

# The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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Welcome to this weeks edition of Contact. Things have calmed down a little (but not much).

We look forward to seeing you all on Saturday at the summer fair, it looks like the weather is going to be favourable.



## School photos

Hopefully, you will have all seen your child's class photo sent via email last Friday. Order forms and money need to be completed and sent to the school office by Friday 29th June. Don't forget to place both the form and money in a named envelope.

## Lost Property

We seem to have a lot of lost property around the school, including wellington boots left stranded by doorways. Please can you encourage your child to take their things home as we just don't have the space to store all the extras.





## Writing Competition

Entry into this competition has now closed; over 100 children have submitted their stories. This is brilliant, thank you for your encouragement. Teachers now have the envious job of reading and marking them against a given set of criteria in order to shortlist them (which may take a while), before making a final decision on the winners.

## Talent Contest

All the children involved have been provided an opportunity to have a little practise in the hall over the past week or so. There is a wide range of talent out there! A provisional date of Tuesday 17th July has been placed in the diary, with parents invited to watch at 3pm and also have a vote.

#### **Beech Trip to Killerton**

During their trip to Killerton on Tuesday 12th June, all the pupils of Beech Class explored the features of the hillfort that can be found behind the main house. At the start of the day we met our historical guide, David Weatherly, and carried out some important map-work. We studied the map and then matched the names on it to the places on an aerial photo.

After that we walked to the very top of the hillfort in order to achieve a 'sense of place' and imagined what we could have seen and heard there over 2,000 years ago. Making decorative 'silver' coins and then burying them in the ground came next. Why did we do that? Well, it seems that the people of the Iron-Age did this as an offering to the gods to try to then receive good fortune.





We also made jewellery out of twine and pieces of elder before learning about how we could trade our possessions for other valuable resources, including grain, wood or iron ore.

Finally, after having a brief break for lunch, we spent time designing a shield, using colours from plants or natural items, and then found out that highly decorated weapons were also offered to the gods, by being thrown into lakes or rivers, in exchange for good health or good fortune in a battle.

It was a really interesting and 'hands-on' day of learning for us all and all the children had a great time.



#### Year 4 Sleepover

All the Year 4 children participated in a sleepover at the village hall last Friday. The evening started with the children setting up their beds on the floor and organising their belongings. Then they headed over to the Parish Field to play some games, followed by cooking marshmallows and drinking hot chocolate at our Forest School. On returning to the hall, everyone watched a film before settling down for some sleep.





A big thank you to Miss Clarke, Mrs Wall and Mrs Boyd for organising this event and giving up their free time.

#### World Cup Cricket

47 children enjoyed watching New Zealand versus South Africa women in the T20 World Cup at Somerset County Cricket Club in Taunton. A great competitive game was enjoyed with New Zealand taking the glory.

Thank you to Mr Brown, Miss Clarke, Mrs Vanstone and Mr Sibley for giving up their time after school to take them.



The May Cake Sale and Sports Day teas made a whopping £290! So thank you to everyone that baked and ate. We really appreciate all your support, especially this time of year when I know a lot is going on.

With regards to tomorrows Summer Fayre, whether you are helping out or not, most importantly we want you to attend with your family and friends, it really is a great afternoon out, which the children especially enjoy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Donna Woolston and Melissa Ironside for all their incredible hard work in putting this event on, and thanks also to Katy Hill for organising some amazing prizes for the raffle......hope to see you all there.

Brave the Shave We will have a collection box / sponsorship form on the day or donations can be made via https://bravetheshave.macmillan.org.uk/shavers/freya-bayley

## Whimple Primary School Summer Fayre Raffle Prizes

Here is a selection of fantastic raffle prizes on offer at the summer <u>fayre</u> on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018 at 1.30pm

£20 Gift voucher for The Thirsty Farmer

1x Free bounce at iBounce Exeter

2x Bottles of Ale from The Cranberry Farm pub

Free MOT from Moorview Motors

Free 1/2 hr PT session at the Oliver Joseph Gym

Free Cut and Blow Dry at Halos' Hair salon

Coffee & cake for 2 people at Cafe@143 in Cranbrook

2x Free entry into The Bear Trails at Cullompton

Free 30 min Hot Stone or Sports Massage from East Devon Sports Massage

Gift wrapped Plant courtesy of Otter Nurseries Garden Centre

2x Free Climbs at Clip n Climb Exeter

2x Match Tickets for Exeter Chiefs Game

Saddles and Paddles voucher for free activity

2x Adult entry tickets to Woodlands

**Tobogganing voucher for Plymouth Ski & Snowboard Centre** 

4x Free admission tickets to Pecorama

4x Free admission tickets to Pennywell Farm

£15 Trago Mills voucher

Other events:





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#### New dates added in bold.

#### June

Saturday 23rd June	Summer Fair - 1.30pm start
Monday 25th June	Street Dance workshop - Beech Class
Tuesday 26th June	Oak class trip to Paignton Zoo
Friday 29th June	Year 6 trip to Crealy
July	
Monday 2nd July	Non-Pupil Day
Tuesday 3rd July	Year 6 Life Skills
Tuesday 3rd July	Arts Project Launch at Killerton 5.30pm
Wednesday 4th - 6th	Clyst Vale transition days
Thursday 5th July	Transition morning
Monday 9th - 13th	Kings School transition week
Thursday 12th July	Orchestra/Soloists Assembly 2.30pm
Tuesday 17th July	Talent Show Final 3pm
Thursday 19th July	Music assembly - choir/recorders/guitars 2.30pm
Thursday 26th July	Leavers Assembly and party at the Cricket Club

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