

Dear families,

Young Carers at The Whitstable School

Did you know that The Whitstable School now has a Young Carers Support Group running every Wednesday lunchtime in GZ27?

This group will be run by Mrs James and is open to all Young Carers (registered or non-registered) caring for a family member with; a long term illness, disability, poor mental health or substance misuse.

Whether it is to just sit and listen, talk and share or just be in the company of other young people with caring responsibilities, we are here!

What is a Young Carer?

Young Carers provide unpaid care for a family member or friend with an illness, disability, mental health issue, or addiction. They support the cared-for and other family members with practical tasks, physical care, and emotional support, whilst at the same time trying to live their own life.



Do you think that your child is a Young Carer? Please contact Mrs James for more info or give Kent Young Carers a call on 0300 111 1110, email youngcarers@imago.community or take a look at the Kent Young Carers website www.imago.community

Guest speaker

On Wednesday, we welcomed solo artist and American Idol contestant Casey McQuillan to perform for our students, lead a strong educational talk on Bullying / Mental Health, and conduct a live Q&A for our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils. Casey is a strong advocate for young people and aims to build their confidence through music and speaking about her personal experiences.



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Film studies workshop

A huge thank you to the incredibly talented and experienced storyboard and concept artist, Max Mena. On Wednesday, Max visited The Whitstable School and delivered an insightful introduction to storyboarding for our Year 12 Film Studies students.

Drawing from his extensive experience, Max led a professional, hands-on workshop that truly captivated the 17 students in attendance. They were fully engaged throughout and gained valuable insights from his session. We're grateful for the opportunity to learn from such a skilled professional!

If you are interested in studying Film at The Whitstable School, please get in touch by contacting:
tws_sixth_form@swale.at



Year 9 and Year 10 Curriculum Afternoons

We would like to invite parents and carers to our Year 9 and Year 10 Curriculum Afternoons, scheduled for the dates and times listed below. During this time, you will have the opportunity to come to the school, gain insights into the subjects your child will be studying, and examine some of their completed work.

- Wednesday 25th September -Year 10 Curriculum Afternoon from 3.20 - 4.20pm.
- Thursday 26th September -Year 9 Curriculum Afternoon from 3.20 - 4.20pm.

If you would like to attend, please email tws_admin@swale.at with the name of your child, Year group and how many parents/carers will be attending.

For additional information and to stay informed about forthcoming events, please refer to the [School Calendar](#) available on our website.

School meals

Exciting Theme Days Coming to The Whitstable School.

The theme days will feature a variety of speciality foods, allowing students to explore range of international cuisines and enjoy unique meals that reflect diverse cultural influences.



The Childhood Flu Vaccination Programme 2024/25

The Childhood Flu Vaccination Programme 2024/25 is due to take place in November.

The Immunisation Service asks that Parents/Carers go to: www.kentcht.nhs.uk/imms and click on the blue "Child vaccination form" button to complete the consent form.

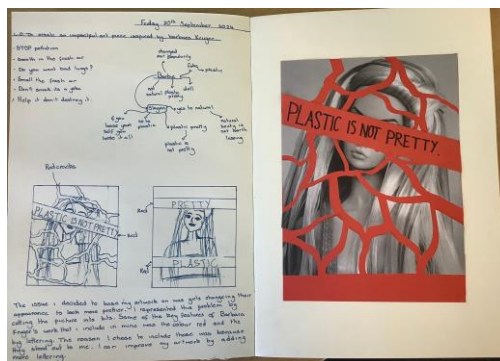
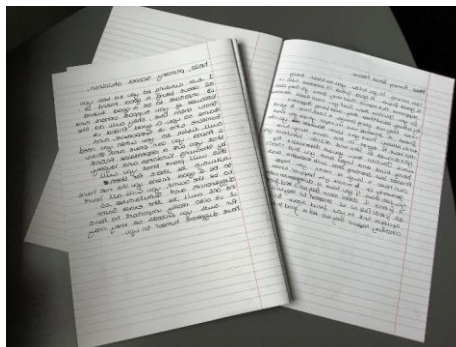
The consent deadline is **12/11/2024**.

Please click on the links below for more information regarding this from the Immunisation Service.

- [Protecting your child against flu. Information for parents and carers.](#)
- [OV Flu Vaccination Guidance](#)

Book of Commendation

Our Book of Commendation highlights academic success and creative work throughout the academic year. Students work is rewarded with 30 positive points Headteacher commendation card; which students can choose to spend in our reward shop. See below some of the amazing accomplishments of our students this week.



Football update

Last Thursday, Mr Naylor and Mr Dowling took the Year 7 football team away to Barton Manor for their first fixture of the season. They got off to a great start going ahead 4-0 at halftime before running out eventual 5-1 winners. The entire team did an outstanding job showing great enthusiasm and represented the school proudly. We wish them the best of luck for the rest of the season!



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ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2025

OPEN EVENING

Thursday 17th of October 2024
6:00PM - 08:30PM

OPEN MORNINGS

21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th of October 2024
9:30AM - 10:20AM

*To book your place on one of our open mornings, please email: tws_admin@swale.at with your name and the date you would like to attend.

New **STEM** and **STAGE Academy** curriculum pathways.



Contact Us
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Website Us
<https://www.thewhitstableschool.org.uk>



Key Dates

Wednesday 25th of September – Year 10 Curriculum Afternoon

Thursday 26th of September – Year 9 Curriculum Afternoon

Tuesday 1st October - Year 7 Skills Curriculum Evening

Thursday 3rd of October – Year 8 Curriculum Evening

Thursday 17th of October- Open Evening for Year 6 Students

Friday 18th of October – Staff Development Day

Monday 21st – Thursday 24th of October- Open morning tours. (Please book)

Monday 28th of October – Friday 1st of November- School Holiday

For more updates and events, please visit our website and follow us on X and Facebook.

<https://www.thewhitstableschool.org.uk/>

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Best wishes

The Whitstable School Team



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