

# CONTACT

## The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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Well done and thank you to all those who have already returned the various forms and pieces of paper sent out last Friday. For those who haven't please can you do so and return as soon as possible so our records are complete and up-to-date.

### **Don't forget - Things to return**

- **Data Collection Sheets - complete and check all forms (both sides) as soon as possible.**
- **School photograph consent for family photograph - needed by Monday afternoon at the latest.**

### **Parent Consultations**

Parent consultations are a time to discuss how your child is doing at school, review the targets set in the summer and how to help with their next steps. We would encourage you to bring your child with you, particularly Key Stage 2 children, as this can be beneficial when discussing their targets and their learning.

All teachers will be based in the main building of the school, if your appointment is during the school day then please report to the school office, sign in and wait in reception from where you will be collected. Appointments after the end of school come and wait in school library (through double doors in main building) and the teacher will come to get you. We would be grateful if you would wait outside under the shelter until 3.45pm so we can ensure all children are out from school and at respective clubs, etc

Elm Class: Monday 14th October and Thursday 17th October

Ash Class: Monday 14th October

Oak Class: Thursday 17th October

Beech Class: Tuesday 15th October

Willow Class: Thursday 17th October

All consultations to be booked on the schools learning platform, you can access the login from the school website. Access will be available from Sunday 29th September. (New parents should receive their login details today—any problems please come to the office.

<https://whimble-primary.eschools.co.uk/website>

## Walking Home

Older Key Stage Two children - Please be clear with your child each day as to whether they are meant to be walking home on their own. Only children of parents that have provided permission are able to walk home but some children have been a little unsure when. Thank you.

## Book Bags

Replacement book bags are available to purchase from the school office and can be paid for via School Comms.

## Information for Parents

Please use the school website for the first port of call for finding information. There is a designated parent tab with a whole range of resources and information as well

Curriculum Newsletters are available on the school website—learning tab and then click on the correct class. The information for parents session sheets will also be available from there. (As promised we are trying to reduce the number of emails being sent - paper copies can be obtained from the office if you have any difficulties accessing the information).

<https://whimble-primary.eschools.co.uk/website/learning/93203>

## PE Kits

As discussed at the recent information sessions - please can you ensure that children have their P.E. Kit in school everyday.



## Personal Toys/Items in School

After a discussion across the school it has been decided that we will ask children NOT to bring in toys or personal possessions from home. It is causing a number of issues at lunchtime and we do have various items for children to use when they are here. The only exception is the collecting cards that are available at the moment.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation in supporting this with us.

Hello Everyone

Thank you to those parents who have volunteered to be class reps for the 2019/20 school year. Below is a list of those representatives.

**Elm** - Kaya T & Helen H-S

**Ash** - Louise F & Katie W

**Oak** - Amanda D & Susan P

**Beech** - Donna R & Katy H

**Willow** - Sarah B & Helena H



Oak class will run the first cake sale before half term, Thursday 17th October.

### Volunteers

We have an amazing array of events on the horizon. Mostly things are all in hand however, we still need a few people for various things. Please have a look and a think and see if you are able to help or would like to join in.

#### Halloween Disco - Friday 1st November

Donna R has been hard at work organising this event. For this event, we need parent volunteers inside the actual disco, (Halloween dressed preferably) we need some parents to run a few games, (apple bobbing and 2 others) and bakers to make yummy things to sell at the tuckshop. We already have volunteers who will do the actual selling.

#### Bonfire Night - 2nd November

This is an event being organised by the Whimple cricket club and they have invited FoWs to join in and be involved by selling tasty snacks and bonfire night accessories to raise some money for our school. For example toffee apples, popcorn and glow sticks etc. Katie W is heading this up and will be organising a roster of half hour slots on the night allowing everyone to enjoy the night. So we need YOU to come forward for one of those half hour slots. Tickets are on sale now.

#### Craft Fayre - 9th November

Cathy C and Gaby S have been busy organising for the craft fayre. Volunteers are needed to bake, help make soup and volunteers needed for half hour slots to do children's craft activities.

Although a little way off, and the date as to yet be confirmed, the Christmas fayre will come around soon enough so just a heads up that all class reps will be organising one table for each class at the fayre. For those new to the school this is a real fun one and not about making money but really for the children.

Please if you are able to help in anyway, from preparing, donating items, making something or giving your time it would be very much welcomed and appreciated.

Keep an eye out for posters for these events. The email address to use is [whimplefows@gmail.com](mailto:whimplefows@gmail.com) or you can message me on 07946 382331 or speak to any of the class reps and those heading up the events to let us know you want to help.

Thank you  
Ali Large, FoWS

### **FoWS Christmas Cards**

Just a quick reminder to return your Christmas Card templates by Friday 4th October. Spare templates can be found in the school office.

Looking forward to seeing all your designs!

## Advance Warning

Halloween tickets for children and volunteers will be available from the school office **from Friday 4th October**.

Tickets will be on sale in the school office from Friday 4th October for the Whimple Primary School Halloween Disco (Whimple School children only) on Friday 01 November 2019, 5.30-7.30, Victory Hall, £2 per child.



When purchasing tickets please leave your child's name and a current mobile telephone number with the school office in case we need to contact you on the night.

All reception children must attend with an adult. When purchasing your child's ticket please also collect a volunteer ticket (free) so we can keep a record of the numbers in the hall for safety reasons.

For the rest of the school this is a drop off and leave disco, but if any parents/guardians/helpers would like to attend please also collect a volunteer ticket.

If anyone has any Halloween decorations we could borrow or if anyone can help with set up, decorating and clearing away - even if its for ten minutes - we'd love to hear from you.

We'd like to make the gentle suggestion that each child brings up to £2 to spend on games and in our tuck shop, and if possible in loose change. We have a limited supply and want to ensure that the fun and shop lasts for the evening and that every child can sample the goodies on offer. Water and squash will be provided free of charge throughout the evening. It gets quite hot in there!!

Don't forget to bring your carved pumpkin along with you at 5:30 pm for our pumpkin competition (battery operated tea lights only please).

So begin planning your Halloween finest and get practising those dance moves for our best dressed and best dancer competitions!

We so look forward to seeing you there! Any questions please give one of us a shout or grab us in the playground.

# Dates for your diary

## September

Wednesday 2nd October	School photographs
Thursday 11th October	MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 2pm
Monday 14th October	Elm and Ash Parent Consultations
Tuesday 15th October	Beech Parent Consultations
Thursday 17th October	Elm, Oak and Willow Parent Consultations
Thursday 17th October	Flu immunisations
Friday 18th October	School Annual Apple Picking

**Half term** 21st to 25th October 2019

## November

Friday 1st November	FOWS Halloween Disco
Saturday 9th November	FOWS Craft Fair

## December

Friday 6th December	Non-pupil day
Thursday 12th December	KS2 Carol Service 5.45pm
Friday 13th December	FOWS Christmas Fair
Friday 20th December	Last day of term 1.30pm finish

Week commencing 11th May Key Stage 2 SATs

Week commencing 8th June Phonics screening/times tables testing

Monday 6th July - Friday 10th July Year 6 Residential to Pixie's Holt

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