

# The White House School

# Half Term Newsletter

SUMMER.2- 2024



What a fantastic year it has been! We ended our first full year of being open with a very busy summer term. We have continued to enjoy local, national and international celebration days, such as 'World Ocean Day', 'International Yoga Day' and Pride month. Our Sports Day was an excellent event with pupils thoroughly enjoying the range of inclusive activities available. A highlight for all pupils and staff this year was the incredible RAF Red Arrows fly-by we got to experience from our playground last week. A very special moment for all! On behalf of all the staff at The White House School, we wish you a wonderful summer holiday and look forward to pupils returning on September 9th.

## Gold School Games Mark



We were thrilled to be awarded with the 'Gold Quality Mark' in recognition of our commitment to sporting activities this academic year. We have joined inter-school sports festivals, taken part in National School Sports Week and of course, enjoyed an amazing Sports Day.



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# Pride Month

We celebrated Pride month in June by reading 'Grandad's Camper' and discussing different types of families, before designing our own rainbow emojis

## All Different, All Wonderful

Things to remember:

Everyone should feel like they can be themselves.

Everyone should be allowed to be proud of who they are.

Everyone should feel like they can be themselves.



We welcome these new members of staff to our team.



Miss Shanks  
PBS Lead



Mrs Watkiss  
Explorers TA



Mrs Castleman  
SLT Administrator



Mrs Mann  
Little Stars TA



Miss Samaranayake  
Little Stars TA



Mrs Usal  
Little Stars TA

## School Trips, Charity Events and Celebration Days

As always, we have continued to enjoy lots of fun learning and extra curricular activities this half term.

Our Astronauts class enjoyed a life skills first aid workshop delivered by the British Red Cross. It was a fantastic experience as part of our Safeguarding and Key Skills curriculum.

All pupils learnt about climate change through The Big Green Week and World Ocean Day. We enjoyed some whole school exercise for International Yoga Day and got to show off all the new poses we have been taught this year in class.

We hope you have an amazing summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all next term.

# ENJOY THE SUMMER

## Safeguarding

Mrs Osborn  
Deputy Headteacher  
and DSL

We continue to develop our curriculum, mapping out every opportunity to safeguard our children and teach them how to keep themselves safe.

As we continue to expand our off-site and community work next term, we will be teaching pupils how to keep themselves safe in our local area. I wish you all a safe and happy summer holiday.



### Dates for next half term

- Mon 9th Sept - Pupils return to school
- Fri 13th Sept - Roald Dahl Story Day
- Wed 18th Sept - National Fitness Day
- Thu 19th Sept - Youth Mental Health Day
- 23rd - 27th Sept - GL Assessment Week (for certain pupils)
- Friday 27th Sept - Macmillan Coffee Morning
- Thu 3rd Oct - National Poetry Day
- Thu 10th Oct - World Mental Health Day
- 7th - 11th October - World Space Week
- Fri 18th October - Last Day of Half Term