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"Planting Dreams. Nurturing Hearts. Growing Minds."

Friday 9th February, 2024

Dear Parents, Carers, Family and Friends of the Whiteoak Academies,

This term we have been exploring British Values with the children. This has culminated in our British Values Week. As part of this week, our children have explored a number of different stories chosen to help them celebrate diversity and embrace individuality and difference as well as cherishing what unites us and brings us together as a family of schools and a community. We have also considered what it is to feel safe and welcome in our school family and the importance of following the rules and treating everyone with respect and kindness.

Through our schools' vision, values and curriculum, we aim to bring to life British Values for our children and we seek to ensure that through our daily interactions' children are nurtured to understand British Values and how they link to our core values. Here are some examples of the stories shared with our children:



Wishing you all a wonderful half term.

Mr Duncan Cook
Executive Headteacher

A Flavour of Term 3

January can be a challenging and long month for many but it has been wonderful to once again see the variety, breadth and depth of learning here at the Whiteoak Academies. Please enjoy the photographs below that help to show the wonderful work of our children and staff. From hatching chicks to art and the try gymnastics festival, it is a privilege to see our curriculum vision and aims brought to life. Once again may I say a big thank you to those of you that have supported our Curriculum Enrichment fund as this really does help to enhance the work we are able to do across our family of schools.

Speech & Language Resource Base

This week, the Department for Education granted permission for the development of the Speech & Language Resource Base on our school site. The Resource Base will support North Somerset's Local SEND offer and be a purpose-built provision on the front playground of the Grove side of school.

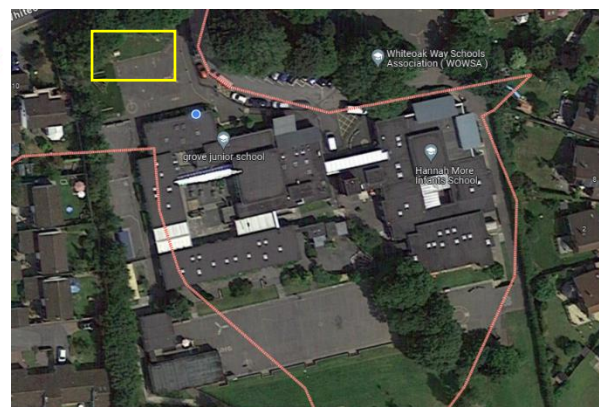
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As a result of this project, the climbing equipment that is currently there will be moved to the Junior playground at the back of school, helping to create an extended play area, with the cabins due to be demolished and removed during this half term.

The new build will be a modular construction and is due to start at Easter. The provision will be for up to 12 children with an Educational, Health & Care Plan whose primary need is Speech & Language. Resource Bases are usually attached to and are part of a mainstream school setting so that those children identified as benefitting from this provision. This facilitates a blended learning program that will allow some access to a mainstream curriculum and classroom as well as the main provision of targeted support within the Resource Base.

All children attending a Resource Base will have an Education Health & Care Plan (EHCP), and access will be managed by the Local Authority as part of the statutory EHCP pathway and school consultation with the mainstream school. Where a school responds positively to a consultation and a placement is agreed, the Local Authority will name the mainstream school as the chosen setting for the child.

Similar provision in the South West already exists at Castle Batch Primary School in Weston-super-Mare and Charborough Road Primary School in Bristol.



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- ☺ Chick hatching.
- ☺ Mondrian inspired Art.
- ☺ Visitors to Year 1.
- ☺ Forest School.
- ☺ Year 2 – Tesco Christmas Competition winners!
- ☺ Gymnastics Festival.
- ☺ Virtual Author visits.
- ☺ Science experiments and investigations.
- ☺ Making photo frames.
- ☺ Musical composition.
- ☺ Ordnance survey maps.
- ☺ Miss Evans Juniors Arts assemblies.
- ☺ Cookery Club.



Term 4 – Kindness

Monday 19th February – LSP Trust INSET (Staff Only)
Tuesday 20th Start of Term 4 for children
Friday 23rd February – Y1 Squirrels & Y5 Maple Forest School
Friday 23rd February – Book Fair begins
Monday 26th February – Year 5 to Goblin Coombe
Wednesday 28th February – Headteacher Recruitment
Thursday 29th February – Holy Trinity Assembly (KS1)
w/b 4th March – Book Week in School
Monday 4th March – Year 3 to Goblin Coombe
Monday 4th March – Year 1 & Year 5 First Aid
Monday 4th March – Holy Trinity Assembly (KS2)
Tuesday 5th March – Year 1 & Year 5 First Aid
Wednesday 6th March – World Book Day in School
Thursday 7th March – Y4 North Somerset Dance Festival
Monday 11th March- Year 1 to Goblin Coombe
w/b Monday 11th March – National Science Week
Tuesday 12th March – Parents Evening
Thursday 14th March – Parents Evening
Monday 18th March – Main Governing Body Meeting, 6.30pm
Monday 18th March – Year 4 Bikeability
Tuesday 19th March – Year 4 Bikeability
Wednesday 20th March – French Day
Thursday 21st March – World Poetry Day
Monday 25th March – Y3 Dress Rehearsal (School Performance only)
Tuesday 26th March – Year 3 Production (Evening Performance)
Wednesday 27th March – Year 3 Production (Afternoon Performance)
Thursday 28th March – Last Day of Term 4 for everyone
Thursday 28th Match – WOWSA Break the Rules Day
Friday 29th March – Good Friday – Bank Holiday

Term 5 – Belonging

Monday 15th April – Start of Term 5 for everyone
Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday
Tuesday 7th May – KS1 Sports Week
w/b 13th May – KS2 SATs Week
Monday 20th May – KS2 Sports Week
Friday 24th May – Last Day of Term 5 for everyone

Term 6 – Resilience

Monday 3rd June – INSET Day (Staff Only)
Tuesday 4th June – Start of Term 6 for Children
Tuesday 23rd July – Last Day of Term 6 for everyone.

More dates and times to follow.