

Welcome Back

Welcome to the Summer Term. We hope you all had a wonderful Easter holiday and have enjoyed the chance to socialise more with family and friends. The summer term is always one of reflection as well as planning ahead, and as always, we are looking for ways of improving and adapting our provision. We have lots of exciting opportunities planned this term and we know you will all join us in keeping our fingers crossed for the warm weather.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.



Pets

Curriculum Areas

Through our termly cross-curricular themes, we aim to make links in all areas of learning to make sure there is cohesion across the whole curriculum. The aim is to make the children's learning vivid, real, engaging and memorable. We strive to embed social, emotional and independent life skills holistically across all areas of curriculum.

English

Through our adapted Read, Write Inc Phonics Programme, we will revisit and develop our reading and writing skills. In our extended writing programme, we will listen and respond to stories about pets. There will be direct emphasis on developing word and sentence level work.

Maths

The principal focus of mathematics teaching and learning will be to ensure that pupils develop confidence and mental fluency with whole numbers, counting and place value. In addition, the children will focus on developing skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division using number stories and manipulatives.

PSHCE and Life Skills

In PSHCE, pupils will learn about sharing, turn taking and how to find their belongings.

RE

In line with The Milton Keynes Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education, we will learn about our special places. We will explore special festivals and national events.

Humanities

In History, pupils will explore past events through talking about her own experiences. In Geography, the pupils will learn about the natural world around us.

Science

Through enquiry and investigation, the pupils will explore cause and effect using sound, magnets and shadows.

Computing

The pupils will develop awareness in recording sounds and taking pictures.

ART and DT

The pupils will explore different media and create sculptures and junk modelling around the theme of pets.

Cooking and Nutrition

The children will develop their knowledge and skills in identifying healthy foods and explore simple dishes.

Performing Arts

In Performing Arts, the pupils will compose songs and play percussion instruments relating to our pets theme.

PE

The pupils will continue to take part in a variety of individual and team sports activities with a focus on fine and gross motor skills.

Free School Meals Online Application



If you think your child may be entitled for free school meals, you can register and find out if your child is eligible by visiting a quick and easy system: <https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/sims/>

Our school menu and order form can be downloaded from the website:

https://www.whitespireschool.org.uk/sites/default/files/pdf/Lunch_Order_Form.pdf

Uniform

Please ensure your child wears correct school uniform, and each item is labelled with your child's name.



Attendance

We believe regular school attendance is essential to achievement. Please help us by ensuring your child attends school every day.

Upcoming Events

Friday- 15th May -Class trip
Wednesday 17th June -Parents Evening
Thursday 2nd July -Sports Day
Tuesday 7th July -Transition Day

Term Dates

Monday 4th May 2026 - May Bank holiday -School closed
Friday 22nd May 2026 - Summer half term
Tuesday 1st June - School reopens
Friday 17th July 2026 - School closes for Summer

Break and Lunchtime clubs

- Library
- Sports
- Music



Breakfast Club is open daily from 8am to 8.30am. After School Club offers a variety of activities. **Advance booking is required, please contact the school office or your child's teacher.**

Equipment



Please note children will not need to bring in their own pencil cases or resources. Please help us by not sending in any toys or soothers.

Daily Home School Communication



Please ensure the school diary is sent into school every day and check it for regular updates.