The Whitgreave Circle



We write it the Whitgreave Way!



All written by the gifted writers of Whitgreave Junior School!





In Memory of Tegan Price



To commemorate Tegan, we have an outstanding little garden in school by Fort Albutt. Due to the fact her favourite colour was purple; Mrs Terry has picked out some of Whitgreave's finest purple flowers and planted them in the garden. It's open to any one; and some kind children from Morton High School have engraved her name in the bench by her flowers. Mrs Terry has very kindly planted a cherry blossom tree which will blossom as beautifully as she did. Also some very helpful children from year 5 water all the plants to keep them alive daily. If you ever want to reflect at times with Tegan, come and sit down on her bench, we are sure she'd want you to. So please feel free to visit the garden after school and share your memories of Tegan.





By Kennedy Smith 5B

Meet The Boss

This is Mrs Redfern, our brilliant Head Teacher; but what you don't know is what her favourite colour or food is. This article will tell you all you need to know about Mrs Redfern, the glue that holds the school together.



Early life

Mrs Redfern was born in a nursing home called Rosemary Ednam. As a child Mrs Redfern attended Wednesbury Oak Primary School, Tipton. She grew up with one brother named Scott but doesn't have any sisters.

Present Day

Mrs Redfern is happily married to her husband, Tim and is a proud mother of three children: Shelly, Simone, and Kelsey. She also has a fish called Dean who was named after a character from her favourite TV programme Supernatural.

Interesting Facts

Everyone has a favourite celebrity and Mrs Redfem's is ... Prince (most of you kids including me doesn't know who Prince is; let's just say he was famous in the old days!) Mrs Redfern also enjoys eating Chinese take away.

In conclusion, Mrs Redfern is cool inside and out Miss Guy says, 'She is approachable and always puts the kids first'. I also got Mr. Bell's comment he says, 'Mrs Redfern is a great Head Teacher, and she has moved the school forward since coming to the school.' As you can see, Mrs Redfern is respected by both teachers and pupils throughout the

whole school and we would like to thank her

for all her hard work!

By Tinodashie Musayabana



Meet the Owls ...

Whooooo's whoooooooo?

As you know, Whitgreave have some very talented writers and we would like you oget to know them a little more. So, sit back and find out everything you need to know about our journalists or, as we like to call them, "Owls"...

Kayleigh Foyle

Class-5B

Likes - The Vamps, football and Aston Villa

Dislikes - Manchester United and mushrooms

Favourite lessons - Literacy, PE and History

Olivia-Kate Turner

Class-4A

Likes - The Vamps and

football

Dislikes-Drama

Favourite lesson - Science



Kennedy Smith

Class-5B

Likes - Sushi and pizza

Dislikes - Broccoli

Favourite lessons - PE, Literacy, Art and Maths

Omar Grant

Class-5C

Likes - Football (Arsenal)

Dislikes - Golf

Favourite lesson - Maths



Tinodashie Musabayana

Class-5B

Likes - KFC and reading

Dislikes - Bugs

Favourite lesson - History and Literacy

Megan Rudge

Class-5C

Likes - Horrible Histories

Dislikes-Tomatoes

Favourite lessons-

Maths and History







Meet the Owls...



Alex Bood

Class-5C

Likes - Football (Wolves)

Dislikes - Mushrooms

Favourite lessons - Art and Maths



Fremi Diamy

Class-4A

Likes - Video

games

Dislikes - Science

Favourite lessons -

PE and Maths



Cameron Morton

Class-6B

Likes - Xbox

Dislikes - Eggs

Favourite lesson - ICT



Teacher of 6G

Likes-Cooking

and shopping

Dislikes -

Bad behaviour

Favourite lessons

Maths and Literacy

Joseph Wesley

Class-4C

Likes - Seeing his friends

Dislikes - Needing to do jobs

Favourite lesson - Literacy

MrJones

Teaching assistant

of year 5

Likes-Football

Dislikes-Spiders

Favourite lesson -

Maths and PE



Madison Leader

Class-4C

Likes - Riddles

Dislikes - Bees

Favourite lesson - Science





Fresh Start!

Introducing the newcomers to our school

We have had many new children and staff who have joined our school this new academic Year. This school can be a fresh start for adults and children and we are sure that they will settle in quickly. So let's see who they are ...

Miss Laffan:(Teacher 3L)

- Q) Why did you want to come to Whitgreave Junior School?
- **A)** Because it seems to be full of great children and staff.
- Q) Do you like this school and why?
- A) Yes because there is a nice atmosphere.
- Q) What do you think you can improve in this school to make it better and why?
- A) I can help children achieve their progress.
- Q) Do you think you can make anything better in your class and how?
- A) No it's perfect as it is!
- Q) Is there anything else you would improve?
- A) Another computer suite.

Mrs Russell (year 4 TA)

- Q) Why did you want to come to Whitgreave Junior School?
- A) Because I like children!
- Q) Do you like this school and why?
- A) Yes because it is a positive atmosphere!
- Q) What do you think you can improve in this school to make it better and why?
- A) Help teachers improve children's grades because it's important to the children!
- Q) Do you think you could make anything better in your class and how?
- A) Make it more exciting by helping adults and children learn in different ways.
- Q) Is there anything else you would improve in the school?
- A) Longer days to get the job done!



Fresh Start!

Introducing the newcomers to our school



- Q) Why did you want to come to Whitgreave Junior School?
- A) I heard nothing but good things about the pupils and the school as a whole.
- Q) Do you like this school and why?
- A) Yes because it is a lovely atmosphere!
- Q) What do you want to improve in this school and how?
- A) more computers for the children to work on.
- Q) Could you make anything better in your office and how?
- A) Make the internet faster and get to know more people in the school.
- Q) Is there anything else you want to say?
- A) Yes, when its winter the school needs to be warmer.

Sabina Piotrowska (year 4)

- Q) How do you feel about your new school?
- A) its ok I am enjoying making new friends.
- Q) Do you like this school and why?
- A) Yes because I have made new friends!
- Q) What don't you like about Whitgreave and why?
- A) I wouldn't want to change anything!

Tyler Haycock (year 3)

- Q) How do you feel about your new school?
- A) Good.
 - Q) Do you like this school and why?
- A) Yes because there are a lot of rewards.
- Q) What don't you like about Whitgreave and why?
- A) more computers in the ICT suite.

Nate Samuels (year 3)

- Q) How do you feel about your new school?
- A) it is awesome!
- Q) Do you like this school and why? A)

Yes because all the lessons are fun!

- Q) What don't you like about Whitgreave and why?
- A) Nothing really.



The Whitgreave Oscars!

The Whitgreave Oscars are a prestigious award that are given to someone from each class for excellent behaviour, brilliant attendance and always doing the right thing throughout last half term. Each class teacher has picked a pupil from their class who has been outstanding and deserves to be acknowledged for their consistently good behaviour throughout last half term.

6G

In 6G the Whitgreave Oscar goes to......

Megan Evans for having very impressive maths work and always doing the right thing.

6B

In 6B the Whitgreave Oscar is awarded to......

Millie Howells... because she is helpful and she's Michael Martin for just being a superstar and very polite.

5C

In 5C the Whitgreave Oscar goes

Alex Bood for always being well prepared and getting his diary signed.

5B

In 5B the Whitgreave Oscar goes to

Olivia Marsh for having fantastic maths work, she also is very helpful by taking the register to the office.

By Omar Grant

4A

In 4A the Whitgreave Oscar is awarded to..... Joshua Ballester for always just doing the right. thing.

4C

In 4C the Whitgreave Oscar is awarded

to.....

he always has excellent behaviour.

3L

In 3L the Whitgreave Oscar is presented

to.....

Hayden Aston for always listening and just having great behaviour.

3D

Last but not least in 3D the Whitgreave Oscars goes to..... Leshon Cryans for being a perfect role model.

Crazy Conkers!



Last half term, year 3 was very lucky to go on a trip to Conkers in Staffordshire to help with our topic lessons. Year 3 had a great day at conkers and everyone had lots of fun together. The trip was a great way to make new friends and get to know our teachers even more. Throughout the day we had lots of fun activities that we took part in, including the barefoot walk and the outdoor park.

Once we arrived at conkers, we were all extremely excited to be there and couldn't wait to start exploring. Once we were all off the coaches we were greeted by two members of staff from conkers who were very happy to see us. The first activity that was planned for us was a barefoot walk through the woods which we really enjoyed! Year 3 found this to be one of the best parts of the day because everyone had so much fun walking on all the mud barefoot. Once we finished the walk we then had time to go to the outdoor park which looked amazing! There were slides, swings and lots more which we all couldn't wait to go on. Once we had been on all of the fun and wonderful slides and swings we were all very tired. However, before we went back on the coach we had time to go to the gift shop and buy anything we wanted to remember the day.

In conclusion, year 3 had a fantastic day at Conkers and we would recommend anyone to go there because there is so much to do and see!

By Nate and Hayden

3L





Brilliant Celtic Harmony

Year 4 went to Celtic Harmony, to help them with their topic lessons; on the 19th of September. Lots of fun was had by all! Just to prove it here are some of the opinions of some of the children and staff that went on the trip.



Our Children's Opinions

Josh: I liked building shelters the best!

Gideon: I liked all of the activities we did.

Kyron: I enjoyed it when we got to throw the spears, even though I thought we had to hold it and

not throw it.

Me (Fremi): I liked gathering the mushrooms.

Our Teacher's Opinions

Miss Corns: I thought the activities were fantastic!

Mr Albutt: 'Very hands on (practical), the children loved it!'

Miss O'Sullivan:' I liked making necklaces'

Lots of other children had the same opinion.....

Josh from 4A mentioned "I like building shelters". This was a popular opinion because they got to build shelters with leaves, sticks and bushes and after that they got to sit in them, which was really comfy!

So as you can see, Celtic Harmony was a brilliant place! Year 4 participated in lots of fantastic activities such as: hunting in the woods, making jewellery in a really big shed, created dens out of sticks and even gathered fruit and mushrooms. Abigail from Year 4 stated "Let's just hope we have another trip like this very soon"



<u>London loveliness!</u>

To help us with our writing this term in literacy and ensure we get the best levels possible for our SATs, Mrs Parker kindly organised an astounding, once-in-a-lifetime trip to the West End, London - to see Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, The Musical.

Rapid CHOCOLATE FACTORY
The New Musical

London was beautiful, posh, rich and incredible. We stopped near the superior theatre and took a giant step excited to see the play/musical. We were all talking, jumping round and gasping in astonishment. We all went to the toilet and came back to watch the play...

We looked around the gigantic, awesome, attractive and breath-taking theatre. It had bright, beautiful lamps; the theatre had a ginormous stage and luxurious, deep red curtains. The actors were ready; the people who were



watching were ready. Everything was perfect! Once the show started it blew our minds, it was amazing and breath-taking. The musical was based on the novel, by Roald Dahl. Charlie, a poor, young boy, was the main character and instantly won the hearts of the audience! He won a 'Golden Ticket', which gave him a rare and unique experience to tour Willy Wonka's Chocolate Factory. Each scene was expertly recreated to capture the audience's attention and the singing and dancing was simply stunning!

When we started to go back everyone's mood sank; everyone wanted to watch it again and again. But that didn't

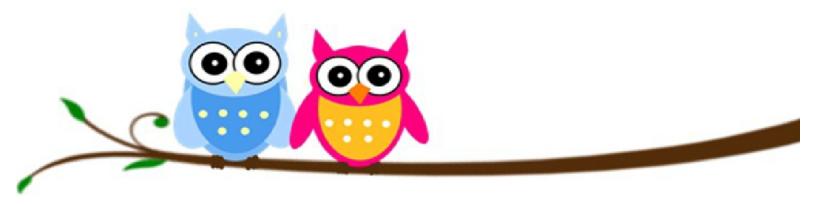
bring everyone's mood down because we all knew full well that we were going to eat KFC! So it wasn't upsetting at all!

As we finished we started to reluctantly walk to the coach hoping for one last memory. Unfortunately, we couldn't and finally got to the coach. Straight after, we had began our long, tiring journey. In the coach, I was minding my own business, then suddenly, I heard the sound of someone being sick!!! So I moved down



to the bottom of the coach where another 2 people were feeling sick, but luckily for me they wasn't. Overall, not one of the children in year 6 were left disappointed by this truly magical experience and we will be forever grateful for the opportunity! We can't wait to show off our fabulous writing skills based on this awesome day.

Written by: Cameron Moreton



<u>Challenges</u>



Who am I?

- 1) This person's favourite colour is green.
- 2) This person's favourite food is cheese.
- **3)** This person was born in Wolverhampton at New Cross Hospital.
- **4)** This person's favourite place for a holiday is Cuba.
- 5) This person's height is 5 foot 10.
- 6) This person's favourite hobby is reading.
- **7)** This person likes teaching maths and literacy.
- 8) This person has taught for 2 years.
- **9)** The job this person had before teaching, was in a bank.
- **10)** The university that this person went to was Wolverhampton University.

The first person to guess who this person who is from Whitgreave Junior School and tell one of the owls will win a prize!

Maths Challenge!

Think you are a math genius,

Then try this math challenge

First one to tell one of the owls wins a prize!

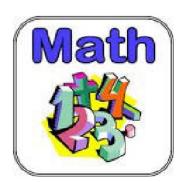
Year3&4

Year 5 & 6

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Challenges by: Megan Rudge and Joseph Wesley





<u>Challenges</u>

Here are some tough riddles to get you thinking! The answers are at the bottom of the page. Can you solve them!

- 1. Which month has 28 days?
- 2. What's the easiest way to double your money?
- 3. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?
- 4. What five-letter word becomes shorter when you add two letters to it?
- 5. What has a neck but no head?

By Madison Leader

- 6. What type of cheese is made backwards?
- 7. What gets wetter as it dries?
- 8. Why did the boy bury his flash light?
- 9. Which letter of the alphabet has the most water?
- 10. What has to be broken before you can use it?

6. Edam 7. A towel 8. Because the batteries died 9. C 10. An egg

2. Put it in front of a mirror 3, a clock 4. Short 5, A bottle

Answers: 1. all of them!



What's Next?



We would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Whitgreave Circle and we hope that you enjoy reading it!!

In the next exciting issue of the Whitgreave Circle we have.....

Interview with teachers from Jamaica
Year 5 trip to the Space centre

Interviews with Pupil Voice and Eco Council

Christmas wish lists

Year 4 Harvest Assembly

Children in Need

What's happening at Christmas

More challenges

And much more!!!!

