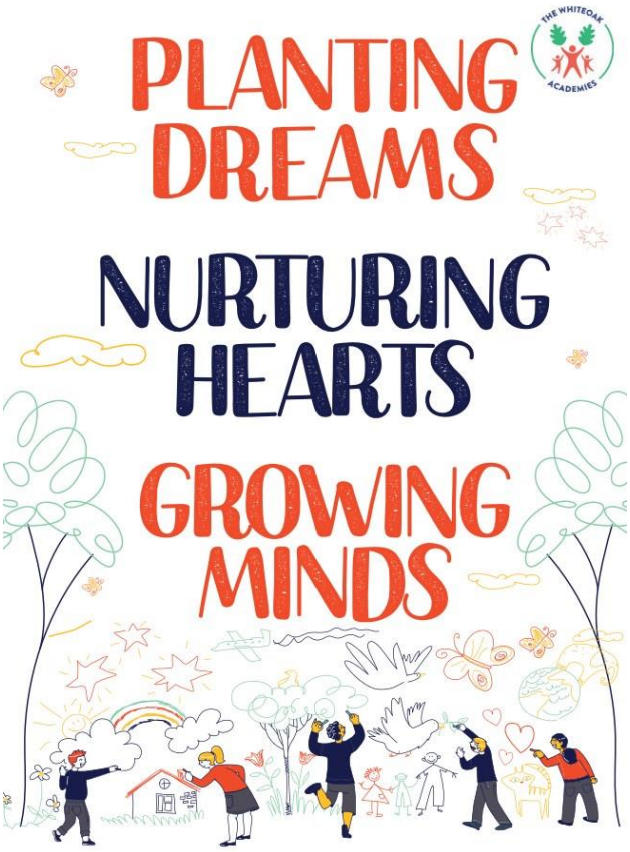


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Headteacher's Message



As we reach the end of Term 1, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on what has been a really positive start to the academic year and to say thank you to our school community.

Firstly, a huge well done to all of our children. They have settled into their new classes and routines so well, embraced new challenges and shown such enthusiasm for their learning. It has been lovely to see them growing in confidence and we are incredibly proud of them! I would also like to thank our fantastic staff team. Their commitment, hard work and compassion never cease to amaze me. The care they show our children every day, alongside their dedication to providing the very best learning experiences, makes such a difference to our school.

To our parents and carers, thank you, too, for your continued support, encouragement and partnership throughout the term. Strong relationships between home and school are so important, and we really value these.

Last week, our Junior school welcomed a team of Ofsted inspectors, and I would particularly like to thank the many parents who took the time to offer words of support, both in person and through the parent survey. Your kind words, encouragement and willingness to share your experiences meant a great deal to us all. We are very proud of our school community, and it was

lovely to feel that support so strongly. Once we receive the final report, we will, of course, share it with you all.

As we start the half-term break, I hope you are able to enjoy some time together. Whether you have exciting plans or are simply looking forward to a slower pace, I hope it is a happy and relaxing week for you all. Keep an eye out for our next newsletter, which will be arriving next weekend, with some information and reminders to help prepare for the new term ahead.

Wishing you all a good half term.

Mrs Reyes

What you need to do this week:



1. Don't forget to **book your child's school dinners** for after half term.
2. Check the time of your **Parents' Evening appointment** on either Tuesday 3rd November or Thursday 5th November. Information about where to go on arrival will be shared in next weekend's newsletter.
3. Don't forget that **Friday 20th November is an INSET day** and school is closed to children.

After School Clubs for Term 2

Please see the links below to book your child a place on the clubs run by Premier Education next term:

Tuesday - Year 5 and 6 Gymnastics - https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/959042

Thursday - Year 3 - Year 6 Girls' Football - https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/959048

Friday - Year 1 - Year 4 Football - https://family.premier-education.com/add-course/959021

New Chess Club for Year 4 - Year 6, Tuesdays after school

Thank you for sending us your interest in this. We had a really good number of children who would like to join and we are now just waiting for the company to confirm the details.

Please look out for a message via Studybugs next Monday to book your child a place. Sessions will be £4.00 a week and will start on Tuesday 10th November.







Nailsea Community Larder

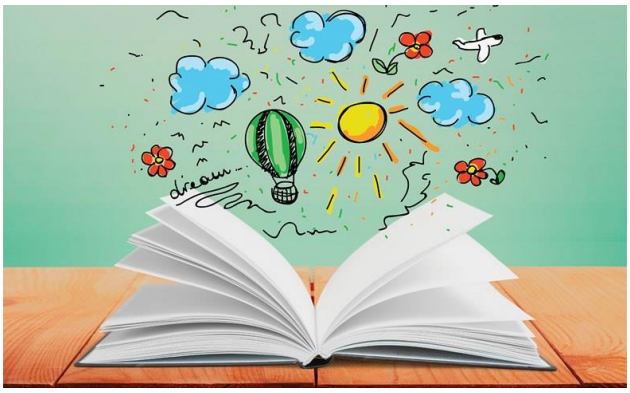
Just a reminder that The Community Larder exists to reduce food waste. All items of food are free as they need a home to stop them being wasted. All members of the community are welcome to take five items from the Larder, plus bread, every day.

The Larder is open 10.00am - 12.30pm Monday to Saturday and is located in the Crown Glass Shopping Centre (26 Somerset Square).

Reading Tip of the Week

A little every day

Short, regular reading is much more valuable than an occasional long session. Ten minutes of enjoyable reading together can make a real difference, particularly over a half term week. Find a time that works for your family and make it part of your routine.



Events in the local community





Upcoming Events



Term 2 - 'Courage'

- 2nd November - Children return to school
- 3 November - Parents' Evening

- 5 November - Prospective parents' tour (children starting school Sept 2027), 1.45pm
- 5 November - Parents' Evening
- 6 November - Non uniform day for Moorend Eagles (the blue house)
- 13 November - Children in Need Day
- 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)
- 28 November - Whiteoak Choir to sing at Holy Trinity Christmas Fair, 10.30am
- 2 December - WOWSA Wreath Making Workshop (for adults)
- 5 December - WOWSA 'Elf Academy'
- 8 December - Reception Nativity performance, 9.30am
- 8 December - Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
- 9 December - Whiteoak Choir to take part in Christmas Extravaganza at the Winter Gardens, 5.00pm
- 10 December - Reception Nativity performance, 2.15pm
- 15 December - Year 3 to Redgrave Theatre
- 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 Tithe Tigers who were the winning house in last week's house point totals and to Moorend Eagles who were the winning house for Term1! Moorend Eagles will have a non-uniform day on the first Friday back after half term (Friday 6th November) - don't worry, we'll remind you!

Great work everyone!