

Newsletter



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Welcome to Whitehall Nursery and Infant School newsletter!!



I want to personally say a huge **THANK YOU** to the staff, parents and carers of our school. You are all truly amazing and yet again have made us proud!!

For **Pyjamarama day** you **raised £158!!** This is a **FANTASTIC** amount of money raised for a worthy cause. The **food bank donations** have been very generous too!! We will continue to work alongside **Little Hooligans** by collecting food bank items. If any of our families are struggling financially and are in need of food parcels themselves please speak to me. I will do be best to give advice and guidance of organisations that may be able to support you.

Have a lovely half term everyone!!

Mrs Ware: Parent Support Advisor

Top tips to reduce energy around the home



Energy bills are soaring and I have tried to find some helpful websites that give you ideas of how to reduce your energy bills. We've all heard of replacing bulbs with energy-saving LEDs or not overfilling your kettle – but here are some surprising energy tips you may not have heard of and some suggestions for how to get the children involved too!!

<https://www.which.co.uk/reviews/cutting-your-energy-bills/article/how-to-save-on-your-energy-bill/10-ways-to-save-on-energy-bills-aX2RS8b8lIMR>

<https://www.moneysupermarket.com/gas-and-electricity/energy-saving-tips/>

<https://caztec.co.uk/how-to-save-electricity-at-home/#saveelectricityinsummer>

<https://www.which.co.uk/news/article/9-surprising-ways-to-reduce-energy-use-around-the-home->

Taster Session for ESOL: Walsall College

A big **THANK YOU** to the parents who attended the **Supporting your child's English and Maths** course. The feedback was very positive from parents and we are hopeful to offer similar courses in the future.

Walsall College will be running 3 taster sessions for **ESOL** here in the school FLAC building during the next term. More details will follow and will be sent home with your child. To register your interest please speak to Mrs Ware on the school gate. If this is a successful course we will look at offering more sessions after the summer holidays.



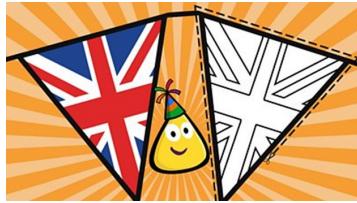
Platinum Jubilee celebrations Pleck Library



Walsall college are hosting a *free after school activity session on



25th May for families to celebrate the Jubilee. It will be held at the Pleck Library campus and people can join them any time between 3pm – 5pm. There will be light refreshments available on the day and activities include making Jubilee bunting and



biscuit decorating, looking back over royal events, creating timelines to compare your own family events and exploring ideas on how to create your own Jubilee celebrations.

**free if your household income is below £30,000 per year and you live in one of the following areas: Walsall, Wolverhampton, Sandwell, Dudley, Birmingham, Solihull or Coventry.*

The Parents' Guide to Teaching your Teen Online Safety

This link is for teenagers but is useful to know as often the children of our school spend time with older siblings and family members who are on their mobile devices/tablets and Ipads. Often what they are watching is not suitable for their age group.

<https://www.mytutor.co.uk/blog/parents/educational-advice/the-parents-guide-to-teaching-your-teen-online-safety/>

Some of the topics in this guide might interest you, such as:

- A practical guide for parents on how to keep teens safe online, including useful summaries of popular internet apps as well as the types of threats teens could be exposed to online.
- Safety tips for using apps such as Instagram, TikTok (which has gathered 1 billion users in only two years), YouTube, Snapchat, Twitter and WhatsApp. Advice and safety tips for teens playing online multi-player video games.
- Other online safety topics and advice such as sharing personal information, socialising online, cyberbullying, harmful content, influencers, body image and mental health for teens online.
- Links to additional internet safety resources for parents from well-respected sources such as the NSPCC and the UK government's own guidelines

Calendar

The school website is updated regularly by the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and class teachers.

www.whitehall-i.walsall.sch.uk

Here you will find the up to date school calendar, including school holidays and teacher training dates.

Monday 23 May Teacher Training day

SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 30 May to Friday 3 June Half Term Holidays

SCHOOL CLOSED

Monday 6 June Additional day for Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday

SCHOOL CLOSED

Friday 17 June Whole school Platinum Jubilee Party

Children dress up in red, blue and white clothes.

Wednesday 23 June Year 1 Safari Park Trip

Teacher letters will be sent nearer the time with more information.

Date to be confirmed for year 2 trip to Rhyl

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