketball and worked their socks off as a team to win! We are so very proud! Gold medals for all!

Sleeping Beauty Pantomime

We were lucky enough to be visited by M&M Productions this holiday season. They presented us with a wonderful pantomime of Sleeping Beauty! Children of all year groups took the afternoon off to come together to enjoy the show, and we were even treated to a 'dance off' by the teachers who were keen to get involved!

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this special treat for the children.



School Christmas Dinner Day

On Wednesday 18th December, staff and children at Whitehouse Primary sat down altogether to enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner (with all the trimmings!).

It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas at Whitehouse!



Reverse Advent

Whitehouse families have been collecting food for those in need, across Milton Keynes, over this festive period. During classtime we have talked about the importance of being part of the wider community and working together at Christmas, as well as, throughout the year. Each class was tasked with filling as many boxes as they could with items the food bank were short on. The pictures show how the children were encouraged to be creative with their boxes too!

Early Years

Wow! What a wonderful half term we have had in EYFS. It has been full of lots of exciting activities and experiences. The children have made so much progress and are showing such determination and enthusiasm. This term we have been looking at fairy tales, traditional tales, birds and other animals, and the Christmas story. The children in FS2 (Foundation) had the privilege of having Falconry UK in to visit whilst the Nursery children had a very exciting visit from Zoo Lab! We cannot wait for more adventures during the Spring term!

Sadly, we have to say a fond farewell to Mrs Beale as she leaves Whitehouse and moves on to a new adventure. We would like to thank Mrs Beale for all her hard work and dedication and wish her the very best of luck.

KS1

Year 1 have been busy rehearsing and performing their Christmas Nativity 'I'm Gonna Shine' – the KS1 team have been very impressed with the children's hard work learning their lines and acting with confidence!

Year 2 have been enjoying their English learning where they have been planning and writing their own adventure stories about a character who has to try and find their way back home. We have been amazed by the excellent similes and description that the children have been using in their writing.



Lower KS2

Years 3 and 4 have wowed us with their learning this term as they have discovered all about the amazing human body. We have been so lucky to have had access to some incredible resources from MK Museum to enrich our "Burps, Bottoms and Bile" topic, as well as being visited by Anglian Water, where we made Sewage Soup. The children have been so engaged and produced lots of wonderful work to show off their learning. What a fantastic term!

Upper KS2

What a half term we have had in Year 5/6! It has certainly been a busy one. We have been learning all about space and have written some great suspense pieces based on the film E.T. We kicked off our Christmas celebration with Tony and the team from the local, newly formed, church taking part in 'Christmas Cracked' - a fun-filled morning learning what Christmas means to Christians. This week we have performed at Shenley Retirement Village and some of us sang at the Whitehouse Community Carols! We have had a wonderful term, filled with hard work and dedication and now we are looking forward to the Spring term.

Christmas Fayre

What a fantastic Christmas Fayre! We welcomed families, friends and the local community into our school to take part in our annual festivities. We had wonderful live performances, a variety of stalls for the children to enjoy and plenty of hot dogs and mince pies to tuck into!

We would like to offer our thanks to members of 'Friends of Whitehouse Primary' as well as parents/carers and pupils who assisted on the day.

Overall, the Christmas Fayre raised over **£2,400** which is a tremendous achievement!

A BIG thank you to...

- Loughton Baptist Church
- Coca Cola
- Morrisons
- Lantmännen Unibake UK
- MacIntyre
- Stony Stratford Lions Club
- Community Action MK
- ICP Hygiene
- Pristine Property Services
- Chapmans Building Services
- Pristine Flooring MK
- On Call Plumbing & Heating
- Play Parties
- The Harvester at Loughton
- Abbey Hill Golf
- 360 Play
- Thrift Farm
- Bletchley Park
- Daniela Taylor - Beauty For You
- CALA Homes
- Maisies
- Mr Marcel
- Morrisons
- Bounce
- Mitchell Ryan Ltd
- Kidz Club
- MK Dons
- Shoulder of Mutton restaurant
- Barbel Business Solutions
- Mr & Mrs Mackey
- Energie Fitness

...Plus all of our parent helpers!!





School Dinners Deadline:

1st January 2020

(Please note – allergen
information has recently
been amended, please view
on the website)

Contact Details

Is Santa bringing you a new mobile phone this Christmas? Make sure you update the office with your new contact number!

Primary School Applications

15th January 2020



DEADLINE

IMPORTANT NOTICE

We have noticed an increase in cars being parked outside the school office to drop off/collect children. This is causing obstructions for local residents and posing a health and safety risk for children trying to enter/leaving the vehicles.

Please may we remind you that these are NOT car parking spaces and our school car park/overflow car park should be used at all times. In the new year these spaces will be closely monitored to ensure our pupils safety.

School Census Day – American Themed Dinners!

On Thursday 16th January we will be offering an American themed menu at lunch time for school census day. Please can we encourage all parents to book a meal this day as it is directly linked to our school funding!

Online Free School Meals – Please Check!

Please may we ask that all parents register for Free School Meals. Should your circumstances change the school gets automatically notified of your entitlement. We ask that you apply, even if your child does not eat hot meals or is entitled to the Universal Infant Free School Meals (Years Foundation, 1 & 2). To register, please visit:
<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims>

Headteacher Awards

- Esmee
- Finley
- Sania
- Vedasri
- Scartlett. M
- Ben. S
- Zara. CG
- Jack
- Shrika
- Kaila
- Emir
- Freya
- Amelina

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.

Most Improved Handwriting

- Nathan. K
- Kodie
- Bora
- Sahasra. S
- Jordan
- Nara
- Samuel

Best Handwriting

- Khizar
- Saanvi. D
- Charumati
- Idhika
- Lemuel
- Inaaya
- Akshath

Sports Achievers

- Zak. M
- Eashaan
- Oliver. C
- Zahra. M
- Sophie
- Jenefa

