



Whytrig Newsletter

Spring Term 2018

Wednesday, 14 March
School Games Netball

Monday, 12 March
Target Setting Appointments

Monday, 12 March
Y6 Football at NCEA

Thursday, 22 March
Y5 Skipping Festival

Friday, 23 March
Sport Relief

Monday, 26 March
Y5 Baltic Visit

Tuesday, 27 March
KS2 Social Media Assembly

Wednesday, 28 March
School Disco 5.30 to 7pm

Thursday, 29 March
Easter Egg Day
End of Spring Term

Monday, 16 April 2018
Training Day

Tuesday, 17 April
Start of Summer Term

Monday, 7 May 2018
May Bank Holiday

14th to 17th May 2018
END OF KS2 TESTS (SATs)

28 May to 1 June 2018
Summer Half Term Holiday

2nd to 6th July
KS3 French Trip

9th to 13th July
Year 4 and 8 Intake Week

Friday, 20 July
End of Summer Term

Latest News @whytrig MS

Bikeability Course – Year 5

Last week we welcomed Cycle Experience into our School to provide the Bikeability Level 2 Course to 25 of our Year 5 pupils. We have since received notification that all 25 of our pupils passed the course, which is brilliant. Cycle Experience have also said that, as always, they very much enjoyed their time spent in our school with the pupils and thanked them for 'their superb energy and enthusiasm throughout the course.' They think they all really benefitted from the course and hope that our children can go on to put what they have learned into practice and also wanted us to pass on thanks to all of our parents who gave permission for their children to take part in the course. Finally thanks must also go to the staff who ensured the week was a success, especially Mrs McClellan who organised it.

Subject Target Sheets

Last week we sent home progress sheets showing the current teacher assessments for Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science for each child. The sheets also displayed end of year targets for the subjects, in order to compare against current assessments as well as curricular targets, current attendance data and an Attitude To Learning score for each subject on the sheet. Please ensure that your child has given you the sheet. For parents who wish to further discuss the targets with their child's form teacher, an appointment can be made on Monday 19th March by selecting a preferred time slot and then returning the target sheet tear off to the form teacher.

Fundraiser #1



We would like to say a massive good luck to one of our fantastic Year 8 pupils, Georgia Ralph, who has decided to have a sponsored haircut to support The Little Princess Trust. The charity raises money to provide real hair wigs free of charge to children and young adults up to the age of 24 who have sadly lost their own hair due to cancer treatment and other illnesses. In Georgia's case the hair that she has cut off on Saturday 5th May will be used to form the wig for a child as well. We think this is really commendable, sacrificing her lovely long hair for this great cause. Georgia has told us that she took inspiration from Skye's story, which is something that has impacted on us all. If you would like to sponsor her, or just donate to the charity, there will be a collection box and form in our School reception area. Well done Georgia!

Fundraiser #2

We are collecting any spare 5p coins in form classes for the RNLI. The target is for every class to try to fill a small jar across the school to support the work the RNLI does around our coastline. Any spare coins would be greatly appreciated.

Drumming Assembly

On Monday 12th March we welcomed Tom from The Yamaha Music School into our assembly as he introduced our children to the possibility of drumming lessons outside of school. The children all participated to the beat of We Will Rock You and Uptown Funk and the session was excellent. The children have all taken home a letter from The Yamaha Music School and they can claim a free lesson with them if they return their tear off slips to school. Find out more at www.yamahatyneside.co.uk.

Parking Enforcement

We would kindly like to remind parents that they should not park outside the school gates or on the yellow zig zag lines outside of our school, even when dropping off. The road can be quite congested on a morning and evening, when the children arrive and leave Whytrig, compounded by the fact that there is a bus stop opposite our gates. We therefore encourage all children who arrive by car to park and stride, where cars are parked safely away from the school entrance and the children walk the last part of the journey.

Stars Of The Week

Well done to the following pupils on being Stars of the Week.
Week ending 23rd February:

5L: Maggie Mackay 5M: Grace Adams
6E: Mia Foster 6L: Rianna Hill
7C: Jai Small 7L: Owen Thompson
8Ro: Peter Malley 8Ru: Thomas Park

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Thursday, 15 March 2018

Stars Of The Week

Well done to the following pupils on being Stars of the Week.
Week ending 9th March:

5L: Sebastian Rutter-Close 5M: Kate Vural
6E: Ben Morgan-Hope 6L: Connor Thompson
7C: Josh Cowley 7L: Zyron Douds
8Ro: Jaime Mathwin 8Ru: Lauren Ferguson

Gold Pupils

Well done to Alice Brown, Jessica Bradford, Louis Beattie, Connor Thompson, Dominic Dickinson, Harrison Ashburn, Sebastian Rutter-Close, Lucy Brown, Ashton Keir, Jake Fulthorpe, Harry Robson, Kai Wilkinson-Conley, Kaci Pearson, Leah Campbell, Rianna Hill, Miah Wilkie, Thomas Park, Osion Duff, Madie Thornton, Reegan Brotherick, Billy Christie, Josh Anderson, Andie Turnbull, Poppy Ryan, Chloe Bell, Charlotte Scott, Jamie Opstad-Spewart, Gracie Dalgarno-Todd, Joshua Duff, Alfie Charlton, Evie-May Lancaster, Liam Armstrong, Owen Ord, Michael Spratt, Laurence Edwards, George Queenan, Lexie French, Josh Ford, Cameron Hutchinson, Liam French, Daniel Hurlbutt, Aaliyah Wright, Tamzin Hill, Luis Henderson, Toni Strang, Charlie McIntyre, Darcy Humble, Lauren Ferguson, Lily Robson, Katie Hall, Alyx Charlton, Ryan McKee, India Prendergast, Abbey Lane, Chloe Rose and Daniel Parsons for reaching the 25 merit mark this term.

Excellent Pupils

Well done to Aimee Coatsworth, Leah Henderson, Rianna Hill, Alice Brown, Luke Stewart, Sebastian Rutter-Close and Ashton Keir for reaching the 50 merit mark this term.

School Disco

We are holding an Easter Disco on Wednesday 28th March between 5:30 and 7:00pm in our main hall. Tickets are priced at £2, which includes entry, a hotdog and some juice. There will also be a tuck shop open on the evening if children want to purchase sweets or refreshments.

Sport Relief 2018



We will be marking Sport Relief on Friday 23rd March in a number of ways. We are asking all children to attend school in sportswear on the day and to donate £1 to Sports Relief. We will then complete a SportReliefMile on Friday, which will be a mile of our yard which can either be walked or ran. Children can get sponsored for the event if they wish, on the official sponsorship form, however it should only be from family members or friends. We do not want children canvassing for sponsorships from strangers. Any donations towards Sport Relief will also be gladly received. Mr Robinson is also planning a non-stop table tennis event (participants will be notified by Mrs Robinson) which will run

through the course of next Friday. It might be that those taking part may opt to be sponsored for this instead of the run. Finally, this year Sport Relief has set the target for the nation to beat a billion steps a day, every day from 17th to 23rd March. If you want to contribute towards this total you can get more details and download the app at <https://www.sportrelief.com/>. Hopefully our school will contribute plenty of steps next week too, especially on Friday!

School Library

The library will now be operating on school opening and closing times. The library will be open between 8:30am and 4:30pm from Monday to Thursday and between 8:30am and 4:00pm on a Friday.