

Whitwell Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to give you important information as we move towards the end of this academic year.

CLASSES

The class structure is changing slightly due to pupil numbers in Key Stage 1. The new classes will be:

Early Years Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1

FS1 – Nursery – Mrs Draycott and Mrs Beardsley/ Mrs Williams and Mrs Pressley

FS2 – Reception – Miss Sleight, Mrs Harper and Mrs Hardwick

Y1/2 – Miss Morris and Mrs Banks

Y1/2 – Miss Brown and Mrs Basford

Y1/2 – Miss White

Key Stage 2

Y3 – Miss Binge and Mrs Boldero-Gray

Y4 – Mrs Anderson and Mrs Lindley

Y5 – Mr Stirling and Mrs Croser/Mrs Manley

Y5 – Mrs Plaister, Mrs Bowley and Mrs Banks

Y6 – Mr Moore, Mrs Pegg and Miss Mather

TRANSITION

Our transition days in school are Wednesday 16th, Thursday 17th and Friday 18th July. **You will receive a text on Monday 14th to tell you which class your child will be in.** As always, the staff have worked hard to organise the children into their new classes, ensuring there is a mixture of abilities, boys and girls and personalities. It is not always possible to put children with all of their friends but we work hard to ensure each child is with one of their friends. Due to numbers, stability, and the make-up of the classes, some children will be remaining with the same class teacher as this year or may have a teacher they have had previously.

Transition Days give your child an opportunity to spend some time in their new classes, to get to know each other and to help staff to answer any questions that the children may have. The children come to school as normal on Wednesday morning and are registered in their current class. They will be 'moved up' after assembly each day. The children need to be collected from their normal classrooms at the usual home



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time. Staff will be available, so please introduce yourself to the new class teacher on the Thursday evening if you would like to do so.

The majority of Y6 children will be out on transition to Heritage High School on these days. The rest of Y6 should attend school as normal. The Y6 children attending Heritage should meet at the end of Southfield Lane to catch the bus at 8.40am. Heritage will have a member of staff on the bus. Please be there around 8.30am as the bus will not wait. On the return journey, children will get off the bus and will then go straight home. They will not return to us at school as we have the other children in their new classrooms.

SUMMER EVENTS

On Tuesday 22nd July we are holding our 'Book and Blanket' event, and it would be lovely to see many of you in school that afternoon to read with your child and to enjoy time together. A letter will be sent separately about this.

On Wednesday 23rd July the children who wish to, will be able to spend some of their Wellians on our annual waterfight. If your child wishes to do this, they must bring swimwear and a towel to have with them on that day.

The **last day** of this term is Thursday 24th July, when school will close for the summer holidays.

Whitwell Parish Council will be running the Summer Holiday Club from 28th July – 15th August. Please use this link for more information or to book. Please note that this is not run by the school.

<https://whitwell-pc.gov.uk/summer-holiday-club/>

There are many other events being hosted around Whitwell by Bolsover District Council



[25-2019 Summer Holiday Programme poster - Barlborough Village Hall v2 accessible.jpg](#)

[25-2019 Summer Holiday Programme poster - Bolsover v1 accessible.jpg](#)

[25-2019 Summer Holiday Programme poster - Brockley Primary School v1 accessible.jpg](#)

[25-2019 Summer Holiday Programme poster - Creswell Heritage and Wellbeing Centre v2 accessible.jpg](#)

Here is a link to the Family First Newsletter if you are interested.

<https://familyfirst.co.uk/issue3-25>

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THE SCHOOL DAY

All schools are expected to be open for 32.5 hours per week. Nursery places are offered at 15 hours or 30 hours per week. School re-opens for staff on Thursday 4th September and for children on **Monday 8th September 2025**.

Nursery - September 2025	FS2 & KS1 - September 2025	KS2 - September 2025
Mornings: 8:40-11:40am	Start 8:40 - 8:45	Start 8:40 - 8:45
Afternoons: 12:20-3:20pm	Register 8:45	Register 8:50
Fulltime: 8:40am – 2:40pm	End 3:15	End 3:20
You may top-up to 3:20pm for an additional fee but the children must be collected at the arranged time	Total 32 hrs 30 min per week	Total 32 hrs 30 min per week

Breakfast Club will remain open from 7:45am at a cost of £3.50 before 8.00am and £3 after 8.00am. For Free School Meals children the cost is £3 before 8.00am and £2.50 after 8.00am.

We are thrilled that we can continue with the school crossing patrol on Station Road thanks to the sponsorship from L'Hoist, Whitwell. We know that this is a fast road and so value the support from the local community.

If you would like to discuss this or any other school matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

S Tomlinson

Mrs Sarah Tomlinson
Headteacher



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