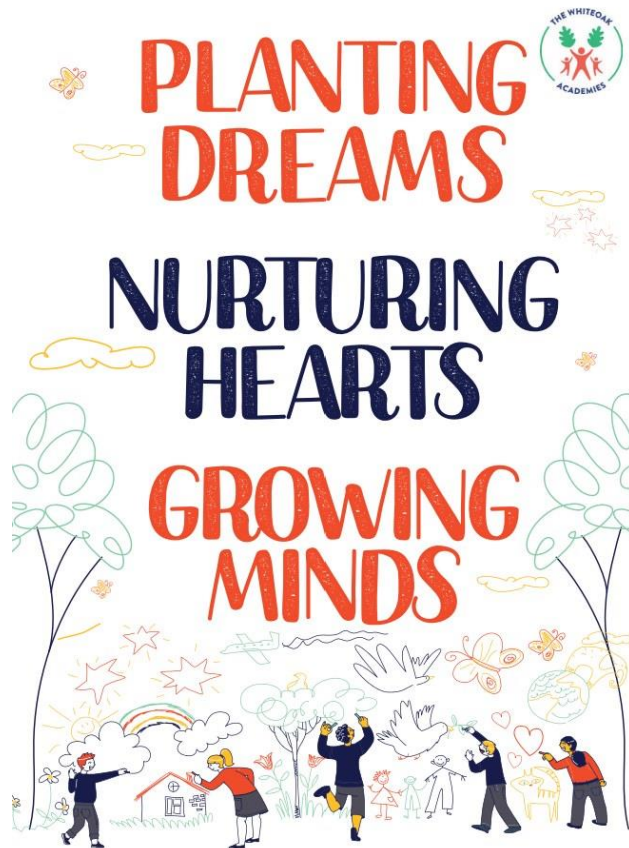


The Whiteoak Academies Newsletter

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Headteacher's Message



We have had another fantastic week at school with children working hard and enjoying being in their new classrooms. Miss Flemming, Miss Kerlogue and myself regularly pop into classes and it is a real pleasure to see this learning in action so soon into the new year.

I would like to say thank you for following our morning routines and for supporting your children to settle so successfully into the start of the school day. Your support is helping the children to develop their independence and ensuring that the day begins calmly and positively.

Don't forget, if you have a message for your child's teacher in the morning, please pass this to the school office and they will make sure it reaches the relevant member of staff. Alternatively, teachers are available at the end of the school day for a quick conversation. You can also contact

teachers at any time using your child's year group email or the school office email. Thank you for helping us to protect that important start-of-day learning time.

I hope you all have a good week.

Mrs Reyes

What you need to do this week:



1. If your child is in Year 6, please ensure you have read the 'Time to Apply for Secondary School' letter sent via Studybugs last week. The **closing date is 31st October 2026**.
2. Also, if your child is in Year 6, don't forget the meeting about Kilve Court on Tuesday (23rd) at 5.00pm.
3. If your child was lucky enough to unwrap a Golden Ticket in Friday's Wonka bar event, please do email us at school (school@hannahmoreandgrove.co.uk) so that we know who to talk to about organising the various rewards!

Introducing our new house captains!



A huge well done to all of our Year 6 children who put themselves forward to become House Captains. Each candidate delivered an exceptionally well-written and convincing speech to their house last week, sharing their ideas and explaining why they would be a great representative.

The children then took part in a pupil vote, giving everyone the opportunity to have their voice heard and to experience democracy in action. This was a wonderful opportunity to develop our understanding of the British Value of Democracy, as well as the importance of listening to others, respecting different choices and taking responsibility within our school community.

Congratulations to our newly elected House Captains, and well done to every child who had the confidence and courage to put themselves forward.

Toys and fidget aids

We would just like to remind you that children should not bring toys or fidgets into school from home. This includes squishy toys and slime. We are conscious that some squishy toys contain chemicals that are not fully regulated and may pose a risk if they burst or leak. A small number of children have permission to use a sensory 'fidget' toy, as agreed with our SEND team. These will not include squishy toys or slime.

If you have any questions about this, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher via their year group email address. Thank you for your continued support in keeping our school environment safe and welcoming for everyone.

Consistency across our school

One of the strengths of our school is the consistency of our approaches. Using the same routines for behaviour, lining up, gaining children's attention and moving around school means that children know exactly what is expected of them, wherever they are and whoever they are with. This consistency helps children to feel secure, supports positive behaviour and allows valuable learning time to be protected.

By working together as a whole school, we can help children to develop strong habits and take increasing responsibility for their behaviour and learning.

You may hear the children talk about 'STAR' position over the next few weeks as that is something we have introduced this term. We use this to help children listen carefully, participate confidently, respect different viewpoints and build on one another's ideas, creating calm classrooms where everyone is ready to learn. Do ask them about it!



Local community events, clubs and opportunities

Join Us For 

Nailsea Community Clean-Up

Join Us in
Creating a
Cleaner Town



Let's come together to make a difference! All ages welcome.



Location
Millennium Park
near the Skate
Park



03 October 2026
Starts At 1:00pm
meet at 12.45pm



Just turn up—every hand helps!
Please Bring your own
Gloves



01275 855277



enquiries@nailseatowncouncil.gov.uk







Upcoming Events



Term 1 - 'Belonging'

- 23 September - Meeting for Year 6 parents re Kilve Court residential trip, 5.00pm at school
- 30 September - Prospective parents' tour (children starting school Sept 2027), 9.15am
- 5 October - WOWSA 'Rags to Riches' clothing collection
- 7 - 10 October - Year 6 on residential camp
- 9 October - WOWSA 'Break the Rules' Day
- 12 October - Prospective parents' tour (children starting school Sept 2027), 9.15am
- 14 October - Flu immunisations (more information to follow)
- 23 October - Uniform Sale after school
- 23 October - Last day of Term 1
- 31 October - Closing date for applications to Secondary School for pupils currently in Year 6

Term 2 - 'Courage'

- 2nd November - Children return to school
- 5 November - Prospective parents' tour (children starting school Sept 2027), 1.45pm
- 16 November - Road Safety Week
- 16 November - Anti Bullying Week
- 16 November - Odd Socks Day!
- 20 November - INSET Day (school closed to children)
- 24 November - Reception, Year 3 and Year 4 Winter Discos
- 26 November - Year 1, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6 Winter Discos
- 27 November - School photos (individual)
- 2 December - Wreath making (workshop for adults)
- 5 December - WOWSA Winter event
- 18 December - Hot Chocolate Friday and Uniform Sale after school
- 18 December - Last day of Term 2

Term 3 - 'Kindness'

- 4 January - Children return to school

Housepoint Celebrations



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Congratulations to Trendlewood Wolves who were the winning house in last week's house point totals! The points were high for all houses though so the children have obviously been working hard and trying to be the best version of themselves in all aspects of school life.