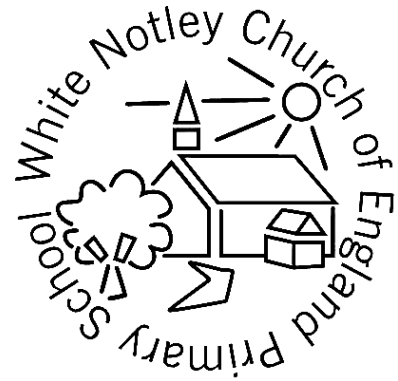


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Our school vision is: LIFE in all its fullness - now and in the future.
John 10.10 Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full".

Dear Parents,

21st October 2022

Thank you all for parent's evenings this week. The teachers always appreciate the conversations we have with you and we hope that you find it beneficial as well. Please remember our door is always open and you can come and see us, or your child's books as often as you wish.

As it comes to the close of the first half term of this academic year, I reflect on the past seven weeks and our vision for the pupils; that they have life in all its fullness, now and in the future.

L is for Learning

This half term we have done an enormous amount of learning, both at school and outside on our trips: Danbury, the farm and Cressing Temple Barns. We are proud that our whole school curriculum days enhance the curriculum whilst building a school community. The children have really enjoyed the Teddy Bear's Picnic and Mad Hatter's Day as well as taking part in our first ever poetry and music recitals. We are focusing on reading for pleasure, increasing stamina as well as developing comprehension skills. Our ten minute writing sessions are improving children's technical writing and stamina skills.

I is for Inclusion

We have a wide range of clubs before, during and after school. We have 150 children who attend clubs every week, which is brilliant. Our learning mentor does a wonderful job supporting children's social and emotional well-being. Mrs Ponder and her dog Kallie go for a walk every Friday at lunchtime, giving children time and space to talk. In classrooms, the Zones of Regulation system enables children to seek support from adults for their social, emotional and mental well-being. Our school is a safe place to be.

F is for Faith

We have had wonderful assemblies this term from Mrs Horsley (from the St Peter and St Paul Church) in Black Notley and Sheena, from Christian Youth Outreach. The

children loved taking part in the 'Church Through the Eyes of The Child' photography competition. Our Harvest Festival was a joyful and uplifting service; with brilliant singing from the children.

E is for Environment

Our play-leaders in year 5 and 6 do a fantastic job every lunch-time; setting up a range of activities and engaging the younger children in meaningful play. Our head boys and girls are developing leadership skills in their roles; such as leading reward assembly. The children have done some super learning in our Global Awareness Assemblies this half term: World Food Day, Autism, European Languages Day, just to name a few! The children take very good care of the environment around school.

PTA

We would like to welcome our new chairperson and secretary on to the PTA. Marisa Franklin is our new chair and Kirstie Denny is the secretary. We would like to thank Emma Watts and Claire Mitchell for all their work, time and effort in their time as chair and secretary over the past few years.

The PTA's Christmas Fayre is on Friday 2nd November. If you have a small business and would like a table at the fayre, please contact the PTA on WNPS@whitenotley.essex.sch.uk

Reminder about the Christmas Hampers:

Please send in your donations (to your child's classroom) for the hamper by the 4th November please.

Class 1 – **Red**

Class 2 – **Green**

Class 3 – **Gold/Yellow**

Class 4 – **White/Silver**

Ideas: Any non-perishable food item in the right-coloured packaging, bubble bath, soap, scented candles or Christmas products.

Thank you!

I want to thank everyone who works at White Notley Primary; they have worked so hard this term and their teamwork is absolutely brilliant. I feel extremely proud to be part of such a wonderful school that really does have every child at the heart of everything it does.

I would also like to thank the children for their start to this year; they have put in a great deal of effort and enthusiasm into all their learning as well as being all-round awesome little people.

Thank you to all of you, the parents, who support with reading and homework, getting your children to school on time and every day... and doing all those administration tasks on time, such as booking school dinners in advance!

Thank you to the governors, who regularly visit the school and do a super job of supporting and challenging the school's leadership.

Thank you to the PTA for tirelessly fundraising for the children. All the money you raise supports the learning of the children through the purchases that you make.

For each child to be the best they can be, it is definitely a team effort.

**Congratulations to the children who received certificates in celebration assembly
this week**



Class One:

George - for communicating well with his friends

Class Two:

Sonny - for wonderful writing and great thinking in maths

Isaac - for super progress in reading and writing

Class Three:

Molly - for showing resilience with her maths, and actually enjoying it too!

Isla L - for being an enthusiastic learner and showing compassion for others

Class Four:

Poppy - for a fantastic improvement in your times tables results - keep it up!

Madison - for your growing enthusiasm for reading - it is lovely seeing you excited to read on

Diary dates for next week:

Monday 31 st October:	Autumn II $\frac{1}{2}$ term starts Football Club
Tuesday 1 st November:	Link governor visit from Miss Hill (English) Board Games Club Book Club
Wednesday 2 nd November:	Netball Club Dance Club
Thursday 3 rd November:	Karate Club Link governor visit from Mrs Hale (MfL) 7pm Finance Governor's meeting
Friday 4 th November:	Tennis Club

I hope you all have a super half term.

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