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DATES

October

Wed 15th—Parent / Guardian Evenings, Classes 1, 2, & 3
Thurs 16th—Parent / Guardian Evenings, Classes 1, 2, & 3
Mon 27th—Start of Half-term week

November

Mon 3rd—School opens for 2nd half of the Autumn Term

December

Wed 10th—NHS Flu Immunisations - details to follow Thu 11th—Christmas Performance 2pm and 6pm Wed 17th—Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day Fri 19th—Last day of the Autumn Term

January

Mon 5th—First day of the Spring Term

Term Dates Available on School Website 2025 –2026 —Click here

Please ensure holidays are booked outside of term times because we teach new content every single day.

2026 Residentials

Y2 & Y3 Tattenhall Residential -Tues 30th June—Wed 1st July Y4 London Residential - Tues 24th—Wed 25th March Y6 Min-Y-Don Residential - Mon 6th—Friday 10th July Details to follow

We're looking forward to our upcoming parents and guardian evenings, the first for the 2025-2026 school year. These meetings are a great opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress with their teacher and ensure they're settling in well.

Here are the key dates for each class:

EVERYONE: October 15th & 16th 2025
Reception & Year 6: March 4th 2026
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, & 5: June 17th & 18th 2026

Inter-School Netball Competition

This week, some of our older pupils embraced the opportunity to take part in an inter-school Netball competition. While some were initially quite apprehensive, we are incredibly proud of them for demonstrating such high levels of emotional resilience and for simply 'having a go'. Stepping outside their comfort zone like this is a powerful and valuable way to prepare for the next stage of their educational journey. We look forward to building on this success; we plan to enter a second competition soon for our more experienced players and hope to bring another team back to Weaverham High School.



Celebrating Black History Month at Whitley Village School

10.10.25

At Whitley, we recognise that our nation's strength and progress has been shaped by many hands. Our curriculum has been carefully crafted to ensure that our children are prepared to represent the values of modern Britain, with a deep appreciation for unity and belonging. We want every child to feel a strong connection to their school community and to feel equipped to make their own meaningful contribution to our nation.

As part of our history curriculum, we regularly explore the lives of inspirational figures. This week, to mark the beginning of Black History Month, children in Class 2 and Class 3 took part in a live lesson celebrating influential Black individuals from both history and today. Through a variety of engaging books and discussions, the children learned about the achievements and contributions of these remarkable people, inspiring them to think about the impact they too can have on the world around them.



Friends of Whitley School (FoWS) Lottery

The lottery lets us raise much-needed funds for school to help pay for Mathletics, coaches for trips, furniture etc.

It costs just £8 a month for 2 draws per week. If your number pops up, you win £25. If there was no winner the week before you win If you would like a number and to help support school,

Please contact Hayley Woodward on 07740043151 or littlhayjay@gmail.com

Lottery Winners

We have lots of spare numbers so please consider supporting this initiative.

20/09/2025	22	ROLLOVER	
24/09/2025	25	ROLLOVER	
27/09/2025	59	Mike Ruane	£50
01/10/2025	27	ROLLOVER	

Reception 2026

Reception 2026 Applications Now Open!

If your child is due to start school in **September 2026**, applications for Reception places are now open. Please apply via your **local authority**.

If you know anyone living fairly locally who might be interested in joining our wonderful school community, please encourage them to get in touch — we'd love to welcome them for a visit!

Contact us to arrange a 1:1 tour or ask any questions.



KS2 Career Talk - Inspiring Aviation



Living in such close proximity to both Manchester Airport and Liverpool Airport ensures our pupils are routinely exposed to the activity of commercial aircraft, either ascending after take-off or commencing their final approach. It was therefore exceptionally engaging for the children to receive presentations detailing careers in aviation. The fundamental objective of these talks is to inspire our pupils, fostering an interest they may wish to pursue and enabling them to fully appreciate the practical purpose of their education and the potential professional paths it can unlock within this exciting sector.

Next Talk: Careers at GCHQ

CENTURY AI Platform

We have used CENTURY for the past couple of years. It is an innovative artificial intelligence platform designed to enhance student learning in English, Maths, and Science. CENTURY has been proven to increase student progress by personalising the learning experience. Our Key Stage 2 students can access the platform here from any device that has internet access. Alongside using CENTURY in class,.

What is CENTURY?

CENTURY is an online learning tool that combines artificial intelligence with the latest research in learning science and neuroscience. The platform works by:

- Identifying Gaps: It pinpoints every student's strengths, specific gaps in knowledge, and misconceptions.
- **Personalised Learning:** Students can log in and complete work suggested for them by the advanced recommendation engine, or work that has been set by their teachers.
- Empowering Students: It allows students to take control of their own learning journey.
- **Supporting Teachers:** It gives teachers real-time data on progress, allowing them to quickly identify which students need immediate support or additional challenge.

What Does This Mean for Your Child's Learning?

All **Key Stage 2** children will continue to regularly access CENTURY in class to consolidate, support, and extend their current learning, as well as to revise previous knowledge and skills.

To build on this in the home setting, all children in Key Stage 2 have access to their weekly mathematics, English and Science. Sometimes they may be set tasks by their class teachers through their CENTURY account.

What if my child cannot access CENTURY at home?

Alongside the children's use of CENTURY in their lessons, children in Key Stage 2 will also have the opportunity to book into our new 'Century Club'. This club will take place during the lunchtime break in the Library on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Accessing CENTURY

Students are able to access CENTURY at any time and anywhere. All they need to do is visit **app.century.tech** and enter their unique login details. Their login details will have been given to them by their class teacher and can be found in their reading diary. The platform can be accessed from tablets and laptops on up-to-date versions of most common browsers. The best browsers are Chrome on PCs and Android devices and Safari on iPads. It is also optimised for use on mobile phones.

What Does This Mean for My Child's Personal Data?

CENTURY is fully compliant with all relevant data protection legislation, including **GDPR**, and has robust processes in place to ensure data is secure.

How Do I Find Out More?

If you have any questions about CENTURY, please feel free to get in touch with your child's teacher. Alternatively, you can visit CENTURY's website **www.century.tech** or email CENTURY at **support@century.tech**.

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