

## The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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#### Putting More Names to Faces

We are very lucky to have three Higher Level Teaching Assistants whom support our teachers in many ways including covering classes for teachers Preparation, Planning and Assessment (PPA) time. Mrs Caroline Wall is also our Emotional Health and Wellbeing Champion.



Mrs L Clapp



Mrs D Vanstone



Mrs C Wall

Our school office is ably 'manned' between the hours of 8.45 a.m. and 3.45 p.m. by:



Mrs Helen Mitchell



Mrs Caroline Rowe

Next time an introduction to all our part-time teaching assistants.

#### **Parent Consultations**

Parent consultations will be held for each class on the following dates:

Elm Class -	Monday 15th October
Ash Class -	Monday 15th October
Beech Class -	Tuesday 16th October
Oak Class -	Wednesday 17th October
Willow Class -	Wednesday 17th October

These consultations will provide an opportunity to discuss the targets set last term with you and your child and decide on their next steps.

#### Medication

We encourage parents to try and provide their child's medication outside the school day. Where this is not possible, medication must be taken to the school office so the relevant paperwork can be completed. If required, the medication needs to be collected from the school office at the end of the day.

#### Christmas Dates

I know, I don't like mentioning it yet either, however, we like to provide as much warning as possible for key events.

#### Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity

We are unable to hire the hall for an evening performance this year so we are going to do two performances one on Tuesday 18th December at 4pm and the other on Wednesday 19th, 2-2.30pm start. More details will be available nearer the time.

#### Key Stage 2 Carol Service

This will be held at Whimple Church on Thursday 13th December at 6pm.

#### Secondary Places

If your child is starting year 6 within their primary school this September (2018), you can apply for their secondary school place online now.

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal\_LIVE/Account/Login?ReturnUrl=% 2fCCSCitizenPortal\_LIVE%2f

The application process opened on Saturday 1 September and closes Wednesday 31 October 2018.

#### School Councillors

Our School Councillors for this year have been elected, with some great speeches from our older children.

- Year 6: Ben Hudson and Raghav Sachdeva
- Year 5: Ava Martin and Anna Ryan
- Year 4: Owen Major and Elliot Clayton
- Year 3: Flossy Sherwood and George Williams
- Year 2: Millie Batten and Lucie Best

### Exeter Children's Orchestra

The Exeter Children's Orchestra (ECO) was formed to give children (aged 7-18), who are learning to play musical instruments, the opportunity to play and perform together, whilst promoting the development of musical talent and appreciation.

#### What's happening next...?

We try to organise a varied programme of experiences for the children:

In October - we are running a workshop with professional musicians from the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra

In November - we are doing a 'Flash Mob' performance in the Exeter Princesshay shopping centre (don't tell anybody!).

In December – our most ambitious project to date - we are performing **THE SNOWMAN**...more on this below...

2018 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the classic Christmas story, **The Snowman**. Under licence from Penguin Books, ECO will be performing the only screenings of the animated film with live orchestral accompaniment in Devon this year. There is a special matinée performance and tea party for a younger audience at 4.00pm on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Details about the performances and how to buy tickets can be obtained via our website. <u>www.exeterchildrensorchestra.co.uk</u>

Half Term Hockey Camp

Exeter School

Monday October 22<sup>nd</sup> and Tuesday October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Both days 10 am - 3 pm

Boys and Girls aged 8 - 14 years all abilities welcome, beginners, advanced or Goal Keepers

Learn new skills, play fun games and matches, win prizes and get a FREE Gift

Cost; £40 for both days, £25 one day only

Sue Hutchings, Level 3 Coach, Devon and West Panthers

Lauren Hutchings, Level 2 Coach, Welsh International

<u>Contact</u>

Sue Hutchings on <u>suejhutchings@yahoo.co.uk</u> or mobile 07414894799

Registration form available at <u>www.westpanthers.co.uk</u>





To read carefully, sign and return all the paperwork sent home yesterday. (Year 3 Acceptable Use Policy will be sent today).

**Jon't Forget** 

# Dates for your diary

**September** Wednesday 26th September Tuesday 25th September

Clyst Vale Open Evening World War 1 workshops for Key Stage 2

#### October

Wednesday 10th OctoberFOWS AGMMonday 15th OctoberBikeability Week for Year 6Week commencing 15th October - Parent consultations and open evening for viewing books

Half term: Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October

#### December

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)

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