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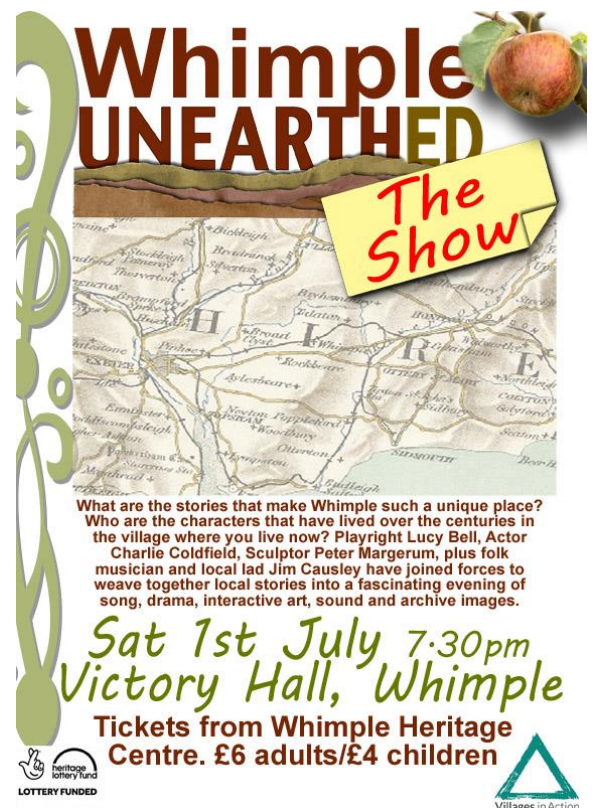
Villages In Action Projects

The Year 5 children have completed their recording project by interviewing some local people to find out about the history of Whimble. Alongside Kate Green they have listened to their recordings and edited them to complete them for the show on Saturday. The Year 3 children have worked with Peter Margerum and created shadow puppets linked to village themes and places. Still shot photographs have been taken to be shown as part of Saturday's slide show.

Tickets are still available.

Musical Joy - part 2

The children in Year 2 have been participating in both drama and music activities for the past 3 weeks as part of Fantastic Friday. In recognition of their effort and enthusiasm they performed two new assembly songs in front of the school as part of our weekly music assembly and then in front of their parents yesterday. Well done to all of those involved.



**Whimble
UNEARTHED**
The Show

What are the stories that make Whimble such a unique place? Who are the characters that have lived over the centuries in the village where you live now? Playright Lucy Bell, Actor Charlie Coldfield, Sculptor Peter Margerum, plus folk musician and local lad Jim Causley have joined forces to weave together local stories into a fascinating evening of song, drama, interactive art, sound and archive images.

Sat 1st July 7.30pm
Victory Hall, Whimble
Tickets from Whimble Heritage Centre. £6 adults/£4 children

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Villages in Action



Parents Survey

There was a good response from you all, with over 60 questionnaires returned.

According to the results we are good at:

- Providing a safe environment and teaching children how to keep safe and live healthily.
- Ensuring most children enjoy school, work hard and make good progress.
- Providing a curriculum which is broad, balanced and enriched with a variety of activities.
- Interacting with the community and involving children in making decisions about things in school that affects them.

We need to get better at:

- Letting parents see their child's work.
- Informing you about your child's progress.

We will continue to:

- Call parents if a head injury occurs and we feel they need to be looked at.
- Inform parents (where possible) if a child hasn't eaten much of their school meal for a few days.
- Provide curricular information in a variety of ways throughout the school year.

Things we plan to change for the next school year:

- Accident forms for children in Ash and Elm will be handed to the adult collecting them at the end of the day.
- Providing more opportunities to see your child's work which will help inform you about your child's progress.
- Re-launch use of the schools learning platform so this can be a place to find more information about timetables and homework expectations, along with hopefully reducing the number of emails sent out.

Things to explore and find out more about:

- Mixed responses to our clubs and after school care provision - this needs to be investigated more to ensure what we provide is financially viable.
- Find a way to open the library after school to enable children to borrow books more regularly.

Local Learning Community Art Project - 6th/7th July

We are still collecting plastic bottle tops and plastic jar lids in any colour, along with old skipping ropes or bits of rope to help make our sculpture. All the children in Year 1 and 2 will be involved on both days and we are still looking for some adults to come along and help out. There will be an official opening of the sculpture trail at Killerton for all Year 1 and 2 pupils along with their parents to attend on Wednesday 12th July. More details in next week's contact.

Summer Fair

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and supported our school fair. A BIG special thank you for Mrs Donna Woolston and Mrs Susie Earle who have worked tirelessly along with a great band of helpers to organise and run the event (there are too many names to mention (or remember)). So far over £2,000 has been counted up. Well done to those children who participated in the choir and country dancing and to those who ran a stall on the day.



World Cup Ladies Cricket

A great day was had by all at Taunton Cricket Ground watching the ladies world cup match between India and West Indies. Thank you to Mr Brown for organising this event and to the parents who went along to enable our children to attend. Another great experience for our children.



Staff Recruitment Update

I am pleased to announce that Miss Bethany Dunsford will be joining us in September to teach Oak Class (Year 3). Both Miss Dunsford and Mrs Boyd will be joining us next Friday morning when the children get to move to their class for next year.

Staff Retirements

Just a brief reminder that if anyone wishes to contribute to any leaving present for Mrs Killen, Mrs Lindsey or Mrs Smith to please place in a named envelope and drop into the school office. The gifts will be from parents, staff and governors.

Whimble Flower Show - Saturday 12th August, Whimble Victory Hall

Entry forms and schedules available from Whimble Stores. Entry forms must be handed in by 9th August, see schedule for all details of entries, rules and recipes.

Junior classes - Under 5's

A garden on a plate (not to exceed 300mm); a finger painting; a pasta bracelet and a plasticene or Play Doh model not to exceed 150mm x 150mm.

Junior classes - age 5 to 8 years

A garden on a plate (not to exceed 300mm); a plasticene or Play Doh model on a plate not to exceed 200mm; a puppet made from a decorated sock and Mars Bars Crispies.



Junior classes - 9 to 11years

An arrangement of small flowers not to exceed 230mmx 230mm; make a fridge magnet out of Fimo or any other Polyclay not to exceed 150mmx150mm; 4 stained glass window biscuits and a water colour painting on any subject, not to exceed A4.

Job Vacancy - Meal-time Assistant

3 days per week - 12 noon to 1.15 pm

Term-time only

Required as soon as possible.

Please call at the School Office for an application form and more information

Whimble School is committed to safeguarding children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. DBS disclosure will be required.

Dates for your diary

Friday 30 th June	Crealy – Year 6
Friday 30 th June	Ash, Elm and Oak school trip
Saturday 1 st July	Start of Village Week
Monday 3 rd July	Beetle Drive – Village Hall 6 pm
Tuesday 4 th July	Musical assembly – choir, recorders and guitars 2.45 pm
Wednesday 5 th July	Clyst Vale Transition Days
Thursday 6 th July	Beech school trip
Thursday/Friday 6 th /7 th	DAISI Art Project – Year 1 and 2
Friday 7 th July	Move on day
Monday 10 th July	King's Transition Days
Monday 10 th July	Residential Week Pixie's Holt – Willow
Monday 17 th July	Retirement event at Cricket Club 4 pm
Wednesday 19 th July	Sculpture opening at Killerton 5.30 pm
Friday 21 st July	Leavers Assembly, last day of term for children.

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