

The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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Class Curriculum Newsletters

The curriculum newsletters for this term are now available on the class pages of the school website. These newsletters will provide you with the topics being covered and ideas on how to support your child at home.

School Wassail

On Monday morning the children in Willow and Beech class will head over to our orchard to find out more about the tradition of wassailing. We will have a go at learning the poem and song as well as performing some out the ritual in order to promote a good apple harvest from our trees.



The Whimple Wassail will take place on Wednesday 17th January - meeting at the New Fountain at 6.00pm to learn and practise the song and then heading off to the orchards at 6.30pm. All are welcome to join them, just wear your wellies, bring a torch and something to bang!

School admissions

The online system for new starters (September 2018) closes at midnight on 15th January 2018. This is essential in order to secure a school place for your child.

Email: secondaryschooladmissions@devon.gov.uk

Website: http://www.devon.gov.uk

If you have any queries please may I ask you to email, I am sure you can appreciate we are quite busy and would like to ensure that we get information to all our schools.

Parents can contact the Education Helpline on 0345 155 1019 for a form if they do not have any access to making an online application.

New Mealtime Assistants

We welcome two new members to our lunchtime team: Mrs Christy Stone who is working Monday to Thursday and Mrs Penny Kego who is working Thursday and Friday.



Mrs Christy Stone



Mrs Penny Kego

Getting your child out of the house in the morning

Detailed below is a useful document to help parents

http://www.ahaparenting.com/parenting-tools/family-life/kids-morning-routine



Next FoWS meeting

Tuesday 16th January 7.30pm at the Thirsty Farmer All welcome, we'll be discussing the Easter fundraisers, please come along if you can.

Congratulations and thank you to George Bayley, Charlotte Woollam and their band of merry helpers (or was it elves!). The Christmas fair raised over £200 and the children loved it.

Dates for your diary

January

Monday 15th Beech swimming

Monday 15th All after school clubs commence

Friday 26th M & M Productions - Beauty and the Beast

Tuesday 30th NSPCC 'Buddy' revisits

Wednesday 31st Visiting author

Wednesday 31st Book People - Book Fair (for a week, more details to follow)

February

Tuesday 6th NSPCC workouts

Monday 12th Half-term

Term dates 2017-2018

SPRING TERM 2018 4th January to 29th March 2018

Half term - 12th to 16th February 2018

SUMMER TERM 2018 16th April to 26th July 2018

May Day holiday - 7th May 2018

Half term - 28th May to 4th June 2018

Non-pupil days (i.e. staff only): 2nd July 2018

More dates will be added. Whilst we try and give as much notice as possible we occasionally get last minute opportunities which are too good to miss!

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