

# CONTACT

## The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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The early May Day bank holiday was always going to be a bit strange this year having been moved from the Monday to the Friday to celebrate 75 years of VE Day. Who would have thought it was going to be as strange as this though - you couldn't have written it (although I am sure someone will). Hopefully, you can all celebrate in a different way.

### **Helping with Sleep**

Many of us are finding our sleep patterns disrupted for a number of reasons. Please find attached two documents which will help unpick why and some useful suggestions to try and solve them.

### **Captain Wonderweb and the Lockdown**

We were lucky enough to have Captain Wonderweb visit us earlier in the year to help our children stay safe online. They have produced this free video as a reminder for the children to help them stay safe whilst using the internet. The link is below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1Oep8b2LKks>

### **If you want to try something different**

The Galaxy Spy Agency puzzles are two escape room-type activities designed for Year 5 pupils in the UK. You can download both for free!

In Part 1, someone has stolen a top-secret document from the Galaxy Spy Agency, putting all the Secret Agents in danger. You're the only Secret Agent who can crack the 10-digit code to get the document back. You only have one hour to save your colleagues from certain danger. Can you do it? In Part 2, you're investigating three suspects, one of whom was an accomplice to a crime. You must prove which one of them is guilty, but you only have one hour to do it! Can you identify the guilty suspect?

These two escape rooms are bundled together in one 32-page PDF and are free to download. If you enjoy them, please pass them on to others who might also like them!

Topics covered include: perimeter and area, homophones, the solar system, basic math and logic and lots of fun codes to break!

<https://nadiaarbach.com/free/>

## Competition Time - Various



New competition helps children re-imagine the great outdoors

*\*\*'See What I See' asks five to 16-year olds to set their imaginations free and re-think their built environment\*\**

*\*\*Prizes up to £600\*\**

*\*\*Competition launched in partnership with Bath Spa University and the Royal Fine Art Commission Trust\*\**

A new competition for five to 16-year olds has been launched today to help children feel more connected to the outside world during the coronavirus lockdown.

*See What I see*, which has been created by the Royal Fine Art Commission Trust (RFACT) in partnership with Bath Spa University, asks children to think about what they miss most about their built environment, how it might be redesigned to bring people together and which place or building they'll visit first once coronavirus restrictions have been lifted.

The competition activities have been designed for different age groups, each with a monetary prize attached (first prize £600, second prize £300 and third prize £100).

## Greener Devon

DEVON YOUTH PARLIAMENT



LOGO AND POSTER COMPETITION!

Get your creative talents recognised! Your design could be the face of our Climate Campaign-'Greener Devon'

We want YOU to design a logo and/or a poster for our 'Greener Devon' campaign

**For the logo...**  
-Must be a circular design  
-Must include our campaign name, Greener Devon

**For the poster...**  
-We're looking for a poster to raise awareness of the environment and of what a 'Greener Devon' looks like to you

## Judging...

There will be 4 age categories (0-6, 7-11, 12-15, 16-18) and we will pick one winning poster from each one, but only one overall logo winner!

The winners will have their design at the face of the work that we do, as well as receive some environmental goodies and an invite to our Climate Conference

**Please submit your entries to greenerdevon@gmail.com or post on Instagram, Twitter or Facebook with #greenerdevoncomp By May 29th at midnight**

## Campaign to Protect Rural England - Devon

CPRE Devon are supporting teacher's outdoor learning adventures with our 2020 writing competition. This competition will run from 18th May to 30th June 2020 and is open to all children of primary school age, and primary schools in Devon.

We love the countryside, and hope to encourage children to appreciate their local countryside by asking them to draw or paint a visual representation of their local environment or favourite outdoor space. Pupils might like to use part of their school grounds, their local town or village, their garden, a park, playground, green space nearby, or even a school trip destination? What is their favourite thing or place outside?

Prizes will be awarded in 2 age categories - Reception + Key Stages 1 and 2.

We love the countryside, and hope to encourage children to appreciate their local countryside by asking them to think about and tell us why, by completing the sentence on the postcard -

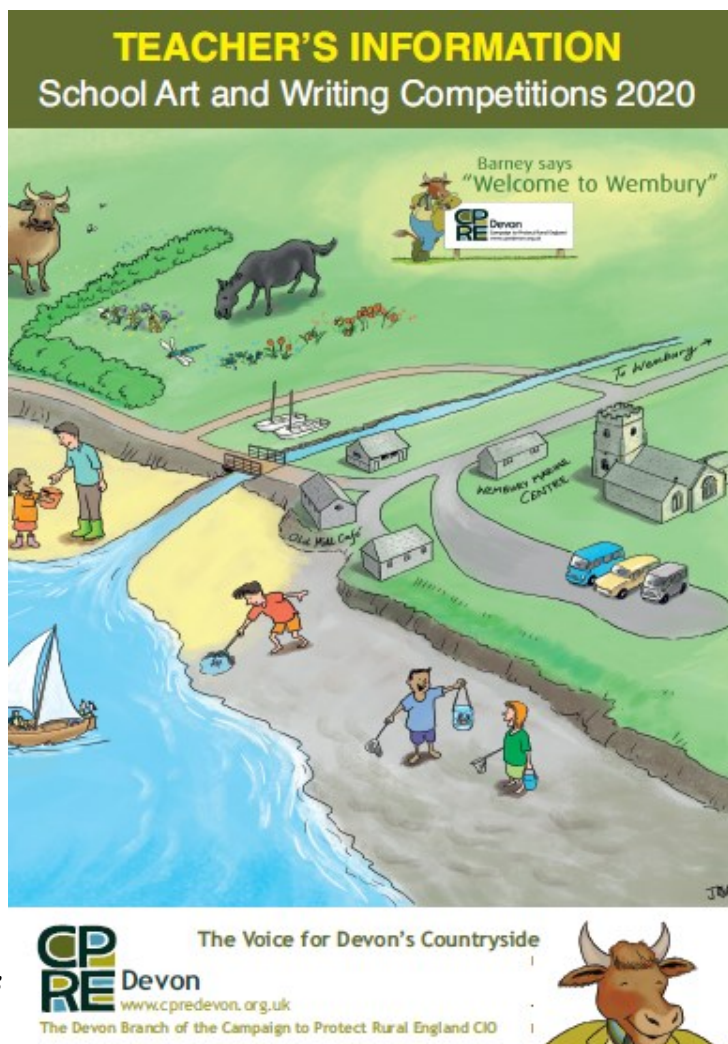
***'I think it's important to protect Devon's countryside because ...'***

Please send your completed entry form below, and article by 30th June 2020, to:

Penny Mills, CPRE Devon, PO Box 26, Beaworthy, DEVON EX21 5XN

Telephone: 01392 966737 email: [info@cpredevon.org.uk](mailto:info@cpredevon.org.uk)

For more details see leaflets attached to email.



## Increasing Your Skills for Free - More Than 100 Free Courses

More than 100 free online courses developed by [Learn Devon](https://www.learn-devon.co.uk) as part of Devon County Council's response to the coronavirus pandemic are available from Friday 1 May.

The online courses cover three main subject areas - employability, wellbeing and digital skills. [Learn Devon](https://www.learn-devon.co.uk) provides adult and community learning courses on behalf of Devon County Council. The registered training provider has devised the new online learning courses to support people who may have been made redundant or are currently seeking work.

There are also online courses that have been designed for vulnerable people currently self-isolating, volunteers supporting Devon County Council during the pandemic, as well as local businesses.

This is the initial phase of new courses to be launched as part of Learn Devon's response to help those most affected by the coronavirus outbreak, whether the impact is economic, social or affecting wellbeing and mental health.

<https://www.learn-devon.co.uk/>

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