

# CONTACT

## The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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### Happy Easter

Every week when I sit down to write this newsletter it always surprises me what, as a school, we manage to cram into one week, especially when so many have been short ones recently! It's hard to believe we are at the end of another term. I would like to thank you all for your continued support and wish you all a healthy and Happy Easter.

### Open The Book Assembly

On Monday we welcomed a small group of volunteers with the local vicar Rev. Chris Martin into our assembly. With a couple of pupils they acted out the story of The Last Supper for the children. This will hopefully be the first of a number of regular assemblies involving people from our local community.



### Things to remember:

#### Report Comment Slips

Please can parents and children remember to write a comment on their report slip and return it to school. It takes a lot of teacher time and effort to write reports and it is great to get a little feedback.

#### New School Dinner Menu

There is a new menu for next term. Ordering continues to be in advance but if your child fancies trying something different or would like an alternative just let the office know. Meals have to be ordered by 9.30a.m. so any changes after that time cannot be accommodated unfortunately. The pasta will be served separately to the accompanying sauce to help maintain flavour and freshness.

## Troy Story



Well done to all those who sung and acted their hearts out in our drama production this year. The dress rehearsal in front of the school and many of the 'Over 60s club' went so well. On Tuesday afternoon it put the adults into panic, but, true to form, the children came up trumps and with each show the performance improved.

Thank to those children who helped behind the scenes with making props. The biggest thanks must go to Miss Clarke and Miss Norton for spending many hours both during and after school in the past few months putting the whole thing together and choreographing the children's performance.





Thank you for your support, more photos will be available after Easter.



## World Music Workshop

Wednesday afternoon saw three talented musicians arrive in school. The workshop started with activities to help warm up the children's voices.



The children were then taken around the world - Ghana, Israel, Brazil and India composing and participating in a selection of songs.



Instrumental accompaniment included an African guitar and harp along with a hand-made xylophone which originated in West Africa.

The children also sang and improvised in several different languages, Portuguese, English, Hebrew and others. Throughout the workshop children learned about rhythm, melodies and feeling the music.

A good time was had by all.



Things to See and Do:



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**A Curious Turn:  
 family workshops**



Sat 10 Mar, 11am to 3pm  
 Sat 31 Mar, 11am to 3pm

**MOVING  
 CHARACTERS**

Artist Izzy Wild will show you how to make moving characters out of ordinary household items.

*Free to drop in, donations welcome*

Wed 11 Apr, 11am to 3pm

**MOVING COLOUR  
 WORKSHOP**

Inspired by the artwork of Alexander Calder come and make some colour move. We are making a large mobile that will feature as part of the Honiton Festival of Imagination, you can also make mobiles to take home with artist Tamsin Pender.

*Free to drop in, donations welcome*



Thelma Hulbert Gallery, Elmfield House,  
 Dowell St, Honiton, EX14 1LX

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**A Curious Turn:  
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Sat 21 Apr, 10am to 4pm

**MECHANICAL  
 ART WORKSHOP**

Exercise your artistic and engineering skills while learning some basics about the science of mechanical movement in this creative technology workshop. Using a mix of pre-made parts, chopsticks, a box, and a load of art and craft materials, you can make a moving toy or automata that bursts into life at the turn of a handle.

*Booking essential. £5 per participant. Three time slots available, 11am, 12.15pm, 1.45pm. Each session lasts one hour*



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PRESENTS

**MACHINA FESTIVAL**

22<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2018 12<sup>NOON</sup> – 5.30<sup>PM</sup>

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIGITAL ARTS FESTIVAL

**EXETER PHOENIX**

Talks, demonstrations, workshops and exhibition

**RAMM**

Drop in workshop and exhibition

Come and see the exhibitions of digital art work and have a go yourself in the workshops and activities

For full festival programme and to book on any of the workshops:  
[machinafestival.wordpress.com](http://machinafestival.wordpress.com)



# April in Wild East Devon

Fri 30 Mar to  
Mon 16 Apr  
**Easter trail**  
at Cranbrook



    
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Fri 30 Mar and  
Mon 16 Apr  
10am to 4pm daily  
**Eggsplorer trail**  
at Seaton Wetlands



    
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Tue 3 Apr  
10am to 3pm  
**Family adventure day**  
at Liverton Copse, Exmouth



    
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Thu 5 Apr  
2pm to 4pm  
**Bird watching for children**  
at Tower Hide  
Seaton Wetlands



    
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Fri 6 Apr  
10am to 12 noon  
**Wildlife safari**  
at Fire Beacon Hill



    
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Sat 14 Apr  
10am to 4pm  
**Willow plant supports**  
at Reed Base,  
Seaton Wetlands



    
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Book online [wildeastdevon.co.uk](http://wildeastdevon.co.uk) or call 01395 517557



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# Dates for your diary

Monday 16th April	First day of summer term
Monday 14th May	Key Stage SATs week
Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June	Half-term
Monday 4th June	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 5th June	First day of half-term
Friday 8th June	Sports Day
Monday 11th June	Phonics Screening Week (Year 1)

Term dates for pupils:

## **SUMMER TERM 2018**

**16<sup>th</sup> April to 26<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

*May Day holiday - 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018*

*Half term - 28<sup>th</sup> May to 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018*

*Non-pupil days (i.e. staff only): 2<sup>nd</sup> July*

Term dates for pupils - 2018/19:

## **AUTUMN TERM 2018**

**5<sup>th</sup> September to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018**

*Half term - 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018*

## **SPRING TERM 2019**

**8<sup>th</sup> January to 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

*Half term - 18<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019*

## **SUMMER TERM 2019**

**23<sup>rd</sup> April to 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019**

*May Day holiday - 6<sup>th</sup> May 2019*

*Half term - 27<sup>th</sup> May to 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019*

*Non-pupil days (i.e. staff only): 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> September, 7<sup>th</sup> December, 7<sup>th</sup> January, 3<sup>rd</sup> June*

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