

# WHITFIELD VALLEY PRIMARY ACADEMY



## JANUARY 2018 NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to your first newsletter of 2018 and a welcome back to all of the children. I trust that you will have had a fantastic break with family and friends and made the most of time to celebrate. In this month's newsletter you'll find plenty of information about things that are happening at the academy over the coming term. This newsletter also contains feedback from the questionnaires that you kindly completed before the Christmas break.

All staff at the academy look forward to working with you again this year to ensure the very best for your children!

Yours sincerely

Mr Adam Clewes  
Head Teacher

### DISNEYLAND ADVENTURE 2018

Please remember, for those coming to Paris in just under two weeks' time – the final meeting is on Monday January 8<sup>th</sup> at 3.30pm in the hall – at least one parent/carer **MUST** attend!



### The Golden Rules that help us to

**'be the best that we can be...'**

**We always tell the truth.**

**We respect everybody by showing kindness and respect.**



**We give everything our all!**

### DATES TO REMEMBER THIS TERM...



**Week Beginning January 15<sup>th</sup> 2018** – All after school clubs begin

**January 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> 2018** – Year 4/5/6 visit to Paris

**February 6<sup>th</sup> 2018** – Safer Internet Day

**February 14<sup>th</sup> 2018** – Assessment profiles home for the spring term

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February** – Last day of term

**Half Term:** *We will be closed on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February and reopen for children on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2018*

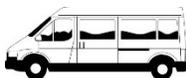
**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> March** – Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30pm

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March** – Parents' Evening 5.00pm-7.00pm

*(We will send a text when appointments can be made at the school office)*

**Week Beginning March 19<sup>th</sup> 2018** – Final week of after school clubs

**Easter Holidays:** *We will be closed on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March and reopen for children on Monday Thursday April 12<sup>th</sup>.*



### PAYMENT REMINDER...

Please remember, if you are paying your £30 contribution to educational visits termly, the next £10 is due no later than next **Thursday (January 11<sup>th</sup>)**. Thank you for supporting us to make these wonderful visits happen!

### DON'T FORGET YOU CAN FIND LOTS OF INFORMATION ONLINE!

[WWW.WHITFIELDV.ORG.UK](http://WWW.WHITFIELDV.ORG.UK) will take you directly to our academy's website where you can always check back on our newsletters, class information (including topics and class newsletters) and lots more information about our school!





## QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK



A huge thank you to everyone who returned a questionnaire to us; in total we had 48 replies, which is 12% of our school. I am pleased to share with you both the overall percentage to each question and some of your comments. There were lots of 'strongly agree' and 'agree' answers given, in particular for how happy your children feel in school. This is excellent and I am pleased that your children are feeling positive about their time here at Whitfield Valley!

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My child is happy at Whitfield Valley Primary Academy	69%	31%		
My child feels safe at Whitfield Valley Primary Academy	73%	27%		
My child makes good progress at Whitfield Valley Primary Academy	71%	29%		
My child is well looked after at Whitfield Valley Primary Academy	73%	27%		
My child is taught well at Whitfield Valley Primary Academy	71%	29%		
My child receives appropriate homework for their age and it is given out weekly	65%	33%	2%	
Whitfield Valley Primary Academy makes sure its children are well behaved	56%	40%	4%	
Whitfield Valley Primary Academy deals with bullying effectively and quickly	52%	43%	4%	
Whitfield Valley Primary Academy is well led and managed	52%	48%		
Whitfield Valley Primary Academy responds well to any concerns I raise	63%	35%	2%	
I receive valuable information from school about my child's progress	63%	37%		
I would recommend Whitfield Valley Primary Academy to another parent	63%	33%	4%	

I have already spoken to some parents/carers who raised individual queries, if I did not catch you before the break, I will try again over the coming week to speak with you.

Some feedback related to the poor weather we experienced and the school being open; I will always endeavor to open, however we do understand that not everyone feels comfortable. Some responses praised the school opening and others asked us to consider routes around the site. This is something I shall look at now we are back (and hopefully not having any more unexpected snow!)

Comments on your feedback also told us that;

'Our child loves coming to school and as a parent it's good to know your child feels safe and supported.'

'The support from his teachers has paid off and I am glad we chose Whitfield Valley.'

'So proud of my girls' progress, they have improved so much.'

**THANK YOU** for your comments; both constructive and complimentary, so we can continue to make the school better and better!