

The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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Happy Christmas and New Year



This is the final newsletter for 2017 (where did that year go?) It has been great to see so many of you at the recent Christmas events and we really hoped you enjoyed them as much as we did.

I hope you all have a restful break - take the time to enjoy a good story or game with your children and we will see you all nice and refreshed on Thursday 4th January.

Christmas Fayre

It was great to see all the children enjoying themselves at the Christmas fayre. From the joy of opening their gift from Father Christmas to everyone lovingly purchasing cuddly toys to take home, it was wonderful to witness.

A huge thank you to all the adults that made this possible, especially Charlotte Woollam and George Bayley.



Craft Fair

The craft fair held back in November was also a great success and raised over £500.

Fantastic! A big thank you to Gaby Sweet and Cathy Culshaw for organising this fabulous event.

Carol Service

It was lovely to see so many people in the church on Monday for our Carol Service. The year 6 children read their pieces magnificently and both the choir and recorders saved their best performances to last. It certainly put us all in the Christmas spirit for the week.

Thank you to Emma Palmer for organising the choir and recorder players, Rev. Chris Martin for his Christmas poem and to Rosemary Allen for playing both the organ and piano.



The Christmas Tree Nativity

What a magical sight watching the younger children of the school perform their nativity. It was a lovely way to end of the term.

Well done to everyone involved, especially Miss Norton, Mrs Terrett and many of our teaching assistants. Also, thank you to Rosemary Allen for her hours of patience during our practises and playing the piano at both performances.





Finally, thank you for attending and providing an audience to perform to!

Christmas Film Night - Wednesday 20th December

Film starts 6 pm door open 5.30 pm

Admission with voucher available from Whimple stores

£4.50 per child includes hot dog and squash (please email walkersam66@gmail.com if you want a veggie sausage)

Accompanying adults free.

Fancy dress optional but a prize for the best dressed 'ELF'.

All profits to Mya and Dulcie's fundraising for their Tanzania Expedition.

Presents and Cards

All staff would like to say thank you for all their cards and gifts. They were lovely and very appreciated. Thank you. We wish you all a happy holiday.



Way with Words

Hopefully, you have seen the recent edition of our writing booklet, it has a green cover this time. Please take the time to read the selection of fantastic writing in a range of genres - enjoy. Well done to those children who had their writing selected this time. If yours was not included, keep trying another edition will be published at the end of next term.

Some useful Christmas advice/tips:

https://childmind.org/article/10-tips-raising-grateful-kids

https://www.understood.org/en/family/events-outings/family-gatherings/at-a-glance-common-trouble-spots-for-kids-with-learning-and-attention-issues-at-family-gatherings

http://www.ahaparenting.com/blog/Take_care_of_yourself_emotionally

Looking for Love at ToysRus

http://www.ahaparenting.com/BlogRetrieve.aspx?
PostID=469890&A=SearchResult&SearchID=10843889&ObjectID=469890&ObjectType=55

Things to see and do:







Book online wildeastdevon.co.uk or call 01395 517557

Dates for your diary

Friday 15th December – School finishes at 1.30 pm

Start of Spring term Thursday 4th January 2018

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