

# NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2022

## Whimble Primary School

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Between the wind and the rain it has definitely been a week of interesting weather. Despite this, the children have managed to get outside at least once each day, however, it is really important that they have a waterproof coat with them in school (yes, even this week there have been children without them!).

### School Photos

Despite dodging the showers on Tuesday morning, all children in school had their photograph taken and then brought home, a number of proofs to select from. Details of how to order were on the form and have to be ordered directly with Tempest. Please check the forms for the deadlines. School receives a small contribution from the sales of these photographs.



### Christmas Tree at Killerton

We were privileged to be asked again this year, to decorate a Christmas tree in the chapel at Killerton. The theme was nature, so the children have made a selection of decorations and tinsel using natural materials like twigs, leaves and pine cones.

Killerton is open to visitors this Christmas from 26th November and the house will also be decorated. Go along and see our lovely tree!

### Bags2School

Whimble Primary PTA are having another bags to schools clothes collection on 6th December. If you're having a pre Christmas clear out we're in need of good quality clothes for donation please. Please leave donations at the Thirsty Farmer car park to the right hand side of the shelter before 9am.

### BAG 2 SCHOOL

FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



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Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is FSC accredited, please recycle it.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

**We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:**

**Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.**

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

**The more we weigh the more we pay!**  
Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit

## Whimble PTA

**Whimble School Christmas Fayre** is on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December** in the afternoon during school hours. Parents of reception children are invited to attend with their children at 3pm please come direct to the village hall. This year we are delighted that all parents can come in at 3.30 pick-up time; bring your purses as there will be bargains! Children will need to bring a maximum of £3 with them to school on the 9<sup>th</sup> (most stalls are a maximum of 20p). Please also send your children with at least one bag more if they are keen shoppers!



We are still looking for the following for the Fayre:

- **Small sweets** - maybe you have some left from Halloween
- **Prizes for lucky dip** - maybe you have things left from party bags or other small toys
- **Gifts for parents** - items in good condition or unused gifts that children can buy for grown-ups. We are particularly short of things of parents gifts at the moment in particular gifts for men.
- **Soft Toys** - Clean and safe soft toys for the toy tombola. We currently have about 90 but need at least 40 more so keep them coming!
- **Toys and books** - clean and safe for the bric-a-brac stall. Items that you would like your child to come home with. School age only NO PRE SCHOOL. We are particularly short of things for year 6 at the moment but please do bring things for any year that you have.
- **Spare bags** for children to put items in.
- **Spare wrapping paper.**
- **Seasonal cakes/ biscuits** on the day. Please let the class reps for Beech Katy Hill and Becky Steadman know if you are able to bake or buy! We have some children in the school with allergies so **no nuts** please in any bakes. We also need some volunteers to bake gluten free and cakes suitable for vegan/ vegetarian diets.

Whimble School PTA have organised a '**raffle**' to support the Christmas fair on Friday the 9th December. There are some wonderful prizes donated by local businesses including vouchers for food, shopping, well-being and a family photo-shoot, tickets for Panto and woodlands, hampers and lots more!!!

Prizes have been donated by amazing local businesses including:

Whimble Stores, Sarah Jaynes Hairdresser, Oliver Joseph Fitness, Revive, Courtneys, Dilly's Florist, Temple Spa, Nova Wedding Photography, Woodlands tickets, Tropic Skincare, Cotley Farm, Dilly's Florists, Oggy Oggy Pasties, Planet Sal, Pipers Farm, The Jack in the Green, Combe Garden Centre, Exeter Corn Exchange and Natural Well-Being. As well as other lovely donations from parents.

The Raffle will be drawn after the Christmas fair.

There are three ways to buy tickets (£1 a ticket)

- Face to face at drop off and pick up from Katherine Pankiewicz or Amanda Denton using cash
- Bacs payment to Whimble Primary School PTFA Lloyds bank Sort Code 30-94-36 Account number 01582240

Please put the ref as 'raffle followed by your surname'. Then use messenger to contact Katherine Pankiewicz or Amanda Denton with your name, how many tickets you want and your telephone number. We will then message you your numbers!

Please do support the PTA and good luck!!

# Dates for your diary

## December

Wednesday 7th	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 8th	KS2 Carol Service 6pm in the church
Friday 9th	Christmas Fayre
Wednesday 14th	KS1 Christmas Nativity 4.30pm in the church
Friday 16th	Last day 1.30pm finish

## Assessment arrangements for summer 2023

Month of May	Key Stage 1 SATs (Year 2)
Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th May	Key Stage 2 SATs
Week commencing 5th June	Multiplication tables check (Year 4)
Week commencing 12th June	Phonics Screening Check (Year 1/Year 2)

## Term dates for pupils - 2022/23:

### AUTUMN TERM 2022

**5<sup>th</sup> September to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022**

### SPRING TERM 2023

**4<sup>th</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023**  
*Half term - 13<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023*

### SUMMER TERM 2024

**17<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023**  
*May Day holiday - 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023*  
*Half term - 29<sup>th</sup> May to 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023*

*Non-pupil days (i.e. staff only): 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023*

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