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The Newsletter for Whimple Primary School

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Introducing Our Mealtime Assistants

We have many Mealtime Assistants, (although we are looking for more), who help support our children at lunchtime, both in the hall having lunch and in the playground promoting positive play activities.



Mrs T Cornish



Mrs L Earnshaw



Mrs H Jaggs



Mrs R Lenzi



Mrs S Northcott



Mrs C Rowe

Mrs R Stephenson - no photo available.

We also are lucky to have an apprentice with us for the year who is studying sport and sport education so he is supporting physical education across the school, including lunchtime activities. He is called Mr Wakefield.

In November—look out for our school governors.



Thank you, thank you, thank you

After writing some general niggles in last weeks Contact I am pleased to see less adults in the lower playground in the morning, we have had less errors with ordering dinners and if children are unwell and not in school we are being notified, so thank you very much for your assistance in these matters.

I have also had several people volunteer to cut up some apples - we just need to collect some now!



Parents Evenings

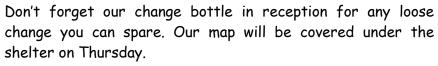
Hopefully you all have been given appointments to come and see class teachers next week. All consultations will take place in the main building. It would be really helpful if initially you could wait under the shelter in the top playground, whilst children get changed for clubs; once they have moved to the hall, feel free to wait in the library. We have decided to hold a separate session(s) for viewing children's books and displays around the school at the beginning of next half-term.

If your appointment is in school hours please come to the office to sign in and you will be collected from reception.



Sponsored Travel

We will be heading to the Parish Field on the morning of Thursday 19th to have our relay of 200,000m (200km) which is approximately a tenth of the distance the hurricane travelled over 5 days.

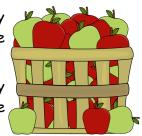




Apple Week

The younger children in the school will be involved in apple pressing on Thursday 19th and the juice produced, (after they have had a little taste), will be available after school for a small donation.

On Friday 20th, we will be heading over to The Orchard to collect as many apples as we can—please bring a bucket and come and join us if you can. The more the merrier! Starting approximately 9.30a.m.



Mrs Jessop's Thank You Events

A provisional date of Tuesday 31st October has been arranged for the children to perform pieces in a special assembly, followed by a tea party for parents and other people to attend.

NSPCC



The children listened very carefully in the assembly and learnt that as children they have rights and what people, including the NSPCC helpline, can help the with their worries so they do not have to carry them around with them. Hopefully, your children have come home and discussed this with you. Ask them about 'Buddy'.

As we are fundraising for Shelterbox next week, we have decided to postpone the workouts until February when we will try and raise some money for the NSPCC to help maintain their helpline.

Bikeability

Our Year 6 children have been undertaking the bike training this week. Bikeability gives everyone the skills and confidence for all kinds of cycling. It's about gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle on today's roads.

Bikeability is government-recognised, practical and professional training, and it has been identified that cyclists are more skilled and more confident once they have taken part.

Taking part in Bikeability means that you'll be getting ready to enjoy all the benefits of cycling - quicker and low cost journeys, fun rides you can make with friends and family, and less time wasted in the car, or waiting for a lift.

Well done to all of them.





Events:

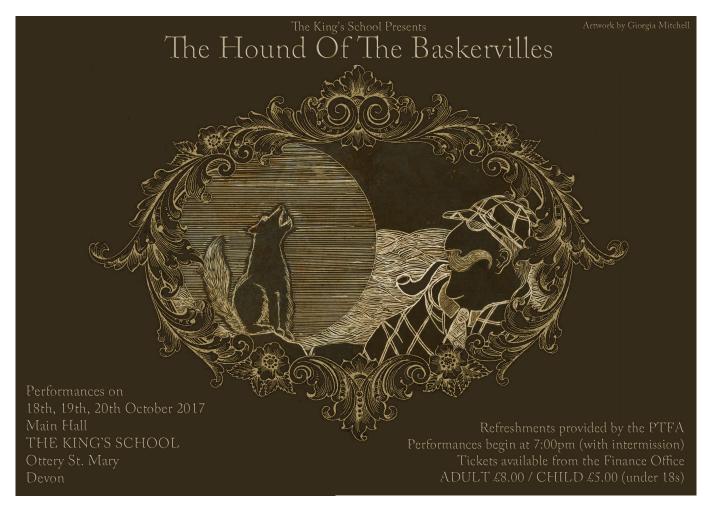
Cake Sale, Fri 20th October, 3.30pm, in the top and bottom playgrounds.

Halloween Disco, Fri 20th October, 5.30-7.30, Village Hall, £2 per child

Craft Fair, Saturday 11th November, 1.00-4.00pm, Village Hall (see poster on next page)

IN SUPPORT OF WHIMPLE PRIMARY SCHOOL WIMPLE CRRGI CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS CHRISTMAS GIFTS CRAFT DEMONSTRATIONS TEAS AND CAKES Ipm -4-pm Saturday 11th November 201 Contact: Cathy Culshaw - 077895

Other things to see and do:



'The King's School presents The Hound of the Baskervilles an original adaptation of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's book. A local tale of suspense and drama set on Dartmoor, brought to you through physical theatre by pupils from year 7-13. There will be live music, excellent entertainment and the PTFA are providing refreshments. Expect a few surprises along the way'.

If you would like to purchase tickets please contact our finance office on 01404 812982 or alternatively come to reception.



Sportshall Event

Running – Jumping – Throwing Games and Co-ordination FUN!

Our events are fun, exciting and successfully introduces children to a variety of athletic disciplines.

Light up glitter shot puts, turbo javelins, and speed bounce are all proven very engaging. We coach in small groups which ensures everybody feels comfortable joining in and we encourage as much cheering as they can manage.

Sunday 19th November 2017 The Riverside, Exeter EX4 1AF 10.00am – 11.30am Ages 4-11yrs

Early Bird Booking Discount if booked before 31st October 2017: £6 Per Child Non Member, £5 Per Child Member Usual Rate: £7 Per child Non Member and £6 Per child Member £8 on the door

Register online: www.sw-athletics-academy.co.uk

Or call 07745 616852 for further information

Dates for your diary

Week commencing October 16th Parents' evenings

Elm class Monday and Tuesday
Ash class Monday and Thursday
Oak class Monday and Tuesday

Beech class Tuesday

Willow class Tuesday and Wednesday

October 18th Apple chopping 2.30-3.30pm

October 19th Sponsored travel
October 19th Apple Pressing

October 20th Apple Pick at the Orchard from 9.30a.m. onwards - all welcome to join us.

Half term - Monday 23rd - Friday 27th October

Week commencing October 30th Open evenings to view pupils books and school displays

November 15th Theatre Alibi visit 'Apple John'

December 11th Carol Service at the church by Key Stage 2

December 13th

Nativity by Ash and Elm class

December 14th

Nativity by Ash and Elm class

Friday 15th December – School finishes at 1.30 pm

More dates will be added. Whilst we try and give as much notice as possible we occasionally get last minute opportunities which are too good to miss!

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