



Whalton School News

Autumn Term

26th October 2018

Year 5 and 6 Rugby Festival at Morpeth Rugby Club

This week, again building friendships with Middle and Primary Schools across the Ponteland and Morpeth Partnership, Years 5 and 6 attended a rugby festival. We played with teams of 8 people with rolling subs and thoroughly enjoyed our morning; really showing our skills learned with Dan from All Stars Rugby in our PE sessions at school.



Year 5 Multi-Skills

It was our Year 5's turn to visit Ponteland Primary this week to meet and spend time with some friendly, familiar faces from our residential earlier in the year. We carried out a range of team building activities and had an enjoyable afternoon enhancing our social and sporting skills.



Year 3 and 4 Rugby Tournament

Yet again the sun shone for us at Morpeth Rugby Club where 2 teams from Whalton played bravely against teams from Longhorsley and Cambo. For the first time we had a 'federated' team which came second and won silver! There was not much in the points between the Cambo and Whalton teams for first and second place but we won silver again. There were some very determined players on both sides and it was an excellent match. Many thanks to our coaches, Dan and David for refereeing and to Gary at Morpeth Rugby Club who was an excellent host.

Reception, Year 1 and 2 Multi-Skills

The children were a credit to the school and to their parents at Morpeth Leisure Centre, showing great sportsmanship and skill. They thoroughly enjoyed Miss Thompson's activities and through some excellent controlled aiming and throwing, came away with First Prize! Well done to all.

Macmillan Cancer Care Coffee Morning

Thank you to all who came to our Coffee Morning. Through your wonderful baking and generous donations, we managed to raise **£105.00** for this worthy cause.

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Whalton Village Show 2018

What a tremendous day this was. Thank you to all the parents and staff who helped us before, on and after the day itself. A massive Thank You to Mr Campbell from Lexus who allowed us to raffle 'A weekend in a Lexus'. The final show total exceeded expectations and the profits have been shared between the Village Hall; the Church; PAWS and Whalton CE Primary School. The Show Committee have given us approximately 3 times as much as the school raised - **£1500** and we are extremely grateful. The money is in the PTA account and will go towards a brand new up to date reading scheme for the children.

Sport next half term: Dance

After half term, we would like the children to come to school on Thursdays dressed in their PE kits. It will save valuable lesson time if they do not need to get changed at school. May I take this opportunity to remind you of the school PE kit:



- Navy blue/black shorts
- Plain white T-shirt
- Black plimsolls and trainers (plimsolls for indoor and trainers for outdoor)
- Spare socks and underwear
- Tracksuit trousers in the winter time (plain navy blue/black in colour)
- Optional school hoodie.

Tuesday Lunchtimes

We are pleased to welcome back after half-term, Davey Hoops who will be taking a football club on Tuesday lunchtimes. If your child wishes to take part in this club, please send them in with trainers on a Tuesday.

Shoebox appeal - Tuesday 6th November

Please remember, if you would like to support Link to Hope, to return your shoebox to school no later than Tuesday 6th November, along with your donation of £2.00 to help with transportation and administration costs. Thank you

The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal 2018

If you would like to support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal we have a collection tin and a variety of gifts - rulers, rubbers, pencils, reflectors and pencil sharpeners in the reception foyer. Thank you.



E-Safety

The computer game, 'Fortnite' has come to our attention as a game some primary school children like to play. The PEGI (Pan-European Game Information) rating for this game is 12+ years old. To help parents understand the game and its risks better, NSPCC Netaware have produced some information about this computer App. This is a link to their web page:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/news/fortnite-all-you-need-know/>



Dates for your diary -



Monday 5th November - School re-opens for autumn term 2

Tuesday 6th November - Link to Hope Shoebox appeal deadline for returning boxes

Thursday 8th November - 1st Dance session

Friday 9th November - Remembrance Service - 10:45am in Church

Friday 16th November - Children in Need - more information to follow

Friday 30th November - Family Church Service - 8:55am in Church

Friday 7th December - Christingle Church Service - 2:00pm in Church

Monday 10th December - Rehearsal in Village Hall - Please collect children from the Village Hall at 3:10pm

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Wednesday 12th December - Afternoon Christmas Performance - 1:30pm at the Village Hall

Thursday 13th December - Evening Christmas Performance - 6:00pm at the Village Hall (children to arrive for 5:30pm)

Tuesday 18th December - Christmas Dinner for children - 12 noon in school

Thursday 20th December - Christmas Party for children (come dressed in party clothes)

Friday 21st December - Christmas Service - 2:00pm in Church

Friday 21st December - School breaks up for the Christmas Holidays

A reminder that our School Newsletter is available on the front page of our website and under the Office section - Newsletters at www.whalton.northumberland.sch.uk