

CONTACT

The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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Well half-term is here, the time goes faster every year! Thank you for completing and returning all the paperwork this term, hopefully, it should all calm down now. With 144 children and over 100 families keeping up with all the information can be challenging. As I look out the window, the weather is glorious - let's hope it stays like this for next week; have a great half-term and we will see you all on Monday 29th October, all refreshed and raring to go.

Flu Immunisation Programme

If you haven't managed to book your child in using the online system emailed out last week and you would like your child to be immunised, please call into the office for a paper copy. This is only for parents of children in Reception, Year 1 -5 (not Year 6) and must be completed by no later than 30th October.

Parents Evening

The feedback from both teachers and parents has been positive. Using the new online system worked really well. We are now using our learning platform in school to try and simplify things and reduce the paperwork. The children are excited by their new online registers! Please continue to log in occasionally as we gradually develop the site and use the class pages for more information.

Book Fair

We will be holding a Book People Book Fair in the middle of November - more details after half-term.

Reception Group Photo

Our newest children to the school have had their photo published in the Express and Echo yesterday.

Friends of Whimple School New Committee

Chairperson: Alison Large
Vice Chair: Katie Williams
Secretary: Katy Hill
Treasurer: Amanda Yendole

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome and thank Alison and Amanda.

We are going to be changing things slightly to make it easier for all to get involved and get better updates on where the money has been spent, and exciting new projects that we are hoping to fund.

Upcoming Events:

Halloween Disco, [Friday 2nd November](#), tickets on sale now in the school office!

Whimple Handmade Market (previously craft fair), [Saturday](#) 10th November

We still need helpers on the day, even for half an hour then please speak to myself, Cathy Culshaw or Gaby Sweet.

Most importantly though, please come and support this event, I always do lots of my Christmas Shopping there, it really is a great quality fair, and one whimple should be very proud of.

Silent disco, [Saturday 17th November](#)

Tickets on sale in the school office (from November 5th) and Whimple Stores.

If you haven't been to a silent disco before, then we are going to start the evening with a normal disco, then headphones will be handed out and you will be able to choose from either 80s, 90s or current music to dance to. Those without the headphones (there will be enough for 1 set each) hear no music, giving the effect of a room full of people dancing to nothing. It's going to be a really fun event, glow sticks will be provided, but feel free to dust off your leg warmers if you feel the need! There will be a bar and snacks too.

And lastly, as this may be my last FoWS contact update, I would like to thank you all for your support over the last 3 years, in that time we have made over £16,000, which I think is pretty fab, so well done to you all.

Katie Williams

The staff and pupils of Whimple Primary School would like to say a HUGE THANK YOU to Katie and all the effort and time she has committed to FoWS.

The money raised by everyone makes a massive difference to all the pupils here at school. If every parent just helps with one event a year, the workload is significantly reduced.



WHIMPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL HALLOWEEN DISCO

FRIDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 5.30-7.30
VICTORY HALL, WHIMPLE

Come and join us for a Spooktacular Disco,
with Games, Prizes for Best Fancy Dress,
Best Dancing and Best Carved Pumpkin
(please bring these with you, battery operated tea lights only)

Tuck Shop and Games,
Please bring some pennies!
We suggest no more than \$1

Parent Information:
This is a drop off and leave disco,
but if you would like to attend
please get a FREE volunteer ticket.
All reception children need an adult with them.
Only volunteers will be able to attend the Disco and
we ask that volunteers come in Fancy Dress

FOR WHIMPLE SCHOOL CHILDREN ONLY!

Games Prizes Sweets & more!

£2 each!
Tickets From School Office



Events happening in November.

Cafe
Art
Cosmetics
Interiors
Children's crafts
Hot Soup
Christmas Gifts
Workshops & much more!

Handmade Market

Whimble Village Hall
Saturday 10th
November 1-4pm

In aid of Whimble
Primary School

Cathy 07789553251
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FRIENDS OF WHIMPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

Silent Disco

HEADPHONES SUPPLIED CHOICE OF THREE MUSIC STREAMS

WHIMPLE VICTORY HALL
SAT 17th NOV 7.30 - 11
\$10 - FIRST DRINK FREE*
FOR PARENTS & FRIENDS
OF WHIMPLE SCHOOL

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM WHIMPLE STORES & SCHOOL OFFICE
*does not include spirits xx

Wild East Devon—Half-Term Activities

Bird watching for children, Monday 22 October, 10am to 11am and 11am to 12noon, Tower Hide at Seaton Wetlands

Come and learn about the birds found at Seaton Wetlands with an experienced volunteer guide. See how many you can spot!

£2 per child, booking required. Find out more at wildeastdevon.co.uk. Contact Wild East Devon at: wild@eastdevon.gov.uk, 01395517557.



AVDCS family explorer day at Holyford Woods, Tuesday 23 October, 2pm to 4pm, Holyford Woods

Join the [Axe Vale and District Conservation Society](http://www.axevaleanddistrictconservation.org.uk) with the Wild East Devon Education ranger for an afternoon of outdoor fun!

£5 per family group, booking required. Find out more at wildeastdevon.co.uk. Contact Wild East Devon at: wild@eastdevon.gov.uk, 01395517557.

Apple pressing at The Knapp, Wednesday 24 October, 10am to 1pm, The Knapp Local Nature Reserve, Sidmouth

Enjoy delicious apple juice picked and pressed at The Knapp - as fresh as it gets!

A free event, no booking required. Find out more at wildeastdevon.co.uk. Contact Wild East Devon at: wild@eastdevon.gov.uk, 01395517557.



Autumn crafts at Seaton Wetlands, Wednesday 24 October, 10am to 1pm, Reed Base at Seaton Wetlands

Join the Education rangers to make Halloween and Autumnal themed crafts.

£3 per child, no booking required. Find out more at wildeastdevon.co.uk. Contact Wild East Devon at: wild@eastdevon.gov.uk, 01395517557.

What's that bird? Thursday 25 October, 11am to 1pm, Tower Hide at Seaton Wetlands

Whatever your experience, come along and learn more about the birds found at Seaton Wetlands with an experienced volunteer guide.

A free event, no booking required. Find out more at wildeastdevon.co.uk. Contact Wild East Devon at: wild@eastdevon.gov.uk, 01395517557.



Don't Forget Dates for your diary

Half term: Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October

November

Friday 2nd November	Halloween Disco
Monday 5th November	Flu immunisations Reception to Year 5
Wednesday 7th November	Fire Safety Visit
Saturday 10th November	Craft Fair
Thursday 15th November	Samaritan Purse Shoebox Collection

December

Friday 7th December	Non-pupil day
Wednesday 12th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 13th December	Carol Service at Church
Tuesday 18th December	Early Years and Key Stage 1 Nativity 4pm
Wednesday 19th December	Early Years and Key Stage 1 Nativity (afternoon)
Thursday 20th December	Christmas Fayre
Friday 21st December	Last day of term - 1.30pm finish

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