

CONTACT

The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School.

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Please read this issue carefully as some items look like they have been repeated, however, you will notice there have been some alterations to arrangements/requests in them.

Fantastic Fridays!

We started our new Friday afternoon curriculum last Friday. The children had a great time with their first activity. The current set of activities will continue for the next 3 weeks (including today).

Currently our Year 1 children are trying out the outdoor nature activities – these children need wellies, trousers, a long-sleeved top and a waterproof. If children do not have the appropriate clothing they will be unable to participate as we need to ensure their safety.

Year 2 and Year 6 are participating in Relax Kids and cooking. Year 3 are learning and playing board/card games whilst Year 4 are involved in music and drama activities. Finally, Year 5 are getting stuck into some craft activities.

Thank you to those who have already offered your assistance. We are still looking for a few more volunteers to either help with cooking or playing games. The commitment does not necessarily have to be every week and no previous experience is necessary, although all volunteers are subject to safeguarding checks.



Getting to School on Time

Nobody likes to start the day in a rush, including your children. Please ensure children are ready to go into class at 9 a.m. so they can start their day in a calm manner. Our attendance figures improved last year and we want to keep it that way. Attendance continues to be a limiting judgement in an Ofsted inspection. Children arriving after 9 a.m. are recorded as late (if before 9.10 a.m.) and after this as an unauthorised absence. Our Education Welfare Officer reviews the attendance regularly and will follow up on repeat offenders.

PE kits and coats

Please make sure that if you have a child in Ash and Elm that they have a suitable pair of trainers for PE in school everyday. The children in Oak, Beech and Willow need to have a full PE kit in school. All children need to either wear a coat to school or alternatively have a spare waterproof that can be left in school. Unless it is pouring we like to get the children out to play in the morning and at dinner time but many of them come without a coat!

School Council

This year's school councillors have been chosen and will soon be taking on the important job of representing their classes. Well done to:

Issy Popham – Y6
Tegan Street – Y5
Thomas Mackay – Y4
Mikey Trehearne – Y3
Ellie Rowe – KS1

Cassidy Perkin – Y6
Leighton Richards – Y5
Ella Bayley – Y3
Imogen Woollam – KS1
Lottie Williams – KS1



Tuck Shop

Our tuck shop managers for this year are Ben Porter and Noah Willingham. These children are ably assisted by Ned Brown, Ben Cortinhas, Tegan Street, Katie Tolley, Adelaide Perry, Charley McFee, Adam Cross and Leighton Richards.

After being carefully managed by Joseph and Max last year we are currently able to hold last year's prices.

Price list:

Bear Yoyos	45p	Winders	40p
Yogurt raisins	40p	Fruit flakes	40p
School bars	40p	Sesame seed bar	20p
Raisins	15p		



Snacks can be bought by the children either just before school or at playtime.

Friends of Whimble School (F.o.W.S)

The first meeting of the year was well attended.

Our class reps for the year are:

Ash - Tanya Hynd and Donna Woolston

Elm - Charlotte Woollam and Angela Pirrie

Oak - Katy Hill and Kirsty Sherwood

Beech - Louise Fenner and George Bayley

Willow - Caroline Rowe and Alison Large

Next meeting: Tuesday October 11th at 7.30 pm (AGM)

Cake Sale Friday 21st October, at pick up

This cake sale is being run by Elm class, we have however been running out of cakes in the last few sales so it would be great if some other parents could bake too. Oh and don't forget to bring your money on the day!

Tickets Now On Sale For Whimble Primary Schools Halloween Disco!

Friday 21st October 5.30-7.30 pm, Victory Hall, Whimble

£2 each Child (Whimble School children only), available in the School Office, please can adults purchase the tickets as we require contact details for each child.

This is a drop off and leave disco, but if you would like to attend then there are also volunteer tickets (only 20), these are free and on a first come first served basis. You will be required to dress up in your Halloween finest and help on the evening. (Can these tickets try and be left for the reception parents as much as possible.)

I will be sending out a volunteer list for the upcoming fundraising events we have planned, I would be really grateful if as many of you as possible could complete them and send them back to me.

Katie Williams

Clubs



Please note that the children attending the dance club on a Monday and gym club on a Wednesday after school will now be waiting and changing in Ash classroom.

Children attending all other after-school clubs must go and wait quietly in the library until the person in charge of the club comes to collect them. Registers for clubs are always taken. If your child is in school but will not be attending an after school club for which they are registered you must let the person/organisation running the club know that they will not be attending. If your child has been absent from school we will inform the club that they will not be attending.

Dates for your diary

September 28th

October 10th to 14th

October 17th

October 19th

October 21st

Half term – Monday 24th – Friday 28th October

November 7th and 8th

November 9th

November 14th

December 2nd

December 8th

Friday 16th December – School finishes at 1.30 pm

Tag Rugby – Willow class

Bikeability (Year 6 – all week)

Arts Week

Harvest apple picking (reserve 21st)

Halloween Disco 5.30-7.30pm

Parents' evenings

Theatre Alibi visit 'The Boy Who Climbed Into The Moon'

School photos (individual & family photos)

Non pupil day (disaggregated)

Carol Concert in the Church

More dates will be added. Whilst we try and give as much notice as possible we occasionally get last minute opportunities which are too good to miss!

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