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# WHITEKNIGHTS ARROW



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## WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
12 MAY	13 MAY	14 MAY	15 MAY	16 MAY
Year 6 SATS	Year 6 SATS	Year 6 SATS	Year 6 SATS	Opal Class trip to Lower Earley Library 13:00—15:00
			Year 4 Ufton Court Trip (within school hours)	Year 6 Maya Day
			Year 1 SPLAT 14:00 Start in the School Hall	
			Topaz Class trip to Lower Earley Library 13:00—15:00	
			Year 6 RE Visit (PM)	

### +ONLINE SCHOOL CALENDAR

KEY:

WHOLE SCHOOL

YEAR GROUP SPECIFIC

OTHER

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

OVERALL TOTAL: 96.8%

REC—Crystal	96.7%	Y4—Amethyst	97.1%
REC—Pearl	95.0%	Y4—Jasper	97.9%
Y1—Amber	100%	Y5—Emerald	94.2%
Y1—Jade	97.5%	Y5—Onyx	XX%
Y2—Opal	98.3%	Y5—Sapphire	98.3%
Y2—Topaz	93.3%	Y6—Obsidian	XX%
Y3—Diamond	95.4%	Y6—Ruby	99.2%
Y3—Garnet	92.1%	Y6—Tiger's Eye	98.8%

ATTENDANCE MATTERS!

Every Child | In School | On Time | Every Day



# DATES FOR THE DIARY

## Summer 1 Term 2025

Monday, 19th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last Session for Sport4kids Outdoor Adventure (R-Y2)</li> <li>Cut off Date for Ordering a School Packed Lunch for Sports Day on Arbor</li> </ul>
Tuesday, 20th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 5 STEAMFest at Leighton Park School 09:15—11:15</li> <li>Last Session Sports4kids Football (R-Y2)</li> </ul>
Wednesday, 21st May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last Session Sports4kids Basketball (Y3-Y6)</li> <li>Last Session Tag Rugby (Y1-Y2)</li> <li>Final Tag Rugby Session (Y1-Y2)</li> </ul>
Thursday, 22nd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final Swimming Lesson for year 3 Diamond Class</li> <li>Reception REInspired Visit</li> <li>Last Sports4kids Football Session (Y3-Y6)</li> </ul>
Friday, 23rd May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sports Day</li> <li>Last Sports4kids Multi Skills session (R-Y2)</li> <li>Last Day of Term. Finish 15:20.</li> <li>Extended Care After School Club running as Usual</li> <li>Last Tag Rugby Session (Y3-Y4)</li> </ul>
26th-30th May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Half Term—Return Monday 2nd June</li> </ul>

### TRAIN TO BECOME A TEACHER AT OUR SCHOOL

Do you want to make a difference to children's lives? Our School Centred Initial Teacher Training (SCITT) programme is the perfect opportunity to do so: you'll be based in the classroom, gaining your qualification at the same time.

#### Benefits

- Post-graduate qualification awarded by Sheffield Hallam University
- Career progression opportunities
- Hands-on experience from day 1
- Mentorship and support
- Minimum starting salary of £31,650
- A 23.6% contribution towards your pension

#### How to apply

- Scan the QR code to learn more
- Apply on the Department for Education's website: search for 'Bellevue Place SCITT'



- ABSENCES CAN NOW BE LOGGED VIA THE ARBOR APP:** If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, you are now able to log same-day absences using the Arbor app.

To record an absence, click on the **Quick Actions** button (≡) at the bottom left hand corner in your app, and then click **Attendance**. From there, click the green **Log Absence** button.

Please ensure you provide a reason for the absence, including any symptoms your child is experiencing. Once the absence is logged in Arbor, school will approve or reject the absence. Approved absences will appear in the Attendance tab of your Arbor App. School will follow up all absences that are rejected.

For further information, please click on the link below:  
[How to report an absence in Arbor](#)

- SCHOOL LUNCHES:** The office is noticing an increase of parents coming in to the office to order same day lunches, please remember that school lunches **MUST** be ordered by midnight the day before.

Did you know that you can order up to 50 days in advance?

# WHOLE-SCHOOL NOTICES

## PARENTING ANXIOUS CHILDREN

Whiteknights is delighted present an informative and practical workshop designed specifically for parents of children dealing with anxiety. With only 20 spaces available on a first-come, first-served basis, seize the opportunity to equip yourself with valuable insights and strategies. For further details, please reach out to our Home-School Link Worker, Ms. Collard

16 MAY | 1:45 TO 3.15<sup>PM</sup>  
**OBSDIAN CLASS**



SCAN THE QR  
 TO SECURE  
 YOUR PLACE



- HAYFEVER MEDICATION:** As the weather is becoming warmer, hayfever symptoms are expected to worsen over the next few weeks. If your child suffers with hayfever, and requires medication, then please supply this to the school office along with the completed 'Consent to Administer Medication Form'. The one-a-day tablets taken first thing in the morning are particularly useful in a school day scenario!

We thank you in advance for your understanding that the medication we hold in school is for **EMERGENCY** use only.

### [CONSENT TO ADMINISTER MEDICATION FORM](#)

Just as a reminder, here are the other medications we hold in school for **emergency situations only**:

Calpol Infant 2+ month  
 Calpol SixPlus 6+ years  
 Nurofen for Children 3 months—12 years  
 Piriton 1+ years  
 Nivea Kids Sensitive 50+ Sun Cream.

Please also refer to our Administering Medication Policy (page 7)

### [Administration of Medicines](#)



MEDICINE





# What's on the menu?

Monday 12th May—Friday 16th May 2025

Next  
Week

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
	Macaroni Cheese with Garlic & Herb Bread Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges Jacket Potato with Baked Beans & Cheese Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Chicken & Sweetcorn Pie with New Potatoes Chickpea & Vegetable Korma with Rice Vanilla Cake & Custard	Chicken Sausages with Roast Potatoes & Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding Vegetable Sausages with Roast Potatoes & Gravy & Yorkshire Pudding Jacket Potato with any two of Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise Apple Flapjack & Custard	Beef Keema Curry with Basmati Rice Vegetable Bean Chilli with Soft Taco, Rice & Salsa Jacket Potato with any two of Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise Chocolate Krispy Cake	Battered Fish Fillet with Chips & Tomato Sauce Cornish Style Vegetable Pasty with Chips & Tomato Sauce Jacket Potato with any two of Baked Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayonnaise Lemon Sponge Cake with Custard
<b>WEEK TWO</b> w/c 28 Apr w/c 19 May w/c 16 Jun w/c 7 Jul	Tomato & Basil Pasta Cheese Pinwheel with Potato Wedges Sweetcorn & Green Beans Berry Sponge & Custard	Beef Burger with Potato Wedges Margherita Pizza with Potato Wedges Broccoli & Sweetcorn Oat Cookie & Fresh Fruit Slices	Roast Turkey with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Roast Potatoes & Gravy Quorn Roast with Sage & Onion Stuffing & Roast Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans & Carrots Ice Cream with Fruit Slices	Beef Lasagne with Garlic Bread Lentil & Vegetable Lasagne with Garlic Bread Carrots & Sweetcorn Chocolate Mousse	Battered Fish Fillet with Tomato Sauce & Chips Cheese & Tomato Quiche with Tomato Sauce & Chips Peas & Green Beans Marble Cake & Custard
<b>WEEK THREE</b> w/c 6 May w/c 2 Jun w/c 23 Jun w/c 14 Jul	Margherita Pizza with Steamed New Potatoes Vegetable Pizza with Steamed New Potatoes Carrots & Sweetcorn Apple Crumble & Custard	Chicken Sausage with Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Spring Vegetable Cottage Pie & Gravy Green Beans & Broccoli Jelly with Fresh Fruit Slices	Roast Gammon, Roast New Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Vegetable Loaf with Roast New Potatoes & Yorkshire Pudding Carrots & Peas Chocolate Cake & Custard	Spaghetti Bolognese with Garlic Bread Quorn Bolognese with Garlic Bread Green Beans & Sweetcorn Ice Cream & Fresh Fruit Slices	Breaded Fish Fillet with Tomato Sauce & Chips Quorn Nuggets with Tomato Sauce & Chips Peas & Baked Beans Chocolate & Oranges Sponge with Chocolate Sauce

Available daily: Freshly Baked Bread, Jacket Potato with a Choice of Fillings, Salad Selection, Fresh Fruit, Yoghurt

## KS2 WALKING HOME UNACCOMPANIED

In order to ensure children's safety, only children in Key Stage 2 are allowed to walk home on their own. Children in Key Stage 1 need to be collected by an adult (it is not appropriate for an older sibling in KS2 to walk them home).

This does not mean that all children in KS2 are ready to walk home on their own. Parents need to consider their child's age, maturity and independence, as well as their distance from the school and the safety of the route before making a decision about whether or not it is safe for each child to walk home unaccompanied by an adult.

### HELPFUL TIPS FOR ASSESSING YOUR CHILD'S READINESS

How do you know if your child is ready to walk or ride his/her bike to and from school? By discussing possible scenarios with him/her. Ideally, your child should know the following twelve points listed below from Gavin de Becker's book, Protecting the Gift to help establish their readiness or areas to support them with:

- 1 Does your child know how to honour his feelings? If someone makes him uncomfortable, that's an important signal.
- 2 Are you as the parent strong enough to hear about any experience your child has had, no matter how unpleasant?
- 3 Does your child know it's okay to rebuff and defy adults?
- 4 Does your child know it's okay to be assertive?
- 5 Does your child know how to ask for assistance or help?
- 6 Does your child know how to choose who to ask?
- 7 Does your child know how to describe the situation he finds himself in?
- 8 Does your child know it's okay to strike, even to injure, someone if he believes he is in danger, and that you'll support any action he takes as a result of feeling uncomfortable or afraid?
- 9 Does your child know it's okay to make noise, to scream, to yell, to run?
- 10 Does your child know that if someone ever tries to force him to go somewhere, what he screams should include, "This is not my father/mother"? Onlookers seeing a child scream or even struggle are likely to assume the adult is a parent.
- 11 Does your child know that if someone says, "Don't yell," the thing to do is yell? The corollary is if someone says, "Don't tell," the thing to do is tell.
- 12 Does your child know to fully resist ever going anywhere out of public view with someone he doesn't know, and particularly to resist going anywhere with someone who tries to persuade him?

The 'Leaving the Classroom Permissions' you may have consented to on Arbor, ONLY apply to the normal end of the school day at 15:20.

We require parents/carers to pick up children from any extra curricular activities finishing after normal school hours.

# GROUP-SPECIFIC NOTICES

## NURSERY : Notices and Reminders

- [NURSERY TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [NURSERY TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)

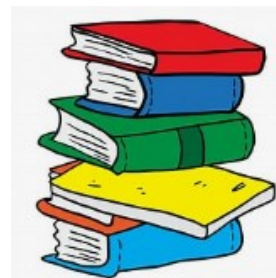
## RECEPTION : Notices and Reminders

- [RECEPTION TERMLY LETTER](#)
  - [RECEPTION TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- [KNOWLEDGE ORGANISER](#)

This week         Pearl         class will be attending the school library.

Monday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Blue house (Bedevere)	Yellow house (Galahad)	Red house (Lancelot)	Green house (Melion)

Please can your child bring their library book back to school on the day their house is due to visit the library. Then, they can return their book and take out a new one.




## YEAR 1 and YEAR 2 : Notices and Reminders

- [YEAR 1 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 1 TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- [YEAR 2 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 2 OVERVIEW](#)

## YEAR 3 and YEAR 4 : Notices and

- [YEAR 3 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 3 TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- [YEAR 4 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 4 TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- **YEAR 3 DT PROJECT:** Can we request that all children bring in a large Pringles tube (or suchlike) and some newspaper for their DT project after Half Term.
- **YEAR 4 UFTON COURT:** We require parent volunteers to accompany us on this trip. Please email [admin@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whiteknights.wokingham.sch.uk) if you are able to help. Thank you!

## YEAR 5 and YEAR 6 : Notices and Reminders


- [YEAR 5 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 5 TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- [YEAR 6 TERMLY LETTER](#)
- [YEAR 6 TERMLY OVERVIEW](#)
- **YEAR 6 HOODIES:**  
  
SCOPAY is now open to place your Year 6 Hoodie orders. Prices and sizes:  
  
Large Youth £15.00  
Small Adult £15.00  
Medium Adult £15.00  
T-Shirt—£7.00
- **YEAR 6 SATS BREAKFASTS:** Year 6 pupils are invited to attend the free SATS Breakfast Club running from **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May through to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2025** which will be run by the year 6 team. Children need to be in school at 8:00am to start breakfast soon after.  
  
Please note that if your child is already booked to attend Breakfast Club from 07:40 the normal charge will still apply. Your child will be given the option to transfer to the SATS Breakfast Club at 8.00am each morning.  
  
A variety of cereals, brioche buns and fruit will be provided by the school. Children should bring a plastic cup, plastic bowl and plastic spoon to use for the week. It is entirely optional, but we do encourage it - makes for a lovely calm start to the day and fuels them up!
- **YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY:** Please see [LETTER](#) emailed out on Wednesday. Register by 20th May 2025 to secure you place!


# CELEBRATING WHITEKNIGHTS

Shining a spotlight on school life and pupil achievement

## COMPOSER OF THE WEEK

Week 3





**Composition Title:**   
Morning Mood *from Peer Gynt*

**Date:** 1875

**Composer:** Edvard Grieg

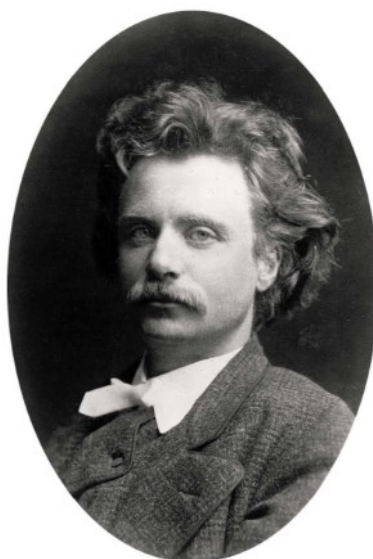

**Musical Elements:**  
Pentatonic scale (5 notes)  
E major – happy  
Legato – smooth  
originally composed for just 2 instruments- flute and oboe

**Where in the World?**   
Norway 

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
In the same year, 1875, Tchaikovsky was composing Swan Lake in Russia. In the UK, the 30 year construction of the London sewer system was completed.

**Era:** Romantic

**History of Music Timeline:**



A new composer, Edvard Grieg, has been introduced this week through one of his most famous pieces 'Morning Mood'. This piece was composed in 1875 at the same time that Tchaikovsky was composing the ballet Swan Lake.



## PSHE CONNECT

This half term we are working on:  
'Challenging yourself'

*"Challenge yourself to do more than what is required"*



## LEARNER SHOWCASE : SCHOOL LIFE , NEWS AND LEARNING ACHIEVEMENTS

Discover the latest school news, including classroom highlights, sporting events, school trips and more, click on the links below:-

- [BLAST OFF INTO LEARNING: YEAR 1'S SPACE DAY ADVENTURE](#)

## USEFUL LINKS

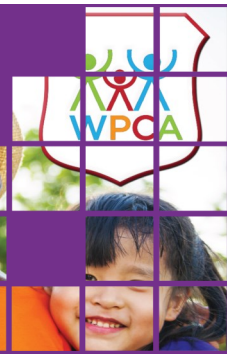
SCHOOL FORMS

SCHOOL MEALS

TERM DATES



# WHITEKNIGHTS PARENT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NOTICE BOARD



A young child in a blue denim shirt is shouting into a red and white megaphone, with one arm raised in excitement. The background is a light pink with a pattern of colorful polka dots in shades of purple, green, orange, and blue.

## SUMMER FAIR TOKENS NOW ON SALE!



A square QR code that, when scanned, likely leads to the token pre-order page.

### Tokens and Tickets

Tokens will be available to pre-order via PTA Events (available via the [LINK /QR code](#)). This year, we won't be giving every child a book of tokens due to rising costs. However, **we will have free activities available for all children to enjoy.**

Please pre-order your tokens in advance to avoid long queues on the day. Tokens can be used at all WPCA-run stalls, including: games; food stalls; second-hand uniform; books; canteen treats

### Raffle Tickets

Raffle tickets will be sent home on **Friday 9th May**. There's a competition to see which class can sell the most – good luck! Please return all sold and unsold tickets, along with any money, to the school office by **Wednesday 21st May**.

We have lots of exciting prizes up for grabs – I'll be sharing a list of participating businesses soon!

### General

#### Volunteers Needed

To help the day run smoothly, we are looking for volunteers. If you can spare half an hour or more to help run a stall, set up, or pack down, your support would be hugely appreciated. Please speak to a member of the WPCA or contact the school office to offer your help.

#### External Vendors

There will also be external stalls and food vendors accepting card or cash payments.

## Spotlight on the WPCA Uniformd shop

<https://app.uniformd.co.uk/items/whiteknights-primary-school>



With World Earth Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, it's a fitting time to showcase the WPCA Uniformd shop.

The WPCA Uniformd shop opened in April 2021. It is an easy, sustainable way to buy good quality second-hand uniform at an affordable price, saving clothing from landfill and raising funds for the WPCA in the process.



The online platform is simple to use and once ordered, items will be delivered to your child's classroom via the school office within a couple of days.

We will also be selling uniform at Sports Day on 23<sup>rd</sup> May so come and find us at the WPCA stall.

There are currently over 370 items in stock, including logo jumpers and cardigans, skirts, trousers, shorts, dresses and PE kit in a range of sizes. We also have some T-shirts in house colours for Sports Day.

**Since April 2021, the WPCA Uniformd shop has fulfilled over 420 orders, raising over £2310 for WPCA and saving over 1000 items of uniform from landfill!**

We are always on the lookout for donations of *good quality* uniform, particularly logo items. Please leave any donations with the school office.

Don't forget that any non-uniform donations can be put in the WPCA clothing bank behind the school hall.

**Place your next WPCA Uniformd order here:**



Any queries contact: [whiteknightspca@gmail.com](mailto:whiteknightspca@gmail.com)



### Spring cleaning?

Clear out space in the children's closets and donate any no longer needed school clothes to our Uniformd store!

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[uniformd.co.uk](https://uniformd.co.uk)