

# CONTACT

## The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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So, we have said goodbye to September and welcome October. A few brief updates and information this week.

### **Bikeability—week commencing 11th October**

Our Year 6 children are having cycling lessons in order to help them to develop their road skills and to support them to ride safely and considerately. These children will need to bring their bikes to school all week.

Please can we ask that all other children DO NOT bring bikes or scooters to school that week so we have enough space to store all the bicycles safely.

### **Safeguarding Team**



Mrs C Shilston



Miss H Clarke



Miss Z Norton

Designated Safeguarding Officer

Deputy Safeguarding Officers

We endeavour to provide a safe and welcoming environment where children are respected and valued. We are alert to the signs of abuse and neglect and follow our procedures to ensure that children receive effective support, protection and justice.

If you have any safeguarding concerns or you are worried about a child, please speak to one of them directly, by phone on 01404 822584, or contact them via the school's email address. [admin@whimble-primary.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whimble-primary.devon.sch.uk)

If your concerns are urgent or out of school hours call the Devon Safeguarding Hub: 0345 155 1071  
Out of hours please call (Devon) 0845 6000 388

Or email [mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:mashsecure@devon.gcsx.gov.uk)

## Parent Consultations

This will be an opportunity to speak with your child's class teacher to discuss how your child is settling in and progressing with their learning. Appointments will be bookable online via the ESchools App and login details with information will be sent out next week.

More details in next weeks newsletter - just mark the dates in your diary's.

## HANDi Paediatric Health App

We have had the HANDi paediatric app in Devon for a number of years, and it's linked to paediatric services, pathways and advice in all four of our acute hospitals in Devon.

Not sure what to do when your child is unwell? Download the free [HANDi Paediatric app](#), which is available right across Devon, and get expert advice when you need it. Search for 'HANDi app' on Apple or Android.

**A series of short films are also available on You Tube:**

Louise - <https://youtu.be/pqBZURcyC0A>

Matt - <https://youtu.be/tukY-LFU8yo>

Jane - <https://youtu.be/Okz4BV2K2eA>

Tom - <https://youtu.be/U2FBi7cF3y4>

Gemma - [https://youtu.be/U\\_6NSFOi8qM](https://youtu.be/U_6NSFOi8qM)

Alex - <https://youtu.be/u79-HxqgqnM>

## Christmas Cards

It's the first day of October and so, obviously, we're all now thinking about Christmas. No? Well, it's that time of year when your lovely PTA invites you to join us in getting one job ticked off your to do list. Yesterday, your children were given a template each to design their own Christmas card. They can use felt tip pens, coloured pencils, crayons, paints or even collages to complete their design, just avoid glitter and fluorescent pens as they won't reproduce well on the final card. There are only a few days for your children to complete their design and return the templates to school, as we need to collect all designs by the end of **next Wednesday (6<sup>th</sup> October)**, but why not make the most of the forecast rainy day tomorrow and encourage your children to get creative?



It may help if your children hand over their design to an adult on duty at school in the morning to ensure it makes it to the office in good condition. Shortly after the artwork has been sent off, you will receive a sample Christmas card and a form allowing you to order Christmas cards, gift tags, Christmas mugs, tea towels and bags for life. This is a great, fun way to raise some money for our lovely school and be ultra-organised for Christmas.

If you have any questions, please contact Sara Jones (07973 130906).

# Dates for your diary

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|------------------------------------|---|
| Week commencing 11th October       | Year 6 Bikeability                                  |
| Monday 18th October                | PTA AGM 7.30pm Thirsty Farmer                       |
| Week commencing 18th October       | Parent Consultations                                |
| Monday 18th October                | Willow Parent Consultations                         |
| Tuesday 19th October               | Beech, Oak Ash, Elm and Willow Parent Consultations |
| Wednesday 20th October             | Ash Parent Consultations                            |
| Monday 25th to Friday 29th October | Half Term   |
| Monday 1st November                | Non-Pupil Day                                       |
| Friday 19th November               | Flu Vaccinations                                    |
| Tuesday 23rd November              | Individual Photographs                              |

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