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The Newsletter for Whimble Primary School

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This is the final weekly newsletter for this school year. What a strange one it has been! All the staff would like to say a big thank for the gifts we have all received, the sugar content has kept us going!

It is that time of year where we have to say many goodbyes: Firstly, our fabulous Year 6 children who we have luckily had in school for the past half-term. We wish them all the best in their next steps both in education and life—they have been a very proactive year group and I am sure they will all go far.

We also say a huge goodbye to Mrs Terrett who has been involved in the school for many years, firstly as a parent, then as a teaching assistant and more recently a class teacher for Elm. We wish her well in her new venture, Woodlands -Teacher Led Childcare. I am sure it will be a great success.

Mr James Terrett is also standing down as parent governor after 14 years - he has been a valuable asset to the team and will be great missed. Also, Mrs Cathy Culshaw is finishing as Clerk to the governors, again a big thank you for all your hard work and support over the past few years.

In September, we will welcome Mrs Emma Orchard, as part time teacher in Elm, and Mrs Claire Ashby, as part time administrator in the office.

Throughout August, there are a number of building projects taking place here at school and I keep my finger crossed that they will be completed prior to September.



Finally, I hope you all have a good summer break and manage to visit a few people and places you haven't been able to recently. Take good care of yourselves and we will see you in September.

Important Information for September

As you are aware Government guidance with regards Coronavirus is continually being updated. Schools have been given information to help support full reopening in September.

A new risk assessment linked to this has to be completed and submitted prior to September. This will also be available to parents.

The main points for your information are detailed below and these will hopefully help you plan appropriately for school in September.

- Parents will be able to drop children off between 8.45 and 9am. This will follow the current system where children will leave their parent in the upper playground and go straight into class.
- Collection time for children in Ash and Elm Classes (reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children) will be 3.20pm to 3.30pm.
- Collection time for children in Oak, Beech and Willow Classes (Year 3 to 6) will be 3.30pm.
- Where possible children in Year 5 and 6 will be encouraged to walk to and from home to reduce the number of adults needed for collection.

More detailed information will be sent out prior to children returning on September 7th.

This is a link to What parents and carers need to know about schools in the autumn term:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>

Think U Know - Online Safety Advice for Parents and Children

Activity packs for parents and carers to help deliver and support online safety to their children :

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/>

Sections for 4-5s, 5-7s, 8-10s, 11-13s and 14+.

There is a selection of short videos to support parents understanding of key topics.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/presentations-for-parents/>

This site is well worth a look.



Daily Summer Challenges for the Mathematically Minded

We have a challenge a day for your students throughout their summer break...

Each weekday from 20 July to 28 August, we will be publishing a new poster problem for primary students <http://nrich.maths.org/summer-primary-posters> and secondary students <http://nrich.maths.org/summer-secondary-posters>.

Each poster problem has a published solution which students can look at, and if they particularly enjoy one of the challenges and would like to explore further, they can follow the link to the original problem on which the poster is based.





WHIMPLE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Starting this September 2020

We will be open from 3.30pm until 5.15pm Monday to Friday term time at Whimple Primary School.

For children from Reception up to year 6, places are limited so if you are interested please email Sarah at whimpleafterschoolclub@gmail.com

Tel 07854017113

Lots of fun games
and activities to
enjoy with friends.

Arts and crafts
puzzles and stories

Healthy fruit for
snack time.

Outside play

Fees

3.30PM – 4.30PM £5.00

3.30PM – 5.15PM £9.00

Prices include a snack
and a drink.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 21st July

End of term - finish time stays the same for each year group with the last pick up at 3.30pm.

AUTUMN TERM 2020

7th September to 18th December 2020

Half term - 26th to 30th October 2020

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