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Dear Parents and Carers,

What an exciting week last week was! The whole school enjoyed a fantastic Film Night, and we would like to extend a huge thank you to the WSA for providing hotdogs and popcorn and raising an incredible £600. Thank you also to our teachers, whose time and dedication ensured the evening ran smoothly.

The Rocksteady Concert was a resounding success! It was wonderful to see the children's hard work and practice pay off as they performed with confidence and enthusiasm.

Some Year 3 and 4 boys took part in a football tournament at Macclesfield Football Club. They played exceptionally well, reaching the Semi-Finals. The match ended in a nail-biting penalty shootout. Although they didn't progress further, the children showed fantastic courage, determination and teamwork. A special thank you to Mr. Carew for supporting the team.

On Wednesday, our school choir represented Whirley outside Macclesfield town hall. They performed beautifully and their singing impressed many passersby and they were excellent ambassadors for our school. A special thank you to Mrs Dunford for dedicating her time to rehearsals and helping the choir build confidence. Your support made their performance possible.

On Friday, we celebrated a Grinch writing-themed day! The children thoroughly enjoyed the activities and created some truly fantastic pieces of writing. A big thank you to Mr. Jackson for organising this fun and engaging day for all classes.

Celebration Assembly

Our celebration assembly is an opportunity to recognise and celebrate the children's hard work, their commitment to our Whirley values and their achievements outside of school. We also celebrate the Dojo house points earned throughout the week and announce the winning house of the week.

Headteacher's Award

Reception – Alfred and Amber

Alfred and Amber are being celebrated for their fantastic Maths work, where they explored making the number 5 using Numicon. Excellent effort, both of you!

Year 1 – Tilly

Tilly impressed us with her beautifully presented English work, packed full of fascinating facts about Arctic Foxes. Wonderful work, Tilly!

Year 2 – Jessica

Jessica is recognised for her outstanding voice projection during Nativity practice and for learning all of her lines so confidently. Brilliant work!

Year 3 – Dani and Oliver

Dani and Oliver created stunning Christmas cards, showcasing excellent art skills with pastels. Fantastic creativity from both of you!

Year 4 – Amelia-Rose

Amelia-Rose shared her RE/PSHE work with confidence, explaining the true meaning of Christmas in a thoughtful and articulate way. Well done, Amelia-Rose!

Year 5 – Max

Max is being celebrated for his impressive Science knowledge, particularly about the distances of the planets from the Sun. Great work, Max!

Year 6 – Thomas

Thomas demonstrated excellent resilience while completing his sewing project, showing determination and skill. Well done, Thomas!

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V.I.Ps (Values in Practice)

Our **V.I.P. (Values In Practice) Award**, recognises and celebrates children who consistently demonstrate our **Whirley Values** in their daily school life.

Well done to this week's V.I.Ps who will proudly wear our purple VIP sweatshirts this week: Sophia (Reception) for Respect and Collaboration, Nell (Y1) for Independence, Eden (Y2) for Independence, Dani (Y3) for Resilience, Zaydan (Y4) for Independence, Isaac (Y5) for Independence and Ruby (Y6) for Collaboration.

Winning House



This week's house-points results are in and once again, all our houses have demonstrated fantastic effort and teamwork! Leading the way this week are Birtles, who have earned an impressive 149 dojo points. Their House Trophy is now proudly on display in the school corridor.

Henbury Church Service

A reminder that on the last day of term (Friday 19th December), the whole school will be attending Henbury Church for a Christmas service. Class teachers will be asking for volunteers to help their classes walk over – any support is very welcome. We will be **returning to school after the church service**, so that children can have their dinner and they will be ready to be picked up **FROM SCHOOL** at **12.30**.

After School Club Friday

There will be **NO After** School Club on Friday due to school finishing at 12.30.

Echo Club Performance

On Wednesday 17th December, there will be an Echo Club performance for parents at 4.15 to 4.45.

Attendance

I would like to thank the many of you who are already partnering with us to ensure your children are in school, on time, every day. Your support makes a significant difference and is vital for your child's success. Overall, our school attendance was 95% last week.

- Reception: 93%
- Year 1: 98%
- Year 2: 92%
- Year 3: 98%
- Year 4: 88%
- Year 5: 97%
- Year 6: 97%

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Autumn Term dates up to the Christmas Holiday

16th December – Reception Nativity
17th December – KS1 production
17th December – Echo Club performance after school for parents (4.15 – 4.45)
19th December – Henbury Church Christmas Service (morning)
19th December – School closes at 12.30 for Christmas Break
School Reopens: Tuesday 6th January 2026

External School Clubs

Monday – Y3 – 6 Football 3.30 – 4.30
Tuesday – Y1/2 Football 3.30 – 4.30
Wednesday – Echo Club
Thursday – MAD Science 3.30 – 4.30

Teacher Led School Clubs

Monday and Tuesday lunchtime – Sewing club

Kind regards,
Mrs Karen Whalley
Headteacher