



Witham Newsletter

October 2025

Headteacher welcome



What a busy first term we have had! Our first term of the school year has seen some wonderful learning taking place, and our value of 'enjoyment' on show across so many classrooms. Year 6 have enjoyed their residential trip to PGL as well as completing their river study at Snipedales, Year 3 loved their visit to Lincoln Zoo, and lots of our classes have enjoyed spending some time in our 'Witham Woods' learning outdoors.

It has been wonderful to see so many parents in school this term too - from visiting our classrooms during English/Phonics in Action, to talking to teachers during Parents' Evenings. Parent/carer input and feedback is always so valuable to us as a staff team. We hope to welcome lots of you to our 'Parent Reading Group' too!

As always, if you do have any questions or queries, then please do not hesitate to speak to staff on the playground, or contact the school office.

Mrs Broadley



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English/Phonics in Action

We were thrilled to be able to welcome so many parents and carers to our Phonics or English in Action sessions this term. A 'Maths in Action' session will be taking place in the spring term for those who may be interested. We understand that demand is high for places in these sessions so politely request that if you are offered a space you do attend. Unfortunately, we are not able to re-allocate spaces when parents simply do not attend on the day, resulting in frustration for others.

Scooter Parking

Please could we request that all scooters are placed in the scooter racks provided and not left along the fence. This causes a trip hazard for those entering and exiting the gates. If your child scoots to school alone, please ensure they are aware where they must leave their scooter.



Festive Diary Dates

We are very aware of how busy every family diary gets around the festive season. In order to best support this, we will be sharing upcoming dates within newsletters as normal, but a separate letter will also be sent in November detailing everything our families need to know about dates, events and special moments throughout the festive season. We hope this helps in the planning in the run up to Christmas!



Parents' Evenings

Last week saw the first of our Parent's Evenings take place. It was a pleasure to see all of our parents and carers across the two evenings and I know that teachers were thrilled to be able to share the positive start to the year that so many children have had. Thank you as always for your commitment and attendance at these important meetings.

Cold Weather

As we head into winter, please ensure that your child attends school each day with their coat. Hats, gloves and scarves are also welcome if your child wishes to wear these items. Please ensure that all items are named, including individual gloves, hats etc. These items are very difficult for staff to re-home if they are not named!

Flu Vaccinations

Our second round of flu vaccination sprays will be taking place on Thursday 11th December. A letter has been sent home regarding this, please contact the school office if you have any questions.



Remembrance

Our annual remembrance service and display will be taking place on Tuesday 11th November. Parents and carers are more than welcome to join the staff and pupils on the playground for a moment of remembrance on this day.

Parking on residential streets

We are incredibly fortunate to have access to the Market Lounge car park adjacent to our Academy for parent/carer parking. Whilst this car park is not the responsibility of the Academy, we feel it is important to remind all users that unsafe parking poses a risk to all. Equally, parking on residential streets should be done with consideration for access - not blocking dropped curbs - and safety. Emergency vehicles should be able to gain access at all times.

Morning Conversations

Class teachers are always on their doors to welcome children in the morning and speak to any parents or carers who need to catch them. Please be aware that this is not the time for lengthy conversations as teachers have children to teach at this time, please feel free to book in a meeting if more time is needed.



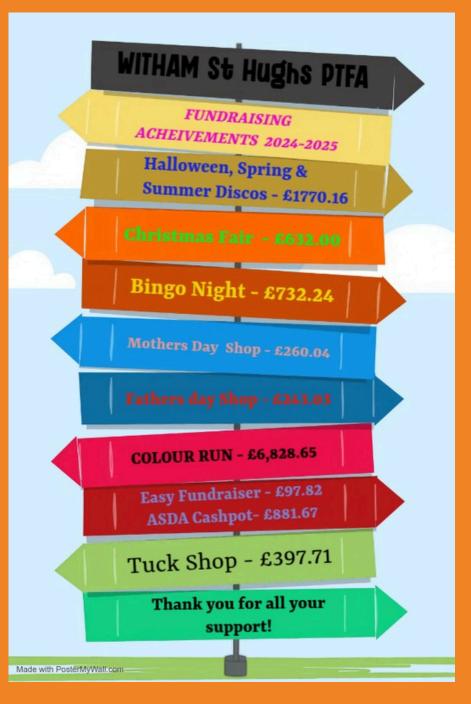
PTFA Events

The PTFA have been working hard to develop an exciting programme of events throughout this year for our children and families to enjoy.

This term saw a brilliant array of pumpkins brought into school to be judged in the pumpkin competition - a huge thank you to everyone who took part!

Monday also saw the first disco of the year take place, our Halloween Disco! Some brilliant costumes all round. Huge thanks to the PTFA for hosting these events.





Didry Dates

NOV First day of term 2

NOV 10-14 Year 4 swimming week

NOV Remembrance event

NOV Children in Need

Year 5/6 swimming week

NOV KS2
Book
Party

NOV EYFS Open Morning NOV PTFA Christmas Fair

NOV EYFS Open Morning



DEC EYFS
Christmas
Production

DEC
8
PTFA
Breakfast
with Santa

DEC KS1
Christmas
Production

DEC Christmas Lunch

DEC Christmas
Jumper
Day

DEC
15-19

Class
Christmas
Parties

DEC Carols on the playground

Last day of term -2pm finish

JAN First day of term 3





Who to contact?

Remember that we are always here to support you and Michelle Dexter our SENDCo, contacts many parents regularly to make sure everything is going well.

Her email address is: michelle.dexter@withamsthughsacademy.co.uk If you think that you need further support, then do not hesitate to contact the school on: 01522 869590 or admin@withamsthughsacademy.co.uk



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