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The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School.

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Election Day at Whimple Primary

The children of Willow class have formed three political parties: The Apple Tree Party, The Primary Party and The Sphere Party. Throughout the week they have had to decide on three main issues and write a party manifesto to promote them.





Each party leader presented their manifesto to the other children in the school in assembly. All the children were then asked to complete a ballot paper to vote for the party they wished to elect.

The results were as follows:

The Apple Tree Party 49 votes
The Primary Party 11 votes
The Sphere Party 39 votes

There being no majority the result is a hung parliament!



Sports Day

Sports Day will take place on Friday 16th June at the Cricket Field, commencing at 10 a.m. This year all events will take place in the **morning** ONLY with children returning to school for their Fantastic Friday afternoon activities.

Team events will be held first, with the flat races taking place around 11 a.m., after break. All children need to bring a packed lunch and a drink to school as we will all picnic on the field for lunch. Don't forget to include sun cream and a waterproof coat - we need to be prepared for all weathers.



Parents of children in Ash (Miss Norton's class) are asked to donate cakes and biscuits for the event. Any offers of help on the day would also be welcome, please contact your class rep. Charlotte Woollam.

Parent Survey

Your child will be bringing home a questionnaire for you to complete. It may seem quite long initially but most questions only require a tick for an answer.

Our plan is to ask all our parents (and pupils) to complete a survey annually on a range of matters. The questions help to inform us, not only how we are doing but what things you think can be changed, improved or updated. The analysis of this will then feed into our school improvement plan for the next school year. Findings will be reported back to you via this newsletter. Please take the time to complete the survey and return to school by Monday 19th June. In advance, can I thank you for your time and effort, it is most appreciated. (Children have already completed their survey in school).

School Trips

School trips are in the process of being organised for each class - just for a 'heads up' here are the proposed dates and venues. To help keep the costs down we are putting some year groups together.

Friday 30th June

Reception and Year 1 - Knightshayes, near Tiverton

Year 2 and Oak Class - Plymouth Aquarium

Thursday 6th July

Beech class - Dawlish Warren Nature Reserve

Look out for more information coming home with your child in the next week or so.



Fantastic Friday

Fantastic Friday will continue in the afternoon after sports day on Friday 16th June.

The activities for each year group will be:

Reception - outdoor activities - children need to bring in wellies, trousers, a long-sleeved top and a waterproof to change into prior to walking to The Orchard

Year 1 - Relax Kids and games

Year 2 - music and drama

Year 3 - crafting

Year 4 - cookery and Relax Kids

Year 5 and 6 - First Aid

Please can you make sure the children in Reception have their outdoor kit to change into after assembly on Friday.

Bear Trail

Have fun tomorrow climbing and crawling around in the mud and tell us all about it on Monday.



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

The children in Years 1 and 2 are going to be involved in a learning community art project with DAISI in July. Whimple along with others school in our area are all making a sculpture linked to the National Trust project, 'Lost Killerton'. These sculptures will then be displayed around the extended grounds at Killerton to produce an art trail. More information will be available nearer the time, however, we need to start collecting plastic bottle tops and plastic jar lids in any colour, along with old skipping ropes or bits if rope. (All will be revealed in July!)

Any parent able to help for part of either day above, or for the Year 3 Art Project on Monday 26^{th} please call into the office or send us an email to let us know. The more the merrier!

Whimple Flag Competition



The Heritage Centre is taking part in a Heritage Lottery Funded Project called 'Raiding the Standard'. The project aims to help communities to repair and conserve historical flags and banners. Part of this is the involvement in designing a flag for Whimple.

Entry forms are in office if you have mislaid yours, but please encourage your child to take part in this fabulous project.





Non-uniform day on Thursday 22nd June

In exchange for not wearing uniform, the children are asked to bring in something for the teachers' tombola stall such as boxes of chocolate, unwanted Christmas gifts, toiletries, sweets, food items, etc.

Dates for your diary

Monday 12th June Tuesday 13th June Tuesday 13th June Friday 16th June Friday 23rd June Saturday 24th June Monday 26th June Monday 26th June Tuesday 27th June Thursday 29th June Friday 30th June Friday 30th June

Phonics screening week
Instrumentalists assembly
FoWS meeting 7.30 pm
Sports Day
Sports Day reserve
Summer Fair 1 pm – 4 pm
Light and shadow workshop – Year 3
Life Skills – Year 6
Class photographs
Women's World Cup Cricket, Taunton
Crealy – Year 6
Ash, Elm and Oak school trips

Saturday 1st July Wednesday 5th July Thursday 6th July Thursday/Friday 6th/7th Friday 7th July Monday 10th July Monday 10th July Friday 21st July

Start of Village Week Clyst Vale Transition Days Beech school trip DAISI Art Project – Years 1 and 2 Move on day King's Transition Days

Residential Week Pixie's Holt – Willow Leavers Assembly, last day of term for children

Wednesday 6th September First day of Autumn term for children

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