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The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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Parent Governor Vacancy

We are looking for a parent who ideally has one or more of the skills needed (listed below) to join the Governor Team:

Experience of staff recruitment

Performance management

Handling complaints, grievances or appeals

Human resources expertise

Being a Governor is a great way to be involved in and support our school, expand your knowledge and skills, build your CV or keep you up-to-date with current affairs. We meet 10 times per year for evening meetings.

There is training on offer and a warm and friendly welcome to anyone who is interested.

For more information please contact the Chair of Governors, Linden Best on 07799257825 or lbest@whimple-primary.devon.sch.uk

Parent Survey

Thank you to those parents who have already taken the time to complete the survey. For those who have found a time slot yet, there is still a week to go. Extra copies can be obtained from the office or on the governor table at the school fair. Please complete the survey and return to school by Friday 28th June.

Sports Day

We have set one final date in the diary for Sports Day - Tuesday 16th July (morning). Nearer the time we will look at the weather forecast and make a decision. (Third time lucky!)



Summer Fayre Raffle Tickets

Tickets are £1 each and all profits go to Whimple Primary School. Some great prizes including entrance tickets for family days out, are being donated from local businesses.

The winner of the "Golden Ticket" is Oliver in Reception.

The remaining winning tickets will be drawn at the Fayre on Saturday 22nd June at 3:30pm.

Please come and support the fair—we are currently raising money towards purchasing an 'Activall' to go on an outside wall at school for use by all the pupils.



Holiday Childcare and Events

Exeter Music Holiday School (EMHS), is a Creative Alternative to Holiday Childcare. We offer workshops in drumming, strings, woodwind, vocals, percussion; musical theatre; art; dance; world music; song-writing and more! No experience is necessary, all our workshops are built around each individual child. We have a mindful approach to teaching and your child's happiness and confidence is out number one priority. Alongside the workshops, we offer 'free choice' and plenty of opportunity to play and explore - nothing is rigid.

We are open for 5 weeks during the summer holidays, from the 29th July to the 30th August. 9.00am to 3.30pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). Bookings can be made for the week, a day or the duration - we can be flexible to suit your needs.

Exeter Music Holiday School is based is the Tree House/Forest School Area, at Countess Wear Community School, Exeter, during every school holidays. All students of Whimple School, get a 10% discount, off all bookings. Plus a further 10% sibling discount.

Timetables are available for download from the website: exetermusicholidayschool.co.uk

You can also check out our Facebook page for updates, competitions, the gallery and videos of our workshops: www.facebook.com/EMHS13/

For further information, to book, receive the timetables, please contact Ruth or Laura at exetermusicholidayschool@hotmail.co.uk - or by calling (Laura) on 07572 610742. Please remember to tell us your child/child's sibling attends Whimple, to make sure you receive the 10% discount.







CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

Sidmouth Folk Festival means time for a wonderful week of fun, workshops, activities, new experiences and super evening family shows!

There are lots of daily workshop activities targeted at specific ages. Some are progressive culminating in Showcase opportunities.

Under 8's can join The Minims Junior Band or join well-known Jackie Oates in the Sidmouth Mini Singers. For those who like to make and do there are the daily morning Crazy Craft fun times, which this year, have the theme of The Herring is the King of the Sea.

Active over 8's have a bit more choice and can really broaden their skills by learning Appalachian Step Dancing and Cotswold Morris Dancing. There is the wonderful daily Craft Carousel where children can make something different everyday plus, brand new for 2019, an opportunity to make a Jack-In-The-Green-Jig Doll. For the musical over 8's along with learning the ukulele, there is a superb choir - The Sidmouth Songswell plus The Sidmouth Seaside Stomper's Ceilidh Band Workshop. This workshop is for young musicians of grade 2 and above. A series of daily workshops leads to being the ceilidh band for the Thursday evening ceilidh in the main festival dance marquee - how cool is that then!

There are many other events and activities for all ages - including the under 4's, along with some dedicated family activities. Every afternoon families can work together to create a Musical Processional Extraordinaire for the Friday evening torchlight procession. Participants will be able to create a fantastical illuminated headdress and a simple costume to wear in the parade plus learning some great noisy percussive rhythms to play their way along the route.

More information will be available soon, with the Family Festival flier plus the Children's Festival Programme, which will be available to buy from Sidmouth TIC or to download from www.sidmouthfolkfestival.co.uk

For children the most cost effective way to enjoy the Festival is with a Child's Week Season ticket (£56.00). With one of these children can enjoy events everyday for just £8.00 per day (space permitting). Most events, can also be accessed by paying on the door (£5.00 for 6ys+ & £3.00 for others). Residents within Sidmouth Town Council area can claim (only from Sidmouth TIC) £10.00 discounts on children's season ticket.

If adults also want to enjoy events at the festival why not take up the Festival family ticket offer, where with one adult ticket you pay for one youth or one child ticket and the next child ticket is then free.

We do hope that East Devon children join in the fun at the Sidmouth Folk Festival.

Ray & Bev Langton

Children's Festival Producers

Dates for your diary

Saturday 22nd June Summer Fair

Thursday 27th June Crealy Visit - Year 6

Friday 28th June Music Assembly - choir, guitars and recorders 9.15am

Wednesday 3rd July Beech + Willow Year 5 Class trip to Lyme Regis

Wednesday 3rd to Friday 5th July Clyst Vale New Intake Days - Year 6

Monday 1st July Instrument assembly (afternoon)

Thursday 4th July Civic Award Presentation Ceremony at Uffculme School 6pm

Monday 8th July Year 6 Residential Week

Tuesday 9th July Consultations for Year 5, Year 1 and Oak class

Monday 15th July 'Body Image' information evening for parents

Monday 15th July Consultations for Year 6, Year 2, Elm and Beech class

Tuesday 23rd July Last day of term, 3.30pm finish.

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