

# Whitley Lodge First School

## Newsletter 19 - Summer 2026



### Curriculum News

#### Ofsted 2026

We are incredibly proud that our latest Ofsted School Inspection Report identifies that Whitley Lodge First School is a 'strong standard' in all areas:

Here are some of the key messages that the report delivers:

*'Pupils' happiness, wellbeing and high academic achievement are at the heart of this community school.'*

*'Parents unanimously praise the school, expressing high levels of appreciation for the role the school plays in the local community and the meaningful opportunities they have to participate in school life.'*

*'Pupils achieve consistently well across the school'.*

*'Pupils' behaviour is exemplary. They consistently behave with integrity in lessons and during playtimes'.*

*'Pupils rise to the staff's very high expectations. They abide by the school's values and take pride in their work and achievements'.*

*'The curriculum offer is highly aspirational and extends beyond the academic, inspiring pupils to be active, engaged and creative learners.'*

The full report has been shared with parents/carers and is available on our [website](#) now. The report will be published on the Ofsted website next week.

### Diary Dates 2026

**30.06.26/01.07.26 Y4 Middle School transition days**

**01.07.26 – 'Move up morning' @ WLFS**

2.7.26 New to KS2 meeting

3.7.26-5.7.26 Robinwood

6.7.26 New to KS1 meeting

10.7.26 Reception Joint class assembly @9am

16.7.26 Y4 Leaver's Assembly @9am

17.7.26 Last day of term

#### New Academic Year

2026-2027

1.9.26 Training Day

23.10.26 Training Day

26.10.26-30.10.26 Half Term

18.12.26 Pupils break up for Christmas holiday

4.1.27 Training Day

15.2.27-19.2.27 Half Term

26.3.27-9.4.27 Easter Break

3.5.27 May Bank Holiday

28.5.27 Training Day

31.5.27-4.6.27 Half Term

**20.7.27 Last day for pupils**

**21.7.27 Training Day**

#### Tiny Lives Fundraiser



Thank you to everyone that supported our fundraising for Tiny Lives. We raised £380 in school and with additional kind donations the family have raised a total of £580.

#### Training Day

We have now confirmed the date for the final training day next year. It is the last day of term on **Wednesday 21 July 2027**. This is the same training day date as Valley Gardens Middle School.

#### Come along to the Summer Fair!

- Live Music
- Pizza Van & Hot Dogs
- Prosecco, Beer & Pop
- Raffle with fantastic prizes
- Games, stalls & more!

The next newsletter is out on Friday 3 July 2026