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SPRING CHICKS ARE HERE!

Reception are learning about life cycles and growing through real life experiences. Whilst we await our tadpoles to grow into frogs, our incubated eggs are hatching into chicks as we write! The children are loving the experience of these spring animals in the classroom!





SPRING FLOWERS

ARE UP! Planted by our school gardeners during gardening lessons on Monday afternoons, the flowers look sensational and have really brightened up the school! Well done to Mrs Fox and Mrs Booth for leading these sessions!



WELCOME BACK! We hope you all had an enjoyable break.

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS - The photographer will be coming into school on Wednesday 25th April to take the 2018 class photographs and the Year 6 leavers' photographs. Children should wear smart school uniform and black school shoes.

YEAR 5 FORMULA 1 CHALLENGE – Once again Year 5 are preparing for the Formula One Championships, where schools must construct, present and race a high powered model car, developing our children's enjoyment of education and STEM skills. Many, many thanks to the companies who have again so generously sponsored the team, it is very much appreciated! Thank you also to parents and carers who have provided equipment and clothing for the event, but please be aware this is not an insistence, and that we are only encouraging the children to request funding from companies, not individuals. Parents of Year 5 children are invited to attend a **F1 curriculum share** on Monday 23rd April between 3 and 3.30pm.

Well done to Beth in Year 5 for making this fantastic garage for her team's car at home!





COMPETITION -

We have been lucky enough to purchase a Feathers McGraw sculpture, the criminal mastermind penguin, from the Gromit Unleashed Schools Programme. The sculpture is 100cms tall and stands next to our Shaun the Sheep in the foyer. We would like children to send in designs so that we can paint our penguin, let your imagination flow! Please send them in to the office with your child's name on the back. All of the penguins will be on display in Bristol in the summer holidays.



CROSSING PATROL – There will be no crossing patrol on Monday 23rd April.

TWITTER - Remember to follow us on Twitter! By Monday morning we'd already tweeted our competition entries, images of the chicks, Formula One racing and a 'condemned, rat infested' classroom, all by lunchtime! What a great first day back it was!

BOXES - In response to parent requests to be even more informed about what their child is enjoying in school, this week we sent home our 'boxes' sheet to all children. These boxes make a welcome return from two years ago, and can be placed in your house as a guide to what your child is learning at Whitchurch Primary School. Also remember to visit the curriculum tab on our website, follow our text messages, follow us on Twitter and of course read the newsletter, as you are now! (Year 1 boxes will be sent home next week).

SANDWICH SALE – Year 3 will be selling sandwiches at break on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week as part of their business project for 50p each.

BINGO – The PTA's bingo night will be held on Thursday 3^{rd} May from 6.30 - 8pm in the school hall. Tickets are £3 for adults and £1 for children which includes a book and snacks. BYO drinks, soft drinks on sale. Tickets will be on sale from next Monday after school by the PTA.

THIS WEEKS' ATTENDANCE RESULTS!

Reception: 93.3%

Year 1: 87.2% Year 2: 93.2% Year 3: 98.8% Year 6: 96.5%

THE WINNERS THIS WEEK ARE YEAR 3!

Year 3 will receive 10 minutes extra play time!

THE HOUSE WITH THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK IS PINE WITH 98%

PRAISE AND SHOWCASE!

Each week the school rewards children from each class with special certificates!

One will be awarded for excellent behaviour, the other for superb work, which will go into a 'showcase' book for visitors to view in the school office. Photos can be viewed on the website shortly!

This week's children are:

RECEPTION: Darcey has been praised – Tyler and Maisie have received the showcase award

YEAR 1: Ruby has been praised – Delilah has received the showcase award

YEAR 2: Toby has been praised – Layton has received the showcase award

YEAR 3: Ollie has been praised – Ryan has received the showcase award

YEAR 4: Evie has been praised – Libby has received the showcase award

YEAR 5: Beth and Charley have been praised – Luke, Annabelle, Maisie and William have received the showcase award

YEAR 6: Maddison has been praised - Aston has received the showcase award

STAFF – Mrs Rich for her work and enthusiasm on the F1 project.